

# D-Group Leadership Covenant – Adults

CUMC Student Ministry

2010-2011 Ministry Year

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After observation of the ministry, time I have spent in prayer, and discussing with my family the commitment involved with being in leadership with students, I choose to commit to the following:

## **Servant-Leadership: Lifestyle of Biblical Faith/Trust**

- Life of Faith/Trust: I confess that Jesus is Lord, and trust Him for life. Also, as a servant-leader, I commit to learning what it means to trust Jesus with my life more fully.
- Life of Growth: As a servant-leader I commit to seeking to grow in my trust and love of Jesus through public (worship service) and personal worship (prayer, Bible reading, journaling, etc.) and involvement in an accountability, community, growth group and/or Sunday School class for my own age group.
- Life of Consistency: As a servant-leader I commit to grow in my consistency of life so that the students that are in my group see the same leader at church and in public.
- Life of Sacrifice: I understand that part of growing in faith and consistency as a servant-leader is learning to live a life of sacrifice, and in our culture this means sacrificing some things that people assume are normal. As a Christian leader of teenagers in our culture I understand that if I choose to drink alcohol, I need to do so wisely, not in excess, being aware of time, place and perception (1 Timothy 3:1-3).
- Life of Purity: I understand that part of growing in faith and consistency as a servant-leader is learning to live a life of purity. As a servant-leader I commit to learning boundaries and to loving accountability so that I may grow in sexual purity and integrity. I will make every effort to avoid being alone with students of either gender and will notify a student minister if I find myself in this situation.
- Life of Transparency: I understand that part of growing in faith and consistency is being transparent, or open. As a servant-leader I commit to being mentored in leadership and will be open to loving accountability and, if needed, loving discipline.
- Life of Accountability: I understand that if I make decisions that are not consistent with a Christian leader, the Student ministry will address my behavior and if necessary, ask me to step down from leadership.

## **Servant-Leadership: Time Commitments**

- I understand the mission statement of CUMC and the relational philosophy of the Student Ministry, and I am committed to shepherding the youth or children that God brings to me, both during program times and during the week.
- I am making a servant-leadership commitment for at least the full school year with the understanding that a vast majority of D-Groups stay together through High School.
- I will attend periodic Servant-Leadership meetings & prayer time, and will communicate with the appropriate staff member if I have legitimate work or family conflict.

## **Servant-Leadership: Middle School D-Group Leaders**

- I commit to, in addition to shepherding my D-Group, mentoring the Student D-Group leader I am given. Part of this shepherding is having a line of communication with the SM Staff about your Student leader's ongoing qualifications for Christian leadership.
- Because I am making a significant commitment and my presence is important, I agree to be consistent and timely on Wednesday nights. I understand that participation in Middle School Worship and Bible Study is expected as my role as a D-Group Leader. I also agree to communicate with the appropriate Student Ministry staff member if I will be absent.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_