

LIFE TOUCH COMMUNITY CHURCHES

# God's Blueprint

## — 2026 Vision —

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— JOHN 15:16 —



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# THE GATHERING 2026

Complete Vision Package

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# GOD'S BLUEPRINT FOR 2026

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## THE VISION FOR 2026

2026 is our year of **SPIRITUAL FRUITFULNESS**. God has given us a clear blueprint for growth, multiplication, and kingdom impact. This is not a vision born from human ambition, but a divine mandate received through prayer and confirmed by the Holy Spirit.

### THEME: FRUITFUL BY DESIGN

God is intentional. Fruitfulness doesn't happen by accident—it happens by design. Just as an architect creates a detailed blueprint before construction begins, God has drawn a precise blueprint for Life Touch Community Church in 2026. Our assignment is to execute this blueprint with excellence and faith.

## OUR 2026 GOALS

FROM	TO	GOAL
20 Members	50 Members	150% Growth
0 Small Groups	3 Small Groups	Community & Discipleship
Limited Outreach	40+ Salvations	Evangelistic Impact
Financial Deficit	Financial Sustainability	Stewardship Excellence
Local Presence	Community Influence	Kingdom Advancement

## QUARTERLY MILESTONES

**Q1 (Jan-Mar):** 20 → 30 members | Train small group leaders | Launch evangelism training

**Q2 (Apr-Jun):** 30 → 40 members | Launch 3 small groups | Family Fun Day outreach

**Q3 (Jul-Sep):** 40 → 45 members | Evangelism intensive | Back-to-School blessing

**Q4 (Oct-Dec):** 45 → 50 members | Leadership multiplication | Year-end celebration

# THE 4-PILLAR STRATEGY

Our growth strategy is built on four foundational pillars. Like a building, if any pillar is weak, the structure is unstable. But when all four pillars are strong, we can build high and build strong.

## PILLAR 1: EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

In a church of 20-50 members, every person must be active in ministry. There are no spectators—only participants. Every member will discover their spiritual gifts, receive training, and serve in at least one ministry area.

**Goal:** 100% member mobilization by April 2026

## PILLAR 2: RADICAL HOSPITALITY

First impressions are lasting impressions. Every guest must feel welcomed, valued, and invited to return. We will create an exceptional guest experience from parking lot to farewell, with follow-up within 24 hours.

**Goal:** Every guest greeted within 30 seconds, 100% follow-up achieved

## PILLAR 3: STRATEGIC EVANGELISM

Church growth happens through personal relationships and authentic evangelism. Every member will identify their "Top 5" people to reach, complete evangelism training, and actively share their faith.

**Goal:** 40+ salvations through personal evangelism in 2026

## PILLAR 4: INTENSIVE DISCIPLESHIP

Evangelism without discipleship creates converts, not disciples. Every new believer will enter our 8-week newcomer pathway, connecting them to small groups, ministry, and membership.

**Goal:** 90% completion rate of discipleship pathway

# THE COMMITMENT REQUIRED

Vision is free, but execution costs something. To see this blueprint fulfilled, every member must commit to five essential disciplines:

## 1. FAITHFULNESS IN ATTENDANCE

- Consistent Sunday worship (unless sick/traveling)
- Wednesday prayer meetings
- Small group participation
- Special events and trainings

## 2. PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING

- Monthly equipping sessions
- Personal evangelism training (February-March)
- Spiritual gifts workshops
- Ministry-specific training

## 3. ACTIVE EVANGELISM & INVITATIONS

- Pray for lost souls daily ("Top 5" list)
- Share your faith naturally
- Invite people to church weekly
- Bring guests to special events

## 4. FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

- Faithful tithing (10% of income)
- Generous offerings above the tithe
- Support vision projects
- Faith-promise giving

## 5. PRAYER & FASTING COMMITMENT

- Daily personal prayer (30 minutes minimum)
- Corporate prayer meetings
- Three fasting seasons: 21-Day (Jan 26-Feb 15), 14-Day Summer (Aug 10-23), 7-Day Thanksgiving (Nov 16-22)

