

MULTIPLYING - WHY AND WHEN DO WE MULTIPLY OUR LIFE GROUP?

Why Multiply?

God's desire is to advance the Gospel and the chief way He does this is through Multiplication.

Individual to Individuals / Group to Groups

When Should We Multiply?

Most groups meet for 1-3 years. Once you have raised up a qualified co-leader and the group's regular attendance reaches is above 15 people the leader should begin moving their group towards multiplication.

3 Steps towards Multiplication:

1. Embody & Live Northeast's Mission of Making Disciples On Mission For Christ. There is no greater context for developing leadership than under the watchful and encouraging eye of a mentor leader. If you are the leader now... Your goal is to teach another person to do what you do (they don't have to do it just like you). Train them to lead in an environment where failure isn't fatal. This moves your entire group to take steps toward being and making Disciples rather than keeping them forever dependent on your leadership.

The first day you meet, you should begin identifying a co-leader to help you lead the group. That way, when you've grown to a size that makes multiplication possible/necessary you are ready!

2. Look for the Right Time This begins when a qualified leader has been discipled under the current leader to embody & live out Northeast Bible Church's vision & values. The current leader needs to connect their successor with either a LifeGroup Champion or the Discipleship Pastor to prepare to multiply their group.

A future LifeGroup stays committed to their current group until they have at least 4 people who are committed to multiply with them. At this point they must connect with the Discipleship Pastor of Northeast to prepare and plan the launch of this future LifeGroup.

3. Celebrate! During the first week of the new LifeGroup gathering, the sending LifeGroup throws a party for the new LifeGroup members. This party is to celebrate the birth of a new LifeGroup, to rejoice that there will be more people connecting to God & others.