

Greetings City Group,

This semester has been a fantastic season for our City Groups! We have seen a weekly average of 399 people faithfully attend and participate in groups. God has been at work in the body of our church and I believe that visible fruit of this is seen in City Groups. This October, we saw 32 people take the next step of obedience and be baptized on Baptism Sunday! Of those 32, 18 were baptized by their City Group leaders!

As we continue on in 2022 I wanted to take a moment to focus on our goals for City Groups. These are things that we want to pursue both personally and together in light of what scripture calls us to do as Christians; and through much prayer and diligence we seek to accomplish these goals through our City Groups.

1. That our groups would be life giving, which would push us to grow spiritually and mature in Christ.
2. That we would disciple and encourage others.
3. That we would grow and multiply.
4. That we would bring Glory to God.

The Christian community that City Groups provide is essential to our growth as believers. Because of this we want to continue to invite and grow in this community; and part of this growth looks like City Group multiplication. We are continually seeking to start groups and create opportunities for new believers to find community, and here at City Church that looks like identifying new City Group leaders and sending them along with 3-5 people to start a new group. While this can be a difficult transition, we believe that the Great Commission is our mission and making disciples is at the heart of what we do. I would love to encourage each of you over the next month to prayerfully consider what City Group multiplication would look like for you. You can participate in advancing the gospel through City Group multiplication in many ways: serving as a group leader, hosting a new group in your home, being a part of a new group planting team...or just being dedicated to praying for our new groups! As of right now we have 45 City Groups that are faithfully meeting and growing, and we have a goal of seeing our Groups Ministry grow to 60 groups by the Spring of 2023. While this may seem like a steep climb we believe that God is at work in our ministry and are excited about how many lives we can impact as we grow the number of available groups.

Once again I would like to thank you for your dedication to our City Group ministry. I am continually encouraged to hear about the amazing work that God is doing through each of you in City Groups. I am praying for your group weekly, and would love to serve and support you in any way I can.

All the best,

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