# **GOD'S PROMISES TO US**

When we commit to God's blueprint, He commits to provide everything we need. Here are His promises:

## **HIS PRESENCE IN EVERY SERVICE**

*"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." — Matthew 18:20*

## **SUPERNATURAL INCREASE**

*"The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest." — Psalm 85:12*

## **SOULS ADDED TO THE KINGDOM**

*"And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved." — Acts 2:47*

## **RESOURCES FOR THE VISION**

*"And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." — 2 Corinthians 9:8*

## **LASTING FRUIT & LEGACY**

*"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last." — John 15:16*

## 2026 FASTING SEASONS

FAST	DATES	FOCUS
21-Day Consecration	Jan 26 - Feb 15	Breakthrough, vision clarity, spiritual cleansing
14-Day Summer	Aug 10-23	Evangelistic power and soul-winning harvest
7-Day Thanksgiving	Nov 16-22	Gratitude, testimony gathering, year-end victory

## MONTHLY PRAYER FOCUS

**Weekly:** Wednesday Prayer Service (7:00-8:30 PM)

**Monthly:** First Friday All-Night Prayer (10 PM - 6 AM)

**Monthly:** Last Saturday Strategic Prayer (9 AM - 12 PM)

**Goal:** 24/7 prayer coverage established by mid-year

## THE CALL TO ACTION

God has drawn the blueprint. The strategy is clear. The resources are available. The workers are present. The only question remaining is:

### **WILL YOU BUILD?**

Will you say YES to God's blueprint?  
Will you commit to the process?  
Will you believe for the impossible?

**YOUR FAITHFULNESS WILL DETERMINE OUR FRUITFULNESS.  
YOUR OBEDIENCE WILL UNLOCK THE BLESSING.  
YOUR YES WILL POSITION YOU FOR PURPOSE.**

*"Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, that he may run who reads it."*

— *Habakkuk 2:2*

**2026 WILL BE OUR YEAR OF SPIRITUAL FRUITFULNESS!**

# LIFE TOUCH COMMUNITY CHURCH

**Address:**

13242 S Rte. 59, Lower Level  
Plainfield, IL 60585

**Service Times:**

Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM  
Wednesday Prayer: 7:00 PM

**Contact:**

[www.lifetouchcommunity.org](http://www.lifetouchcommunity.org)

**Pastor:**

Augustine Pokoo  
Lead Pastor & Founder

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## SECTION 2

# THE 2026 COVENANT DECLARATION

We, the members and attendees of Life Touch Community Church in Plainfield, Illinois, having gathered on this 24th day of January in the year 2026, do solemnly enter into covenant with Almighty God and with one another.

## I. OUR COVENANT WITH GOD

We covenant to:

### SEEK HIS PRESENCE DAILY

We commit to prioritizing intimate relationship with God through daily prayer, Bible reading, and worship. We will position ourselves by the rivers of His presence, drawing life and strength from Him alone.

*"Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water." — Jeremiah 17:7-8a*

### SUBMIT TO HIS PRUNING

We welcome God's discipline and correction in our lives. We will not resist His pruning process, understanding that He cuts away what hinders us so we can bear more fruit.

*"He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful." — John 15:2*

### BEAR LASTING FRUIT

We commit to living fruitful lives—producing the fruit of the Spirit in our character, the fruit of souls through evangelism, and the fruit of disciples through mentoring.

*"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last." — John 15:16*

## II. OUR COVENANT WITH THIS CHURCH FAMILY

We covenant to:

### FAITHFULNESS IN ATTENDANCE

We will faithfully attend worship services, prayer meetings, and small group gatherings except when prevented by illness, travel, or emergency.

*"Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." — Hebrews 10:25*

### ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN MINISTRY

We will serve actively in at least one ministry area, recognizing that every member is a minister.

*"Just as each of us has one body with many members... so in Christ we, though many, form one body." — Romans 12:4-5*

### GENEROUS FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

We will honor God with our finances through faithful tithing and generous giving.

