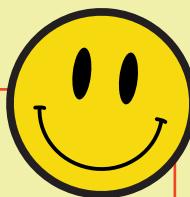




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SC NEIGHBORHOOD LEADER GUIDE

On behalf of Pastors Earl and Oneka, thank you for your yes! Your yes is shaping the future church and we are honored to be on this journey with you! We are so very thrilled to bring Heaven to Earth with you!

You'll want to keep this guide somewhere easily accessible as a reference for hosting your gathering! This guide will ensure your Shoreline City gathering provides a unified experience with gatherings across the globe. Yes, you read that right... across the GLOBE. What an honor it is to serve and share Jesus with people in our very own neighborhoods, guiding them to not just observe the service, but PARTICIPATE in what God is doing.

Every SC Neighborhood has a great environment, worship, message, healthy conversation, prayer and the raising up of leaders. Can we count on you to build your gathering on these 5 foundational pieces?



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PRAYER OUR SECRET SAUCE

As a church, we have always intentionally asked the presence of God to take control of every part of our gatherings. We believe linking arms with the Holy Spirit is our SECRET SAUCE!

Are we praying over our gathering before guests arrive?

Are we asking for prayer requests at some point during our gathering?

If praying 1 on 1, are we ensuring men pray with men and women pray with women?

Did we make sure that our guests know they can send in prayer requests at any time throughout the week by texting SCCONNECT to 97000?

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WHAT TO PRAY FOR

We always want to pray sometime DURING our gathering with our guests. It's also powerful to pray before our guests arrive and sometimes even after as well to thank God for what He did.

Ask for the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Pray that God will cause people's hearts to be open.

Pray for wisdom and strength to lead your gathering.

Pray for unity in every part of our church.

Pray for God's hand to be on all aspects of safety, logistics and technology throughout the day.



GREAT ENVIRONMENT

PEOPLE

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One of our 12 Stones is WE LOVE PEOPLE. Our goal is for people to leave our home feeling known, included, and loved in a way that makes them count down the days until the next gathering!

Do we know the names of those coming?



Are snacks and drinks intentionally placed?

Are we greeting guests at the door, showing them where to place their purse or coat, and walking them to the refreshments?

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PEACEFUL

Environment changes the game! When we have the table set before guests arrive and cultivate an atmosphere that is peaceful, warm, and welcoming, we minimize distractions for our guests to experience Jesus.

Is there upbeat and appropriate music playing as people arrive?

Is the smell pleasant and home tidy?

Are pets secured?

Is the table set before the 1st guest arrives?

PRACTICAL

God loves us in the details and so we love people in the details too! When we are intentional about the practical details of our gathering, we're showing our guests the love of God.

Is there adequate parking near my gathering location?

Have I communicated the start time, address, and arrival instructions to my guests?

Is seating placed so that the number of guests arriving can comfortably sit?



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03

WORSHIP + THE MESSAGE

LOGISTICS

Worshiping together keeps our eyes fixed on Jesus. One of our 12 Stones is WE PROTECT UNITY. Watching the message together keeps us in unity with Pastors Earl and Oneka, other gatherings across the globe, and the heart, vision, and culture of our church.

Is YouTube pulled up to Shoreline City prior to guests arriving?

Has the audio and video been tested on the TV or projector being used?

Is the audio loud enough for singing to be comfortable?

Have we thought through how and when to graciously bring guests to the room in which the message will be watched?

Do we know who will press play on the message and be in charge of technology hiccups?



WE GO FIRST

As leaders, we go first! How we watch service, participate in worship, and engage with the message will naturally show our guests the culture of our church.

Are we leading the room on when to sit and stand during the message?

Are we leading the room in being engaged throughout service?

Are we leading the room in “shouting down” the speakers?

Are we leading the room in exemplifying how to worship?

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HEALTHY CONVERSATION

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HEALTHY CONVERSATION

A SAFE PLACE

Conversation leads to connection. Our entire home should be a safe place before, during, and after service for our guests to talk about hobbies, life, the Lord, and even takeaways from the message if led.

Are you taking notes during service so you have points to bring up if your guests want to talk about the message?

Are you asking your guests intentional questions before and after service that make them feel seen, included, and cared for?

Be relaxed and have fun! No need to force conversations, but allow space for them as they arise.



KEEP IT POSITIVE

WE PROTECT UNITY by ensuring conversation does not go in a direction that would hurt the beautiful work of unity that God has done in our church.

If someone brings up something sensitive or complex, are we lovingly asking that individual if we can speak with them on that topic offline?

Are we asking our Regional Director for guidance if needed on these situations?

SET EXPECTATIONS

One of our 12 Stones is WE GIVE HONOR. One way we honor our guests is by setting expectations and following them.

Are we communicating start and stop times?

Are we sticking to start and stop times?

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RESPECT BOUNDARIES

We want to protect both you and guests from entering into an uncomfortable or inappropriate situation.

Are men ministering to men, and women ministering to women?

Are you reaching out to your Regional Director for guidance if a situation arises with the opposite sex that you feel uneasy about?



05

RAISING UP LEADERS

OUR MANDATE

Our mandate as a part of Shoreline City is to raise up Christ-like leaders who make it on earth as it is in heaven.

Raising up leaders is woven into the fabric of everything we do as a church. If we want to see God's will being done ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN, it involves walking alongside others with the goal to take them ONE step forward in their walk with the Lord. As an SC Neighborhood Leader, you are a part of raising up leaders.

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THINGS TO ASK YOURSELF

Are we intentionally looking for ways to give our guests leadership roles? Example roles provided in the following chart.

Are we intentionally pouring into our guests spiritually? This can look like following up on a prayer request they shared, checking on them mid-week, sharing a leadership podcast with them, asking them their personal goals regarding family, work, or their spiritual walk, sharing with them how they too can raise up leaders and challenging them to do so with other guests in your SC Neighborhood.



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**EXAMPLE
ROLES**

Example Roles

These are roles you can delegate as you raise up leaders in your SC Neighborhood.

Hospitality

A guest can own intentionally preparing the refreshments, ensuring refreshments are refilled, helping get volunteers to bring refreshments, etc.

Host

A guest can own answering the door, showing guests to the bathroom, ensuring the background music is playing before and after the message + turned off during the message, introducing guests to one another, welcoming guests who might be standing alone into conversations, etc.

Parking

A guest can own communicating address, parking + arrival instructions, directing guests outside as they arrive if needed, etc.

Usher

A guest can own intentionally setting up chairs for all guests to comfortably sit, graciously interrupting conversations to guide guests to their seats as service is starting, gathering and reporting attendance, etc.

Next Gen

A guest can own knowing how many kids are coming, thinking through where the kids will be during the gathering, prepping if any technology or toys are needed, coordinating an approved parent rotation to care for the kids that attend if needed, etc.

Next Gen

If you have children of your own or children as guests, you have the choice to coordinate a Next Gen service at your own discretion. A Next Gen service is a child focused and age appropriate service using the content provided on the Shoreline City Next Gen YouTube with parental/guardian oversight. The parent(s)/legal guardian(s) will be responsible for the supervision and wellbeing of their own child(ren). Have a conversation with your Regional Director if you are needing assistance with this.

