

CLEARVIEW COMMUNITIES: THE VISION

WHAT'S OUR END GOAL?

Clearview Communities/Small Groups exists for the care, discipleship, and multiplication of disciples.

We exist to see people become fully devoted followers of Jesus. We believe that an essential component of becoming a fully devoted follower of Jesus is involvement in community. Christianity is constitutively communal. We're called to follow Jesus individually and in community because how we relate to one another is as important as how we relate to Godⁱ. Community is God's 'school of love'ⁱⁱⁱ where we become spiritually formed, learning to become more like Jesus as we worship, fellowship, serve each other, and serve our world; all things we cannot do alone.

COMMUNITY LEADER: THE VISION

A Community/Small Group Leader is someone who serves and models the life of a disciple of Jesus, to care for, disciple, and multiply other disciples of Jesus.

"The only real thing you have to offer is your transforming self."

These leaders:

- 01 Use their gifts to care for their brothers and sisters as an overflow of their personal discipleship to Jesus.*
- 02 Facilitate intentional and relational, regular gatherings.*
- 03 They prayerfully implement strategy to multiply and reach others.*

OUR VALUES

WHAT ARE THE VALUES THAT CATALYZE OUR VISION?

- 01 Humble** We practice authentic and vulnerable leadership. We're followers, learners, and servants of Jesus. (1 Jn. 1:8; Jm. 5:6; Eph. 4:12; 2 Cor.12:9)
- 02 Hospitable** We practice *radically ordinary hospitality*. (Acts. 4:32; Lk. 16:19-31)
- 03 Pastoral** We love as Christ did; the whole person, with dignity, with patience, wisdom, and in sacrificial service. (Gal. 6:1-2; Jn. 15:13)
- 04 Spirit-Filled** We implement intentional, biblical, strategies that come from prayer, in communion and infilling of the Spirit (Lk 6:12; Lk. 24:49; Jn. 14:29)
- 05 Multiplication** We think about the 'next wise step' for our group members and coach them to them to grow. We are disciples who make disciples. (Mt. 28:16-20)

OUR RHYTHMS WHAT KEEPS US ANCHORED?

01 The Practices

Sabbath, Prayer, Fasting, Solitude, Scripture, Community, Simplicity, Generosity, Hospitality

> Make a plan to practice Christian disciplines.

02 Emotional Health

*We reproduce who we are. If you are emotionally stunted, you will be spiritually stunted.
"There is no greater advertisement for atheism than an angry, fearful Christian."*

> Make a plan to grow and care for yourself.

03 Communication

We are on the same team. We work as a team.

> Submit attendance reports + communicate group changes.

04 Growth + Commitment

Leaders are learners. Leaders are servants.

> Be prepared to attend and participate in future small group leaders gatherings.

> Consider what your next wise step is towards becoming a fully devoted follower of Jesus.

How do we eat an elephant? How do we become fully devoted followers of Jesus?

OUR COMMITMENT

By being a Community Leader you agree to commit to actively participate in:

01 Your Own Spiritual Formation + Leadership Development

Faithful response to Jesus' invitation of discipleship

Attention and intention to your emotional, spiritual, and relational health

Attention and intention to your leadership growth

02 The Clearview Communities Role

Faithful attendance in the Leadership Meetings + Communications

Openness to leadership development, adjustments, and feedback

Regular and open communication with the Communities department

03 Your Community

Adopting the vision, values, and rhythms of Clearview Communities

Using my gifts to care and disciple my small group

Facilitating intentional and relational gatherings

04 Your Church

Commitment to the agreement made as a voting member of Clearview

Living under the authority of the Scriptures, biblical orthodoxy, and Clearview Leadership

Requirements

- Initial Meeting with Spiritual Formation Director / Small Group Rep
- Registered Voting Member of Clearview Community Church (request an application)
- Training Sessions Completion
- Water Baptism