*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse... Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty. — Malachi 3:10*

### UNITY AND LOVE

We will guard the unity of this church through humility, love, and quick forgiveness.

*"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" — Psalm 133:1*

### AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY

We will pursue genuine relationships through small group participation, accountability partnerships, and intentional fellowship.

*"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." — Galatians 6:2*

### **III. OUR COVENANT TO THE LOST**

We covenant to:

#### **PRAY FOR THE LOST**

We will daily pray for lost souls by name, believing God for their salvation.

*"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest..." — Matthew 9:37-38*

#### **SHARE THE GOSPEL**

We commit to personal evangelism, completing training and actively sharing our faith.

*"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation..." — Romans 1:16*

#### **INVITE THE LOST**

We will consistently invite friends, family, coworkers, and neighbors to church services and events.

#### **DISCIPLE NEW BELIEVERS**

We commit to walking alongside those who come to faith, ensuring they are established, connected, and growing.

*"Therefore go and make disciples... teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." — Matthew 28:19-20a*

## IV. OUR SPECIFIC GOALS FOR 2026

- **Numerical Growth:** 20 to 50 committed members (150% increase)
- **Small Groups:** Launch 3 thriving small groups with 75%+ participation
- **Evangelistic Fruitfulness:** 40+ salvations through personal evangelism
- **Financial Sustainability:** Monthly income meeting/exceeding budget
- **Ministry Development:** Fully functioning ministries in all key areas
- **Spiritual Maturity:** Visible transformation in character and conduct

## V. OUR DECLARATION OF FAITH

### 2026 WILL BE OUR YEAR OF SPIRITUAL FRUITFULNESS!

We will not just attend church—we will BE the church.  
We will not just hear sermons—we will DO the Word.  
We will not just make plans—we will EXECUTE with excellence.  
We will not just hope for growth—we will WORK for harvest.  
We will not just dream about revival—we will PRAY it into existence.

We believe that what God has promised, He will perform.  
We believe that the vision is clear and the time is now.  
We believe that together, nothing is impossible with God.

*"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine..." — Ephesians 3:20-21*

## COVENANT SIGNATORIES

This covenant was declared corporately and entered into individually by the members and attendees of Life Touch Community Church on January 24, 2026.

Lead Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor Augustine Pokoo

Church Leadership Team:

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WITNESSED THIS DAY: January 24, 2026

*"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray..." — 2 Chronicles 7:14*

## SECTION 3

# 2026 COMMITMENT CARD

*"You did not choose me, but I chose you... bear fruit—fruit that will last." — John 15:16*

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to contact:  Call  Text  Email

## MY 2026 COMMITMENT TO GOD

Having heard the vision for 2026, I make the following commitments before God:

### SPIRITUAL GROWTH COMMITMENTS:

- Faithful Sunday attendance (except illness/travel)
- Daily quiet time with God (Target: \_\_\_\_\_ minutes/day)
- Reading through the Bible in 2026
- Participating in corporate prayer (Wednesday/monthly/fasting)
- Scripture memory (Target: \_\_\_\_\_ verses/month)

### COMMUNITY COMMITMENTS:

- Join and actively participate in a small group

Group preference: \_\_\_\_\_

- Attend at least 3 of 4 small group meetings monthly
- Build authentic relationships with 3-5 people in church
- Attend church-wide events and gatherings

### MINISTRY COMMITMENTS:

I commit to serving in the following ministry area(s):

- Worship & Creative Arts  Hospitality & Guest Services
- Children's Ministry  Care Ministry
- Prayer & Intercession  Evangelism & Outreach
- Small Group Leadership  Administration
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## EVANGELISM COMMITMENTS:

My "Top 5" People to Reach in 2026:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

- I commit to faithful tithing (10% of income)
- I commit to generous offerings above my tithe
- I commit to supporting vision projects
- I will participate in the faith-promise campaign (Q2)

## PRAYER & FASTING:

- Daily personal prayer (30 minutes minimum)
- Wednesday prayer meetings
- Fasting seasons: ■ 21-Day (Jan-Feb) ■ 14-Day (Aug) ■ 7-Day (Nov)

## MY COVENANT:

I covenant before God to fulfill these commitments with His help and grace.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Accountability Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner's Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 4

# 2026 PRAYER GUIDE

This prayer guide provides monthly focus areas and daily prayer points to support our journey through 2026.

