

WHAT DO PEOPLE WANT FROM A SMALL GROUP?

The proportion of church involvement in Small Groups will be dependent on how well the Small Group fulfils the needs of each individual.

For Small Groups involvement to be high the church must develop and maintain a culture, driven by its leaders, which presents Small Groups as more than a Bible Study.

What the Small Group offers to the individual must also be well articulated to allow people to identify the area in which they connect with the Small Groups Ministry.

Each individual in the church has a variety of needs, often unspoken, which will not necessarily be filled by the bible study alone.

People may have a desire for any of the following:

- to feel cared for personally
- to feel cared for practically in times of need
- to receive mentoring
- to learn how to grow closer to God
- to learn how to become more spiritually mature
- to be in a smaller more personal environment to worship God
- a sense of being part of something bigger than themselves
- a sense of team
- part of serving the community
- using their specific gifts to serve others in a team environment
- having a greater sense of belonging to the church