GROUPS PLUMB LINES

GOSPEL-CENTERED
PEOPLE-FOCUSED
KINGDOM-MINDED

Five plumb lines that shape the way we do life together.

WE ARE A FAMILY, NOT AN AUDIENCE

Guardrail against: Passive participation, consumer mentality and leader-dependent groups

Groups are an "all play" activity. While few will lead, all must show up, participate and contribute

"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith."

Galatians 6:10

WE GO DEEP, NOT WIDE

Guardrail against: shallow conversation and encourages multiplication

We must bring our true self, take off the mask and share what is real

"The purposes of a person's heart are deep waters, but one who has insight draws them out."

Proverbs 20:5

WE VALUE SAFETY, NOT COMFORT

Guardrail against: conflict avoidance and false peace

We tell our stories, confess our sins and serve our church in an environment of grace

"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed."

James 5:16

WE CARE FOR AND ABOUT EACH OTHER

Guardrail against: sympathy without action

We need to make sure that the tangible needs of the group are met to the best of our ability

"All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need."

Acts 2:44-45

WE STRIVE FOR UNITY

Guardrail against: letting secondary and worldly issues divide us

We refuse to let worldly, political or cultural issues divide us. We learn to unhitch identity from our opinions

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

Ephesians 4:3

ROOTED IN SCRIPTURE
BUILT IN LOVE
SENT TO SERVE