

# LEADING THROUGH CHANGE Leadership Group Guide - October 2021

Seasons of life will inevitably change as we all have experienced over the last year and a half. Although change can cause uncertainty and fear, we can rest in the sovereign assurance that God—who knows everything from beginning to end—will keep us anchored to His love through our relationship with Jesus, the only constant we have in this world:

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." (Hebrews 13:8 NIV)

Our faith in Jesus tethers us to the promise of God's all-encompassing care despite the uncertainty or fear that change may surface. Many of us and our Small Group members are experiencing drastic changes in the rhythms of work, health, their children's schooling, finances, and everyday life. As leaders, it is paramount that we remind our members that their absolute hope lies in the unchanging nature of their relationship with Jesus.

The current season of trial we are in will come to an end. Until then, we must all continue to live on mission by sharing the Gospel which is our sure foundation in Christ and making disciples in a world that is in desperate need of God's hope and love. After all, no matter what changes may come, we know God is faithful:

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28 NIV)

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Are there any seasons of change you are personally experiencing? If so, share about the change and how you are trusting God with it.
- Are there any seasons of change your Small Group members are experiencing?
  How has it impacted their walk with God? Share how you are leading and
  shepherding them to trust Jesus with the changes, while also remaining on
  mission for others.

## **Prayer Points:**

- 1. Pray that the faith of every member of our church would grow as they trust God in the seasons of change they are experiencing.
- 2. Pray for current members to return back to in-person services and small groups.
- 3. Pray for healing and God's peace over those currently battling the COVID 19 virus.
- 4. Pray that the pandemic would finally come to an end and that the COVID 19 virus would be crushed once and for all—in Jesus' name.
- 5. Pray that those you are sharing the Gospel with would get saved.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **Zoom Reimbursement**

Due to the ongoing pandemic and with the uncertainties of people's schedules, we will continue to reimburse Zoom "Pro Package" subscriptions until further notice. This will enable you to keep hosting virtual Zoom meetings and not neglecting to meet as a small group.

Once you have received your Zoom Pro invoice for the month, kindly forward them directly to info@pearlside.org in a timely manner. Thank you, leaders, for continuing to shepherd your people well during this time.

## **Annual Household Update**

To better serve you, we have a Household Update form that will be used to keep you up to date with the necessary information at our church. If you have recently joined our Pearlside family or have any changes to your household information, please complete and submit a form by going to pearlside.org/householdupdate or on our Pearlside App. Please complete the form by October 17.

### Seek Week - October 26 - 28, 2021

As a church, we will be having a time of prayer and fasting from October 26 - 28. Aside from personal prayers, we invite you to join us corporately as we pray and believe for specific things in our church. For prayer targets and fasting guidelines, go to <u>pearlside.org/seekweek</u>.