

NOW CHURCH



Life Group Leaders Guide

My Community Leader Information

Community Leader:

Contact Info:

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What are my Next Steps?

If you want to become a Life Group leader, please fill out the required forms at your earliest convenience.

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Once you have completed the forms, our Life Groups staff will reach out to you about officially registering your NOW Life Group.



Heroes of Our Mission

We are thrilled to welcome you to the NOW Life Coaching team at NOW Church! Your decision to step up and lead the charge as a Life Coach fills us with tremendous joy and gratitude.

At NOW Church, we believe in the power of transformation and growth. Our Life Groups are the heart and soul of our community, providing a space for individuals to connect, learn, and flourish together. Your role as a Life Coach is pivotal to the future and success of NOW Church, as you embark on a journey of guiding, inspiring, and supporting our members in their pursuit of personal and spiritual development.

As you embark on this rewarding journey, please know that you are not alone. The NOW Life Coaching team is a supportive and collaborative network, eager to share insights, resources, and encouragement to help you thrive in your role. Together, we will create a ripple effect of transformation that resonates far beyond the walls of our church.

Once again, welcome to the NOW Life Coaching team! Your commitment is a testament to your passion for helping others and your belief in the potential of NOW Church. We cannot wait to see the incredible transformations that will unfold under your guidance.

With heartfelt excitement,
pastor JAVEN phiL1:6
NOW Church

Our focus

We leverage the power of trusted relationships to help people step into their God-given calling. We do this through three primary ways: developing leaders, connecting people, and resourcing communities.

Develop Leaders

We identify, train, and develop passionate and capable leaders.

through NOW Life Groups and Mentoring relationships.

Connect People

It's impossible for a person to grow without trusted relationships, so we champion the cause of community

Resource Communities

We provide people the opportunity to play a part in life changing stories by serving with Local Mission Partners.

Why Life Groups

- Start a new, on-going Now Life Group
- Form a Life Group from existing relationships.
- Start a short-term Now Life Group.
- Form mentoring relationships.

Great Leaders **SHARE**

Step into the game.

You learn best in the game. That starts by simply choosing to show up and be open to learning.

Have a plan.

Starting a NOW Life Group will present challenges along the way. So, start by creating a plan, we provide resources in this guide, keep reading.

Ask people you know first.

Your community should start with the people you know. Then, invite others to join in.

Relate to people.

Relationships happen when people feel needed and known. Relate to people in this way and lives will be changed forever.

Enjoy getting connected.

It's so much easier to be a leader when you share a connection with other leaders.

Live and Model Our Beliefs

As a leader you'll be engaging in conversations about a wide range of topics. We want to make sure you are equipped to teach, lead, and live in alignment with the beliefs of NOW Church. We do not want to put anyone in a position where they must provide guidance on something they don't agree with.

NOW Life Group Leaders agree to:

- Understand and affirm What We Believe at NOW Church
- Put God first in their finances, pursuing the tithe. (Genesis 28:20-22, Acts 2:42-47, 2 Corinthians 9:6-9)
- Avoid viewing pornography (Matthew 5:28)
- Stay away from excessive alcohol and drug use. (Ephesians 5:18, Galatians 5:19-21)
- Use their speech to uplift and edify those around them. (Matthew 15:11, Ephesians 4:29, Titus 2:7-8)
- Use social media responsibly (Matthew 18:6, Hebrews 13:18)

Group Communication Tips

Use a group communication app

The best way to communicate with everyone in your group is by communicating with everyone at the same time! There are several different apps available, just find the one that works best for your group! Suggestions: GroupMe, Slack, Facebook group, etc.

Use Plans with Friends

Keep your group communicating throughout the week by doing Bible Plans together in the YouVersion Bible App! This is a great way to grow and learn together!

Fill your Life Group

Start with your friends at church

Who do you connect with? Ask the people you attend with or serve with.

Look at your neighborhood

Your Life Group doesn't have to consist of people solely from our church. Are there people you live around who need healthy relationships?

Connect extra-curricular activities

Invite the parents of your kids' friends from sports and other activities. Are you in any activities? Invite them too!

Don't forget social media

You may be forgetting about someone who's looking for a group just like yours. And you never know who is searching for the community your group can provide. Advertise your group on your social media platforms.

Join the Growth Track Team

Every month, our Growth Track Team helps connect people to their spiritual next step, whether it's someone who has just raised their hand to accept Christ, someone ready to start serving, or someone looking for a Life Group. Not only will you get to help answer questions and invest in people spiritually, but you can also use the opportunity to invite people to your Life Group.

A Few Best Practices

Maintain a vibrant connection with Christ!

The best way to lead others is allowing the Holy Spirit of God to lead you; the deeper your connection with Christ, the stronger your connection and leadership with the people in your group.

Create transparent relationships!

Relationship is the foundation for great leadership. When we're transparent with people, we increase the ability to speak into their lives.

Share your vision and expectations

Your vision reminds people that their Life Group isn't a program; it's a lifestyle that will have a significant impact on their lives. In addition, what commitment do you desire from your group?

Have a plan

Always be aware of the direction of your group and lead them according to God's leading in you. In addition, take an adequate amount of time before meetings to prepare, pray, etc.

Never cancel your group

Even if you know no one will be at group, don't "cancel." This devalues the importance of the group. In addition, when you're out of town, ensure someone steps up to lead.

Leader Resources

Everything you need is right here!

nowchurchfl.com/lifegroup

You'll want to bookmark this site!

Visit

[Youtube.com/nowchurchfl](https://www.youtube.com/nowchurchfl)

Find content to help you grow your faith, expand your leadership, and encourage others.

Talk It Over

Find questions to talk about in Pastor JAVEN's most recent messages with your Life Group at: www.youtube.com/javenonline

Leader Texts

Opt in to get leader tips sent straight to your phone! Text NOWLEADERS to 77222 to get started.



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