## MONTHLY PRAYER THEMES

**January:** Planted by the River – Positioning in God's presence  
**February:** Pruning for Greater Fruit – Submission to God's process  
**March:** Blossoming in Adversity – Faith through trials  
**April:** Pollination & Connection – Building community  
**May:** Fruit of the Spirit – Character transformation  
**June:** Accountability & Growth – Iron sharpening iron  
**July:** Evangelistic Fruitfulness – Harvest focus  
**August:** Spiritual Disciplines – Prayer, fasting, worship  
**September:** Endurance – Finishing strong  
**October:** Multiplying Fruitfulness – Making disciples  
**November:** Gratitude & Thanksgiving – Counting blessings  
**December:** Abiding for Lasting Fruit – Sustaining growth

## PRAYER MEETING SCHEDULE

**Weekly:** Wednesday Prayer Service (7:00-8:30 PM)  
**Monthly:** First Friday All-Night Prayer (10 PM - 6 AM)  
**Monthly:** Last Saturday Strategic Prayer (9 AM - 12 PM)  
**Fasting Seasons:** Jan 26-Feb 15 | Aug 10-23 | Nov 16-22

## CORE PRAYER POINTS FOR 2026

### For Our Church:

- Spiritual fruitfulness in every member
- Growth from 20 to 50 members
- Launch of 3 thriving small groups
- Financial sustainability and breakthrough
- Unity, love, and authentic community

### For Our Leaders:

- Wisdom and vision for Pastor Augustine
- Anointing for leadership team
- Protection over their families

### For The Lost:

- 40+ salvations through personal evangelism
- Divine appointments and opportunities

- Boldness to share our faith

**For Our Community:**

- Favor in Plainfield
- Opportunities to serve
- Doors opened for ministry

## DAILY PRAYER PATTERN

### **Morning (15-20 minutes):**

1. Worship & Praise (5 min)
2. Scripture Reading (5 min)
3. Personal Petitions (5 min)
4. Intercession for Others (5 min)

### **Evening (10-15 minutes):**

1. Gratitude & Thanksgiving (5 min)
2. Confession & Repentance (3 min)
3. Protection & Rest (2 min)

### **Throughout the Day:**

- Brief prayers of gratitude
- Praying in the Spirit
- Interceding for your "Top 5"
- Blessing others you encounter

## KEY SCRIPTURE PRAYERS

**For Fruitfulness:** John 15:5, 16; Psalm 1:3; Galatians 5:22-23

**For Growth:** Acts 2:47; Ephesians 4:15-16; 2 Peter 3:18

**For Evangelism:** Matthew 9:37-38; Acts 1:8; Romans 1:16

**For Unity:** Psalm 133:1; Ephesians 4:3; Philippians 2:2

**For Provision:** Philippians 4:19; Malachi 3:10; 2 Corinthians 9:8

# SMALL GROUP FORMATION INFORMATION

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LIFE TOUCH COMMUNITY CHURCH

## SMALL GROUP FORMATION GUIDE

"Growing Together, Going Together"

2026

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### THE VISION:

No one should walk alone. Small groups provide the intimacy, accountability, and authentic community that Sunday services cannot offer alone. By December 2026, we will have thriving small groups covering all ages and life stages with plans to multiply as we grow.

### THE SCRIPTURE:

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

- Hebrews 10:24-25

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### WHY JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

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#### ✓ DEEPER RELATIONSHIPS

Move beyond surface-level Sunday friendships to authentic, life-giving relationships where you're known and loved.

