

We're excited that you're interested in leading a Circle! Before you fill out the form, take some time to read over these FAQ's about Circle Leadership.

#### WHAT IS ITOWN'S VISION FOR CIRCLES?

Circles are a way to make the big church feel smaller. It is one of the key ways we deliver the "Connect" part of our vision. We believe life change happens when we're connected with others in relationships.

Circles create a place for everyone to be known and pastored throughout the week. Our church must get smaller (through Circles) and larger (through evangelism) simultaneously.

# WHAT CURRICULUM CAN I USE FOR A CIRCLE?

There is no set curriculum. We always say "Take what you already love to do, and turn it into ministry!" Gather around things you like to do or what you feel like God is leading you to.

Each new semester, leaders form groups around their interests. This can range from Bible and book studies to card games and knitting. The Circle leaders will offer prayer or a passage at each meeting and pray for their members daily. Any books or teachings are reviewed in advance by our pastoral team.

Email our Circles team for curriculum ideas at Circles@ITOWNChurch.com.

## HOW OFTEN DO CIRCLES MEET AND FOR HOW LONG?

Circles meet weekly at the day and time of the leader's choosing, usually for about an hour. Each Circle operates on a semester system to create perfect opportunities to jump in or try something new!

## WHAT DOES THE ITOWN PASTORAL TEAM CONSIDER BEFORE APPROVING A CIRCLE?

Have the leaders/co-leaders fulfilled the below requirements?

- Completed Grow Plan Steps 1, 2 and 3
- Signed the Leadership Honor Code
- Members of ITOWN Church
- Completed the Circle Leader Training
- Is all the group information included?
- Is the top/curriculum appropriate for our church, the age group desired, and the leader involved?

#### WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO LEAD A YOUTH CIRCLE?

Youth Circles have additional training and requirements. Email us for more information at Circles@ITOWNChurch.com