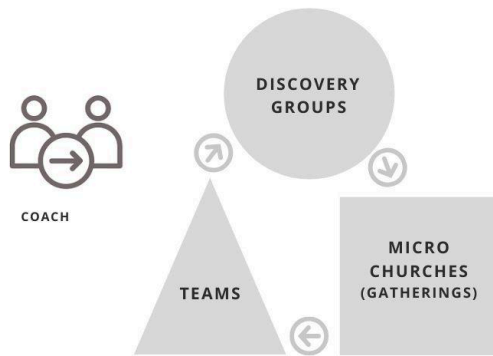


Multiplication in Share the Hope

- 1) **TEAMS** of everyday missionaries are sent out (to neighborhoods, relational networks, affinity groups, etc) to start Discovery Groups and/or Microchurches
- 2) **DISCOVERY GROUPS** are started (spiritually-interested people discovering God together)
- 3) **MICROCHURCHES** are formed (simple church gatherings)



HOW TO LAUNCH NEW TEAMS, DISCOVERY GROUPS, AND MICROCHURCH GATHERINGS

LAUNCH A NEW TEAM

- Identify a new mission field and pray earnestly for relational openings
- Invite at least one other person to come alongside you
- Meet together with your teammates to pray and discuss practicals

LAUNCH A NEW DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY

- Anyone can start a DBS (even someone who doesn't yet follow Jesus). They just need to be spiritually curious and able to invite others to join them to look at what God is saying in the Bible.
- DBS groups can be started by individuals or launched by new teams.
- Go to DBSgroups.com and ask the questions. Scripture lists are also available (we suggest the "10 Stories of Hope" list)

LAUNCH A NEW SHARE THE HOPE MICROCHURCH GATHERING

- New microchurches either emerge out of DBS groups or are multiplied from other Share the Hope gatherings
- Form a team and begin to meet (for prayer and planning)
- Use the document below to help you launch a new Share the Hope microchurch gathering

Launching a New Share the Hope Microchurch Gathering

1) Form New Team

- Create a core team of leaders (2+)
- Aim to have 2+ leaders who have come out of incarceration/addiction and 1+ leader who is in a mentoring role
- Identify a gathering place where a future Share the Hope group can meet.
 - Often a public place with a side room works best (coffee shop, library, community center, etc)

2) Pre-Launch

- Connect as a leadership team a few times before the microchurch gatherings are officially launched (see suggested format below)
- Meet in the identified gathering place as leaders
- Have leaders discuss and sign the [MICROCHURCH AGREEMENT FORM](#) for mutual accountability

3) Launch

- Begin meeting together in the designated time and place
- Get the word out to whoever needs to know (other Share the Hope and Gracious Promise teams, etc)
- Commit to the predetermined rhythms of the team

Format of Team Meetings (Pre-Launch):

- I. **Connect** - Spend time in community together, sharing struggles and joys
 - A. Ask: *What are you thankful for? What's a struggle you're facing?*
 - B. Perhaps visit the accountability questions (see page below)
- II. **Discover** - Study key passages regarding church and leadership (see Scripture list below)
- III. **Plan** - Discuss practicals of the new gathering (including TEAM ROLES)
- IV. **Pray** - Spend time in significant pray together, asking the Lord to open doors, reveal persons of peace, break strongholds, etc

Scripture List for Team Initial Team Meetings (5 Sessions)

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| 1. Acts 2:42-47 (church) | Additional Passage: Colossians 3:12-17 |
| 2. 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (church) | Additional Passage: Romans 12:3-8 |
| 3. John 13:1-15 (servant leadership) | Additional Passage: Mark 10:35-45 |
| 4. 1 Timothy 3:1-13 (character of a leader) | Additional Passage: 2 Timothy 2:1-16 |
| 5. 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (mission) | Additional Passage: Matthew 28:16-20 & Acts 1:8 |

Launching a New Share the Hope

TEAM LAUNCH & NEXT STEPS

❖ THE WHY - What's the Purpose of this team?

-What's your area of mission (relational network, affinity, place, etc)?

-Create a Purpose Statement:

❖ THE WHAT - What's the Goal and the Strategy of this team?

- What do you want to see happen?

❖ THE RHYTHMS- What are the regular & intentional rhythms of this team that must be in place in order to reach the purpose and goals (*i.e. prayer, face to face meetings, other communication, etc*)?

Daily: _____

Weekly: _____

Monthly: _____

Yearly: _____

Team Roles for Microchurch Gatherings

- “Church” is formed when a group of baptized believers gather regularly for **worship, community**, and depart those gatherings on **mission**.
- Microchurch gatherings are led by teams, not by individuals. The team shares the various responsibilities & roles below
- The chart below highlights the 3 primary roles of needed within gatherings
 - WORSHIP Facilitator
 - COMMUNITY & CARE Facilitator
 - SCRIPTURE DISCOVERY Facilitator
- The team continuously grows and shrinks as it trains new leaders, deploys them in the gathering and, as the Holy Spirit leads, send teams out to plant groups and gatherings in new areas/affinities.