#### ✓ SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Engage with God's Word in discussion, not just lecture. Ask questions, share insights, and apply truth together.

#### ✓ PASTORAL CARE

Receive prayer, support, and care during life's challenges. No one should face trials alone.

#### ✓ ACCOUNTABILITY

Walk with others who will encourage you, challenge you, and help you stay faithful to your commitments.

✓ MULTIPLICATION

Small groups create a culture where everyone can lead, serve, and eventually birth new groups.

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**OUR SMALL GROUPS (2026)**

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**GROUP 1: LIFE TOUCH YOUTH - YOUNG ADULTS & SINGLES**

Ages: 13-30

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Leader: Presious Gogo

Meeting Day: Mondays, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: 13242 S Rte. 59, Lower Level

Plainfield, IL 60585

Focus: Identity in Christ, navigating faith in the real world, purpose discovery, relationships, peer pressure, career preparation, and building godly character

Ideal for:

- Middle school and high school students (13-18)
- College students and young adults (18-25)
- Young professionals and singles (25-30)
- Anyone in the "finding myself" season of life

What Makes This Group Unique:

This group bridges the gap between youth and adulthood, creating a safe space for young people to ask hard questions, build authentic friendships, and discover their God-given purpose. Under the leadership of Presious Gogo, this group focuses on relevant, real-world application of biblical truth to the unique challenges facing young people today.

Activities May Include:

- Bible studies on identity, relationships, and calling
- Worship and prayer times

- Game nights and fellowship activities
- Service projects and community outreach
- Mentoring relationships with mature believers
- Social media and digital discipleship

Contact: Presious Gogo | (224) 508-5841 | precioustoohime@gmail.com

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## GROUP 2: WOMEN'S GROUP

All Ages Welcome

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Leader: Gloria Eghan

Meeting Day: Third Saturday of Every Month

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Location: 13242 S Rte. 59, Lower Level

Plainfield, IL 60585

Focus: Sisterhood, spiritual growth, biblical womanhood,  
prayer support, life application, and mutual  
encouragement

Ideal for:

- Women of all ages and life stages
- Single women, married women, mothers, and grandmothers
- Women seeking authentic female friendships
- Women desiring to grow in their walk with God
- Women wanting to support and pray for one another

What Makes This Group Unique:

This is a monthly gathering of women who want to encourage one another in their faith journey. Whether you're navigating marriage, raising children, pursuing a career, or walking through a difficult season, you'll find a sisterhood that understands and supports you. The monthly format allows for deeper preparation and more intentional connection.

Activities May Include:

- Topical Bible studies relevant to women's lives
- Prayer circles and intercession
- Testimony sharing and encouragement

- Life skills and practical wisdom sessions
- Special speakers and guest teachers
- Fellowship breakfast or brunch
- Service projects and community outreach

Monthly Themes for 2026:

- January: Vision & Purpose for the Year
- February: Spiritual Disciplines & Growth
- March: Beauty from Ashes (Resilience)
- April: Biblical Womanhood & Identity
- May: Motherhood & Mentoring
- June: Marriage & Relationships
- July: Evangelism & Witness
- August: Prayer & Fasting
- September: Perseverance & Faith
- October: Legacy & Discipleship
- November: Gratitude & Worship
- December: Abiding in Christ

Contact: Gloria Eghan | (630) 362-2022 | [geghanp@gmail.com](mailto:geghanp@gmail.com)

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#### GROUP 3: MEN'S GROUP

All Ages Welcome

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Leader: Pastor Augustine Pokoo

Meeting Day: Second Saturday of Every Month

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Location: 13242 S Rte. 59, Lower Level

Plainfield, IL 60585

Focus: Brotherhood, biblical manhood, spiritual leadership,  
accountability, prayer support, and kingdom building

Ideal for:

- Men of all ages and life stages
- Husbands, fathers, and grandfathers
- Single men pursuing godly character
- Men seeking to lead their families well
- Men wanting iron-sharpening-iron relationships

- Men desiring to grow as spiritual leaders

#### What Makes This Group Unique:

This is a monthly brotherhood where men can be real, vulnerable, and challenged to become the spiritual leaders God has called them to be. No masks, no pretense—just authentic men pursuing authentic faith. The monthly format creates anticipation and allows men to prepare for deep, meaningful conversations.

