

Westview Baptist Church
SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES
During Covid-19 Pandemic

Three scriptures sum up what we're called to do as the church: Love the Lord and love our neighbour (Matt. 22:37), gather together in the name of Jesus (Heb. 10:25), and obey the law of the land (Rom. 13:1). The simple guidelines we've drawn up will show how, in the current climate, we can fulfill that commission in spirit and in truth.

Front Door:

In keeping with Ministry of Health guidelines:

- Church currently open for small groups only
- Schedule by phoning or emailing Church

Respect social distancing:

- No contact (e.g. no hand shaking, hugging)
- Maintain 2 m distancing
- Minimize touching surfaces
- Have wipes and hand-sanitizer available

For Small Group Hosts:

We encourage people to join small groups; however participants have to make their own choice and weigh their own personal risk as to whether they come out to join a group in person. Having said that, all of us must be mindful of each other's comfort level and make accommodations to suit those needs within the group.

A person who wishes to host a group should remind attendees of these principles and set up the location to allow:

- No contact
- Maintain 2 m distancing
- Allow members to decide whether they want to partake in food or drink
- Minimize touching surfaces
- Have wipes and hand-sanitizer available

Remind members of the group:

- If anyone is sick, they must stay home.
- If anyone has travelled internationally, they must self-quarantine for two weeks.
- If anyone is immune-compromised they must be very careful about joining a group.
- If you have a group larger than 6 people, please meet outside or book a time to meet in the church where you will have more space to follow social distancing.