

Group Leader Guide – January 18th, 2026

Group Announcements:

- Annual Conference & Italian Themed Potluck – Jan 25th @ 6 pm
- LFY One Conference Hawaiian Plate Fundraiser – Feb 1st @ 12:30 pm
- PNW Women's Conference – March 19-21 – Pasco, WA
- If you would like to host a group in the next season, let your group leader know!

Attendance:

- Group leaders, please submit your attendance by person's name through our Leader Tools page winacity.com/leader-tools –

FELLOWSHIP:

During this time, you may plan for food. This could be anything from just snacks to a full dinner.

Use your group chat and create a place where people can be informed of the times for your group and what to bring for food.

Games are also appropriate. YouTube and Google offer a wide range of games for you to choose from.

WARM UP:

As a starting point for your group discussion, consider asking questions that encourage conversation and help participants share about themselves.

- What is one thing you would say yes to if fear was not involved? 10 min total time for discussion

LEARN IT: The Kingdom Has a King, a Body, and a Mission

Read: Ephesians 1:8-23

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might which He brought about in Christ, when he raised him from the dead and seated Him at his right hand in the heavenly places far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but in the one to come, and he put all things in subjection under His feet, and Gave him as head over all things to the Church which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Is there an area in your life where you treat Jesus more like a consultant than a King? Share Briefly Allow 3-5 min for discussion.

Leader Note: Jesus is the reigning King, and the Church is God's eternal strategy—not a backup plan. Kingdom authority does not flow from self-assertion or personal ambition, but from submission to the King and alignment with His order. You cannot truly represent the King while resisting His rule.

SHARE IT: Jesus Modeled the Mission Before Multiplying it

Read: John 5:19

Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly truly I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner.

Why do you think Jesus chose to *demonstrate* the mission instead of just explaining it? Share Briefly 3-5 min discussion

Leader Note: Jesus modeled the Kingdom mission in His own life before entrusting it to others, showing that power, signs, and miracles serve the purpose of redemption rather than replacing it. He demonstrates that obedience precedes multiplication, presence before sending, and to seek and save the lost is the true measure of Kingdom success.

LIVE IT: Kingdom Advancement Happens Through Submitted Lives

Read: Matthew 6:33

But seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

How does full submission to God redefine freedom rather than restrict it? Share Briefly 5-10 min for reflection and prayer (maybe turn on some worship music)

Leader Note: The Kingdom is lived through daily submission, formed obedience, and Spirit-led availability. God advances His mission through surrendered lives that are willing to be shaped, sent, and interrupted for His purposes.

PRAY:

Use a group chat (WhatsApp, Messenger, Instagram, etc.) and add everyone in your group. Post your group's prayer requests here during your meetings and throughout the week. Encourage everyone to pray for these needs daily. You may also post or do live video as a daily encouragement for everyone, like scripture verses, encouraging thoughts, spontaneous hangouts, etc.

- Is there something you are waiting on God to do, where He's waiting on you to obey Him?

Leaders, please prepare some YouTube worship music and spend some time with your group waiting in His presence and worshipping Him.

- give each group member a chance to pray for any other needs
- Share testimonies with each other; you may send them to stella@winacity.com so we can encourage the church

Suggestion:

- You may lay hands on people who need prayer after you have asked for permission.
- You may also take communion together
- If you have the space and availability, you may do a time of worship

Suggested timeframes for your group:

- 20-30 minutes for fellowship
- 10-15 minutes for Warm up
- 30 minutes for the study
- 10-15 minutes for sharing needs and prayer