#### Activities May Include:

- Bible studies on manhood, leadership, and integrity
- Accountability groups and prayer partnerships
- Practical teaching on marriage, parenting, and work
- Service projects and hands-on ministry
- Occasional outdoor activities and fellowship
- Guest speakers and testimony sharing
- Strategic planning for family and spiritual goals

#### Monthly Themes for 2026:

- January: Men of Vision & Purpose
- February: Spiritual Disciplines for Men
- March: Standing Strong in Adversity
- April: Building Kingdom Partnerships
- May: Character & Integrity
- June: Accountability & Correction
- July: Soul Winning & Evangelism
- August: Prayer Warriors & Spiritual Warfare
- September: Endurance & Perseverance
- October: Raising Up the Next Generation
- November: Gratitude & Stewardship
- December: Leading Your Family Well

Contact: Pastor Augustine Pokoo | (312) 607-1172 | [augustine\\_pokoo@lifetouchcommunity.com](mailto:augustine_pokoo@lifetouchcommunity.com)

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#### WHAT TO EXPECT IN A SMALL GROUP MEETING

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#### TYPICAL 90-MINUTE WEEKLY MEETING FORMAT (Youth Group):

0:00 - 0:10 | WELCOME & CONNECTION

- Arrive, grab refreshments
- Icebreaker question or game

- Reconnect from the week

0:10 - 0:25 | WORSHIP

- 2-3 worship songs (live or recorded)
- Create atmosphere for God's presence
- Prayer and transition to study

0:25 - 1:05 | BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION

- Dive into Scripture or topical study
- Everyone encouraged to participate
- Discussion questions for application
- Leader facilitates (doesn't lecture)

1:05 - 1:25 | PRAYER & MINISTRY

- Share personal needs and requests
- Pray for one another
- Accountability check-ins
- Words of encouragement

1:25 - 1:30 | CLOSING & NEXT STEPS

- Recap of key points
- Reminder of next meeting
- Assignments for the week

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TYPICAL 2-HOUR MONTHLY MEETING FORMAT (Men's & Women's Groups):

0:00 - 0:15 | GATHERING & FELLOWSHIP

- Coffee/breakfast provided
- Informal connection time
- Welcome and introductions

0:15 - 0:25 | WORSHIP & PRAYER

- Opening worship
- Corporate prayer
- Set the atmosphere

0:25 - 1:15 | TEACHING & DISCUSSION

- Monthly theme teaching (30-40 minutes)
- Small group discussion (15-20 minutes)
- Q&A and application

1:15 - 1:45 | PRAYER & MINISTRY TIME

- Share needs and testimonies
- Intercessory prayer
- Personal ministry as needed

#### 1:45 - 2:00 | CLOSING & FELLOWSHIP

- Announcements and calendar
- Closing prayer
- Extended fellowship time

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#### HOW TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP

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##### STEP 1: DECIDE WHICH GROUP FITS YOUR LIFE

Consider your age, gender, schedule, and spiritual needs.

Not sure? Talk to Pastor Augustine for guidance.

##### STEP 2: SIGN UP

- Fill out commitment card tonight (Section: Small Groups)
- Email: [smallgroups@lifetouchministries.org](mailto:smallgroups@lifetouchministries.org)
- Call/Text: [Church Phone Number]
- Sign up after service at the Connection Table
- Contact the group leader directly

##### STEP 3: MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Youth Group (Weekly):

- Every Monday, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
- Starts: Monday, February 3, 2026

Women's Group (Monthly):

- Third Saturday of each month, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- First Meeting: Saturday, February 15, 2026

Men's Group (Monthly):

- Second Saturday of each month, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- First Meeting: Saturday, February 8, 2026

##### STEP 4: ATTEND YOUR FIRST MEETING

Come expectant! Your spiritual family is waiting for you.

