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The Field Guide for Small Group Leaders provides basic training and support to help small group leaders succeed in the critical mission of leading others toward spiritual growth and transformation. The premise of serving as a small group leader sounds simple: Invite people to join you in studying the Bible. But the real-world implications of that role are incredibly complex. Today's small group leaders are asked to function as semi-experts in theology, psychology, evangelism, worship, apologetics, counseling, education, and nutrition--all in service to God and His church. Most of today's group leaders receive little or no training on how to carry out this important work. They are told to "Go and make disciples," then left to figure out the details on their own. Sam O'Neal (a small group leader himself), wrote The Field Guide for Small Group Leaders to help fellow leaders navigate this confusion and map out a plan for successful, transformational, and rewarding meetings. The Field Guide provides helpful information on: Curriculum and planning. Learning styles. Icebreakers and learning activities. Crafting discussion questions. Worship and prayer. What to do when things don't go as planned. And more. Whether you lead a small group, life group, or Sunday school class, this guide will give you confidence and practical tools for fostering meaningful connections, genuine community, and spiritual growth that so many are desperate for. This book provides pastors and church leaders with the vision, values, and initial steps necessary to begin building a church where small groups are integrated throughout the entire ministry. So you're leading a small group? Your small group can accomplish big things in the lives of your teenagers. And in Help! I'm a Small-Group Leader! you'll find methods and approaches you can use. Foibles and minefields to avoid. Solutions and tips that will help you nurture your small group into a growing community, whatever you goals. Inside you'll discover -- How to put small groups together - How NOT to lead a small group - How to start a discussion -- and KEEP IT GOING - How to ASK QUESTIONS that

get responses - Three kinds of BIBLE STUDY questions to ask - How to work with DIFFERENT personalities in a small group - How to help you kids LEARN TO PRAY - 10 ideas for BUILDING COMMUNITY in your small group . . . and to top it off are 20 pages of questions (100 questions, to be exact) that you can use in your small group Bible study, on the most common subjects discussed in junior and senior high small groups. All this in a no-frills, straight-to-the-point style -- perfect for volunteer small-group leaders, or for youth pastors or youth directors to lead their staffs through. Now completely rewritten, updated and expanded for a new generation of small group leaders, this IVP classic contains everything you need to know about small groups: starting with a strong biblical and strategic foundation; building in 4 key components--community, nurture, worship and outreach; guiding the group through its life stages; creating good communication; handling conflict in the group; encouraging members to "own" the group; planning group meetings; and developing leadership skills. And besides warm, wise counsel, Small Group Leaders' Handbook includes a resource section that's overflowing with great ideas: ice breakers, application steps, community-building projects, outreach tips and much more! Whether you are starting a new group, working to get a group back on track, or introducing a small group program as part of church or parachurch ministry, here is your ticket to effective foundations, training and practice. An excellent resource for training leaders to establish cohesive, growing small groups. If you're a small group leader, you believe in the power of community. You know that every stage and phase of life needs a unique kind of influence. But what exactly do you do? What exactly is your job? It's possible that you may feel lost at times, like your role falls somewhere between a parent and a friend, a coach and a teacher. But remember, you aren't supposed to be any of those things. You are a little of all of those things. Small groups come in many sizes. Those who wear diapers. Those who

watch Disney. Those who are learning to drive. Those who are picking a college. *Lead Small: Five Big Ideas Every Small Group Leader Needs to Know* clarifies the responsibilities of the small group leader who works with children and teenagers. It establishes five common threads so that those who choose to lead in any size church can work off the same blueprint. When you lead small, you realize that what you do for a few has more potential than what you do for many. When you lead small, you choose to invest in the lives of a few to encourage authentic faith. With personal insight and practical advice, Reggie Joiner and Tom Shefchunas will show you how to do something small for a big impact. Insights, tips, and suggestions for small group of leaders. When put into play, these bite-sized, consumable pieces of wisdom help leaders "knock it out of the park" and set them up to win. Most work in the field of Christian leadership has focused on the leader and techniques of management and control. Effective Christian leadership begins with the focus on people and God's purpose for them. With the model of Jesus and His disciples as her starting point, Billie Davis has provided a tool for developing a small group ministry in which members' strengths and gifts are used to help one another in the biblical sense of Body. Applying an age-level and intercultural approach, Davis examines the structure of groups, how the group influences learning and spiritual development, and the roles people take within groups. Each chapter has self-directed learning exercises and a bibliography of current resources to enhance the reader's experience. A survey of resources about small groups at the beginning of the 1990s led to a discovery: Many books on small groups carried an instructional content and touched on groups as instrumental in delivery of that specific subject matter. How a leader was to function relative to a group was discussed as a matter of how to manage an instructional hour. The potential of groups for making connections and building community and serving others was largely unrecognized. What a group leader