TEAM ROLE		EXAMPLES
1. WORSHIP FACILITATOR -Leader guides a time of intentional worship & praise of God	WORSHIP	<i>Singing together (live or recorded music), breaking bread, art or poetry, testimonies and stories, etc</i>
2. COMMUNITY & CARE FACILITATOR -Leader facilitates conversation and prayer, inviting people to share joys, struggles, prayer needs, etc	COMMUNITY & CARE	Ask for Praises & Prayer Needs: -What are you thankful for/where have you seen God? -What are you struggling with/what do you need prayer for)? -Confession and intercession as a community
3. SCRIPTURE DISCOVERY FACILITATOR -Leader facilitates Discovery Bible Study questions, giving space for the group to discover truth together & to teach one another	SCRIPTURE DISCOVERY	Read the passage together and ask: -What stands out? -What do we learn about God/people?
-focus on obedience and mission. How can this group respond in obedience and who can they serve and love this week?	MISSION	-Creating I WILL statements as both individuals and the community as a whole -Giving space for the microchurch to live on mission together outside of the gathering time

DISCOVERY BIBLE QUESTIONS: See DBSgroups.com for questions and passage lists

- Read the passage & have people re-tell it in their own words
- What does this passage tell us about God?
- What does this passage tell us about people?
- How can you specifically live this passage out this week? Create I WILL STATEMENTS
- Who are you going to share with this week?

TEAM PLANNING CHECKLIST: Share the Hope launch

Pre-Launch

- Pre-launch meetings set
- Purpose and Vision Statements written
- Team rhythms set (when, where, how are you connecting as a team in prayer and planning?)
- Team launch Scripture Lists discussed as a team
- Microchurch Agreement signed by teammates

Share the Hope Gathering Details

- Time and Place set for weekly Share the Hope gatherings
- Contact information & STH details given to gracious promise and other partnering ministries
- Team Roles discussed and set for the first few gatherings (who's in charge of what?)

-Community & Care _____

-Worship _____

-Scripture Discovery _____

Other Details

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Potential Accountability Questions for New Team

THREE LOVES QUESTIONS: JESUS' CENTRAL COMMANDS

Great Commandment (Mark 12:30-31), Great Commission (Matt 28:18-20)

LOVE GOD (PRAYERFUL): How am I enjoying and practicing God's presence in all of life? How am I receiving the Father's love for me (identity), and growing in my love for Him? How am I daily seeking and listening to Jesus in prayer and obeying what He says? (1 Jn 4:10-19; Is 55:3; Jn 14:15-26; Ps 27:4-8)

LOVE ONE ANOTHER (FAMILY): What have I done to love, serve and prefer others above myself? Have I kept my word and followed through on my commitments? Have I withheld kindness or forgiveness, closed my heart or remained frustrated with anyone? Have I damaged another person with my words or actions? (Phil 2:3-8; Jn 15:12-13; Matt 5:37; 6:14-15; Eph 4:29)

LOVE THE WORLD (MISSION): Does my life reflect God's passion to reconcile all people to Himself? How am I partnering with the Holy Spirit and other disciples to help people who are not following Jesus come closer to Him? Is there someone in need that I can serve this week? (2 Cor 5:17-21; Matt 10:7-8; Col 4:3-6; Is 58:10)

INTEGRITY QUESTIONS

DAMAGING BELIEFS AND BEHAVIORS: Have I experienced the Holy Spirit's conviction of sin this week in a belief or behavior? Have I believed a lie about myself or God? How am I pursuing Jesus' freedom from damaging patterns, strongholds and hopeless areas in my life? (Jn 16:7-15; 2 Cor 10:3-5; Jn 8:31-36; Eph 4:27; Jn 10:10; Is 61:1; 2 Tim 2:22-26)

SEXUALITY How am I reflecting God's image as male or female in my sexuality? How am I valuing my body and others as a temple of the Holy Spirit? Is there anyway I have dishonored God with my sexuality (i.e. viewed sexually alluring material, lusted after another, dwelled on inappropriate thoughts)? (Gen 1:26-28; 1 Cor 6:18-20; 1 Thess 4:3-8; Phil 4:8; Matt 5:27-30)

MONEY How am I being a faithful and generous steward of my (God's) money and possessions? Am I worrying about or being controlled by a love for money or materialism, instead of trusting God? Am I consistently and faithfully giving to the church and being generous to those in need? (2 Cor 9:6-11; Lk 12:22-31; Heb 13:5-6; Matt 6:24-33; Acts 4:32-35)

GOD'S STORY READING AND PRAYER QUESTIONS

PRAYER RHYTHM Have I been faithful to the prayer rhythm I have chosen? (Eph 6:18; Matt 6:5-13; 1 Thess 5:16-18; Col 4:2; Lk 11:1-13)

PRAYER BY NAME Have I faithfully prayed by name for people in my life who are not yet following Jesus? Oikos Map (1 Tim 2:1-6; Lk 10:2; 18:1-8; Acts 17:26-28)

BIBLE READING Have I been faithful to the Bible reading plan I have chosen? (Col 3:16; Acts 2:42; 2 Tim 3:15-17; Heb 4:12-13; Matt 7:24-27; Ps 119: 9-16, 20, 89, 105)