First-time attendees will receive a special welcome and introduction to the group.

##### STEP 5: COMMIT TO CONSISTENCY

Give the group at least 3 months before evaluating. Authentic community takes time to develop. Consistency is key!

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## SMALL GROUP EXPECTATIONS

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### ATTENDANCE:

#### Youth Group (Weekly):

- Commit to attending at least 3 out of 4 meetings monthly
- Notify leader if you must miss
- Consistent participation builds trust and depth

#### Men's & Women's Groups (Monthly):

- Commit to attending at least 9 out of 12 meetings yearly
- Monthly meetings are easier to commit to
- Mark your calendar for the entire year

### PARTICIPATION:

- Come prepared (read assigned materials if applicable)
- Engage in discussions (no silent spectators)
- Share your life authentically
- Pray for group members throughout the month/week
- Support one another in practical ways

### CONFIDENTIALITY:

- What's shared in the group stays in the group
- Honor vulnerability with discretion
- Build a safe space for authenticity
- Respect privacy and personal boundaries

### GROWTH & MULTIPLICATION:

- Small groups are designed to grow and multiply
- Youth Group may split into age-specific groups as it grows
- Men's and Women's groups may add additional monthly meetings
- Be willing to help birth new groups when needed
- Senior members may be asked to lead new groups

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Q: What if I can't make a meeting?

A: Life happens! Just notify your leader. Missing occasionally is okay, but consistent attendance is important for building relationships.

Q: I'm new to the church. Can I still join?

A: Absolutely! Small groups are one of the best ways to get connected quickly. Everyone is welcome!

Q: Do I need to bring anything?

A: Just yourself and an open heart! Bible and notebook are helpful but not required. Refreshments are typically provided.

Q: Is childcare provided?

A: Youth Group (Mondays) - No, this is for ages 13-30

Women's Group (Saturdays) - Currently no, but we can arrange if multiple women have this need

Men's Group (Saturdays) - No, but bring your teen sons if appropriate

Q: What if I miss the first meeting?

A: You can join at any time! Contact the leader, and they'll get you caught up. It's never too late to plug in.

Q: Can I attend more than one group?

A: If your schedule allows, yes! Some may attend Youth Group weekly and Women's/Men's Group monthly.

Q: What curriculum will we use?

A: Groups will primarily follow our monthly sermon themes, ensuring alignment with the church's vision. Some groups may supplement with additional materials.

Q: How long do the groups last?

A: We're committing to run these groups through December 2026, with plans to continue and multiply in 2027 and beyond.

Q: What if I want to lead a group?

A: Praise God! Talk to Pastor Augustine about leadership training. We're always looking for qualified leaders to help us multiply groups.

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YOUTH GROUP - EVERY MONDAY, 6:00-7:30 PM

(No meetings on holidays or special church events)

Starting: Monday, February 3, 2026

MEN'S GROUP - SECOND SATURDAY, 9:00-11:00 AM

- February 8 • March 8 • April 12 • May 10  
- June 14 • July 12 • August 9 • September 13  
- October 11 • November 8 • December 13

WOMEN'S GROUP - THIRD SATURDAY, 9:00-11:00 AM

- February 15 • March 15 • April 19 • May 17  
- June 21 • July 19 • August 16 • September 20  
- October 18 • November 15 • December 20

ALL GROUPS MEET AT:

13242 S Rte. 59, Lower Level

Plainfield, IL 60585

PARKING: Available in front and side lot

ENTRANCE: Use lower level entrance (signs will direct you)

ACCESSIBILITY: Wheelchair accessible

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YOUR SMALL GROUP COMMITMENT

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, commit to joining a small group in 2026. I understand that authentic community requires consistency, vulnerability, and participation. I commit to:

