



GROUP LEADER INTEREST PACKET

We consider Group Leaders to be among the most vital parts of the ministry of the church. Group Leaders assist our church staff and elders by leading the members of their groups to become fully devoted disciples of Christ.

Here are a few questions to think over in prayer as you consider engaging the process of becoming a Group Leader at West Rome Baptist Church.

**If you are interested in leading a couples group, it is essential that you and your spouse together read and pray through the questions below.*

CALLING

We believe that the Great Commission is a command given to all believers to help in the process of making disciples. Group leaders play a special role in leading people to become fully devoted disciples of Jesus.

Question: Do you feel called to serve as the leader of a group of disciples at West Rome?

CRITERIA

We believe Group Leaders must have a commitment to follow Christ as Savior and Lord in their daily lives, growing and maturing in a daily walk with Him.

As a leader, the following criteria is expected:

- You have been a follower of Jesus for at least one year
- You can share your experience of trusting Christ as Savior.
- You believe and affirm West Rome's statement of belief.
- You agree with our biblical definition of marriage - we believe the Bible teaches that sex was created by God as an expression of intimacy between one man and one woman within the context of marriage.

Question: Have I put my faith in Christ as Savior and am I now feeling called to lead myself and others into a deepening relationship with Christ?

COMPENTENCY

Group Leaders are never expected to be perfect people by any means. However, there are certain skills that will be valuable as you lead your group. Some of these skills would be described as the ability to continue to humbly grow as a Christ follower, to lead people toward a growing relationship with Christ, to promote participation, and to reproduce yourself as a leader.

Question: Do I feel I am able to both model personally and engage others effectively in a group environment?

COMMITMENTS

In addition to a primary commitment to Jesus and their group, Group Leaders are asked to:

- Attend leadership trainings once a quarter
- Attend worship services in-person regularly at West Rome Baptist Church
- Teach in accordance with the church's doctrinal beliefs
- Use the approved curriculum resources provided by the church
- Encourage group members to serve as leaders in other ministries of the church
- Enlist an apprentice group leader to lead and start new groups

Question: Do I have the bandwidth in my schedule for the commitments that are required of a group leader at West Rome?

NEXT STEPS

If you have answered the questions in a way that affirms your interest in being a group leader, your next step is to fill out a group leader application. Once submitted, our office will be in contact to set up a meeting to go over your application and share further information about group leadership at West Rome.