

Won't You Join the Adventure?

If the mission, vision and values of The LIFEhouse Church resonate with your personal mission, vision and values, then we invite you to become a part of this LIFE giving adventure. A movement becomes powerful at the point of agreement.

Two kinds of people find The LIFEhouse to be an especially good place to grow: those investigating the claims of Christ, and dedicated believers who care about those on the journey to God.

When we say "everybody is cared for by somebody" we don't just mean an emotional feeling of care, but a compassionate commitment to care because every person matters to God.

As you connect with caring believers, you will be invited to serve on the team, and pass on the blessing by giving yourself to others.

Every person is to have one hand up and one hand down. One hand up to a more mature believer, a mentor, a model worthy of following. One hand down to help someone who is new to the faith.

Every person needs to:

1. **Know** the truth that sets captives free
2. **Be** Christ-like people of character
3. **Do** what Jesus commands

Our Mission

To create an authentic Christian community that effectively reaches out to un-churched people with love, acceptance and forgiveness so that they may experience the joy of salvation and a purposeful life of discipleship.

Our Vision

To seek a prevailing, leadership development environment where believers are equipped to lead in their homes, at work and in the community. LIFEgroup leaders will be equipped to transform the spiritual landscape of every neighborhood. Leaders will be prepared to lead new churches throughout our community and world. This church will find LIFE in the person of Christ and will reproduce that LIFE through hundreds of LIFEgroups.

Our Values

Clarity. *The LIFEhouse* is about loving God and loving people. We encourage fewer and finer commitments.

Authenticity. *The LIFEhouse* is about a real relationship with God. *Honesty is the first step to spirituality. We are only as sick as our secrets.*

Community. The LIFEhouse is about being a spiritual family where every person is accepted and loved.

Equipping. The LIFEhouse is about equipping believers to be successful in impacting the world for Christ.

Entrepreneurial Spirit. *The LIFEhouse* is about reaching as many people as possible as quickly as possible. Our focus is outward.

Our Priorities

Worship: We are devoted to worshiping God as a lifestyle.

LIFEgroups: We are determined to care for each other through small groups.

Outreach: We are dedicated to reaching people who do not know Christ as their Savior.

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What Kind of Church Is This?



*Where Everybody is Cared
For By Somebody*
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A New Kind of Church

For many people The LIFEhouse Church is a different type of church experience. People who are new to our environment are often unsure how to categorize us. In short we are:

A Mission Driven Church

At the LIFEhouse Worship Center you'll find a casual atmosphere, contemporary worship and a Bible-based message you can understand.

- ❖ Equipping and maturing followers of Christ at every level.
- ❖ Becoming a church willing to serve the least and the lost.
- ❖ Building strategic bridges between our church and the communities in which we live, work and play.
- ❖ Planting new churches and partnering with existing Christ honoring churches everywhere.

What Is Most Important To Us?

(Our Core Values)



"Who We Are" Values

1. Acceptance: Loving "just as" we love ourselves, regardless of location, social, economic or racial status. We love people just as they are, but love them too much to leave them there.
2. Integrity at every level: Personal, family, organizational, financial.
3. Faith Based Ministry:

Pursuing God-sized goals in an environment of innovation and change.

4. Truth: Speaking and proclaiming the truth found in God's word regardless of the cost.

"What We Do" Values:



Worship – Sunday Celebrations

- ✓ Practical Preaching
- ✓ Passionate Worship

Prayer Based Ministry

- ✓ Prayer nights/prayer walks
- ✓ Prayer evangelism
- ✓ LIFEhouses of Prayer

Authentic Christian Community/Teams

(Modeled by the Pastors, Elders and Leaders)

- ❖ LIFEgroups – Open to our neighbors, friends, co-workers, and the un-churched.

Equipping – Mobilizing for ministry and multiplying for mission through a leadership development environment.

- ❖ **Leadership Teams** – ongoing leadership training. We believe that the bigger our dream, the bigger the team.
- ❖ **Tiered - Multi-level Ministry Training** Like the "farm system" in baseball there is an opportunity for everyone to get into the game at every level of skill. We are an "every member a minister" ministry. We are a church where

everybody is cared for by somebody in every department.

- ❖ **Intern Ministry** – hands on training for future pastors, Christian workers and missionaries (Our top level leaders are encouraged to serve alongside our future pastors/missionaries who are our current Interns. The Lead Pastor's primary equipping ministry is to future pastors/missionaries.

Outreach

We don't ask people to come to us, we ask us to go to them. We keep the arrows pointed out. We are looking to decentralize the church – to "push it out" instead of "pull 'em in". We "gather" on the weekend to worship God and then we scatter during the week to love our neighbors through LIFEgroups.

- ❖ Servant Evangelism - believing that people come to Christ best on the arm of a trusted friend
- ❖ Community Bridge-building Events – where we scatter to love the least and the lost.

A Church "OF" Small Groups

LIFEgroups meet weekly for friendship, spiritual growth and encouragement. LIFEgroups are small groups of 3-14 people and are the basic building block of our church. Small groups are scriptural, strategic, scalable and simple. For information on current LIFEgroups, or to find out how to start a LIFEgroup please visit www.thc.org