- Attend regularly as outlined for my chosen group
- Participate actively in discussions and prayer
- Build authentic relationships with group members
- Keep confidentiality and create a safe space
- Support the group's growth and eventual multiplication

My Group Choice (check one):

- Life Touch Youth (Young Adults & Singles) - Mondays, 6:00 PM
- Women's Group - 3rd Saturday, 9:00 AM
- Men's Group - 2nd Saturday, 9:00 AM

My Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age (for Youth Group participants): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs, allergies, or requests:

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I have transportation to meetings:  Yes  No, I need a ride

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

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#### SMALL GROUP LEADER CONTACT INFORMATION

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##### YOUTH GROUP (Life Touch Youth)

Leader: Presious Gogo

Phone: (224) 508-5841

Email: precioustoachime@gmail.com

##### WOMEN'S GROUP

Leader: Gloria Eghan

Phone: (630) 362-2022

Email: geghanp@gmail.com

##### MEN'S GROUP

Leader: Pastor Augustine Pokoo

Phone: (312) 607-1172

Email: augustine\_pokoo@lifetouchcommunity.com

## GENERAL SMALL GROUP INQUIRIES:

Pastor Augustine Pokoo

Phone: (312) 607-1172

Email: [augustine\\_pokoo@lifetouchcommunity.com](mailto:augustine_pokoo@lifetouchcommunity.com)

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## NEXT STEPS AFTER SIGNING UP

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### WITHIN 48 HOURS:

You'll receive a confirmation text/email with:

- Welcome message from your group leader
- Meeting location and parking details
- What to expect at your first meeting
- Any pre-meeting materials to review

### ONE WEEK BEFORE FIRST MEETING:

- Reminder text/email sent
- Any updates or special instructions
- Prayer requests can be submitted early

### AT YOUR FIRST MEETING:

- Arrive 10 minutes early if possible
- You'll receive a warm welcome
- Brief orientation to the group
- Introduction to other members
- Overview of what to expect going forward

### AFTER YOUR FIRST MEETING:

- Group leader will follow up with you
- You'll be added to group communication (text/email chain)
- Calendar of upcoming meetings sent
- Connection with an accountability partner

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## WHY THIS MATTERS FOR OUR 2026 VISION

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Small groups are not just a nice addition to church—they are ESSENTIAL to our vision of "Fruitful by Design." Here's why:

## DISCIPLESHIP HAPPENS IN SMALL GROUPS

Sunday sermons inspire, but small groups transform. Real spiritual growth happens in the context of relationship, accountability, and consistent application of God's Word.

#### EVANGELISM FLOWS FROM SMALL GROUPS

When members are connected in authentic community, they naturally invite others. Small groups multiply our evangelistic reach exponentially.

#### PASTORAL CARE MULTIPLIES THROUGH SMALL GROUPS

Pastor Augustine cannot personally care for 50 people alone. Small groups create a culture of mutual care where everyone is shepherded and no one falls through the cracks.

#### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPS IN SMALL GROUPS

Future pastors, ministry leaders, and group facilitators are identified and trained through small group participation. This is our leadership pipeline.

#### UNITY STRENGTHENS IN SMALL GROUPS

Deep relationships built in small groups create unshakeable unity in the church. When you know and love your brothers and sisters, division has no place.

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#### OUR SMALL GROUP VISION FOR THE FUTURE

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##### 2026 GOALS:

- 3 functioning groups (Youth, Women, Men)
- 75%+ of church members actively participating
- At least 30 people engaged in small groups by year-end

##### 2027 VISION:

- Add 2 more groups (Couples, General/Mixed)
- Youth Group splits into Teens (13-18) and Young Adults (19-30)
- Women's Group adds an evening option for working women
- Men's Group adds a weekday evening option
- 100% of members in a small group

##### 2028 AND BEYOND:

- Geographic-based groups (North Plainfield, South Plainfield)
- Specialized groups (Recovery, Singles Parents, etc.)

- Every group birthing new groups annually
- Small group ministry becomes the backbone of church growth

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"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up."

- Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

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