might do to pull together and maintain a group, or how a group leader might become acknowledged as part of a larger leadership strategy for service and outreach was simply unaddressed. From the insights developed in his complex and widely recommended *Prepare Your Church for the Future*, best-selling author Carl George extracts the most basic, practical elements of how an individual leader can contribute to the well-being of others and the overall organization. He interprets the role of a group leader in language that is easily understood and remembered: nine commitments leading to a partnership with professional church leaders. Pastors and church consultants consistently report that the people exposed to these nine keys are easy to work with. They readily grasp the reasonableness of the principles, which help them be trustworthy team players in this matter of shared ministry. From the forward, by Robert Coleman, Director of the Billy Graham Institute: "This book speaks to our need for practical leadership training. With profound simplicity, it describes how small groups grow through loving relationships as readers build up one another in the faith. More importantly, the reader learn ways to prepare yourself for leadership in the group. The sequential steps show readers how to bring others into the circle of love, and in the process, how to enlarge your outreach by multiplying disciple makers." This 2007 edition includes an updated Appendix, describing recent developments in the fi Over the past two decades, small groups have gone from spontaneous gatherings among friends to a major and elaborate phenomenon in the church. Many evangelical churches have some form of small groups ministry in place. But there's just one problem, says Bill Search--what started as a simple get-together has become a complicated process, especially for small group leaders. They are often not sure what is expected of them or what to expect from their groups as a result of their efforts. In *Simple Small Groups*, Search lays out the three C's of small groups--connecting, changing, and cultivating. This paradigm helps to simplify leading

small groups in a way that is helpful, rewarding, and life changing. Unlike many other books geared toward small group leaders, Simple Small Groups does not require a church-wide adoption of an intricately designed system of assimilation, making it useful to any small group leader looking for guidance. Like nothing else, small groups have the power to change lives. They are the ideal route to discipleship—a place where the rubber of biblical truth meets the road of human relationships. However, church leaders often feel at a loss when it comes to assessing the strengths and weaknesses of group life in a church, and they struggle with understanding and solving the root causes of problems. Group Life resources provide, in ebook format, the practical tools and training resources needed to develop life-changing small group leaders, coaches to shepherd group leaders, and ultimately, a thriving church-wide small group ministry. These resources include the updated and revised versions of the best-selling *Leading Life-Changing Small Groups* and *Coaching Life-Changing Small Group Leaders*, the new *Building a Life-Changing Small Group Ministry* and the supplemental *Group Life Training DVD*. Appropriate for individual or group study, the books function as manuals and workbooks that teach and allow readers to process and record information as they learn. Downloadable web-based vision clips and supplemental videos in the DVD help readers explore and discuss topics further. Group Life Resources conveniently integrate with the ReGroup™ curriculum, giving trainers the option to use them together. Bill Donahue and Russ Robinson's *Building a Life-Changing Small Group Ministry* presents a broad introduction for pastors and point leaders to use as they navigate through the process of establishing and developing independent groups or a church-wide ministry of small groups. Over the past fifteen years, small groups have become a vital way to build community in large churches. Nowhere has this been more apparent than at Saddleback Church. Now Steve Gladen, pastor of small groups at

Saddleback, shares the secrets of that ministry's incredible success in creating small groups with purpose. This practical book walks church leaders through the questions they need to answer to develop their own intentional small group strategy. Built around the most commonly asked questions, *Small Groups with Purpose* outlines the step-by-step process of creating a successful small group ministry. Because it is built upon principles and not methods, this plan can be implemented in any size church. Each chapter ends with a list of questions for readers to answer to help them assess their current situation and their desires for the future. Personal stories, Scripture, and examples ground the discussion and show the system in action. Pastors and small group leaders will find this book instrumental in making small groups work in their churches. Now that you've stepped forward to lead a group or are currently leading a group, you have made yourself available for God to use you. And, he will! There is no more thrilling experience than to allow God to minister through you to your group members. You will see prayers answered. You will see lives transformed. You will witness potential leaders growing out of your group. That may sound like a lot, but it's not your work. It's God's work in you and through you. Your role is making yourself available to fulfill God's purposes in your group. *Leading Healthy Groups* is a complete guide to leading small groups which was created for both new and experienced group leaders. Whether you are leading your very first meeting and are unsure of how to arrange the furniture to handling childcare to navigating group dynamics and special situations, Allen draws from his 28 years of ministry experience to guide you every step of the way. Group life certainly involves meetings to study God's Word, but it involves so much more in becoming a healthy, dynamic small group. In this book, you will learn how to: *Start Your Group*, if you're leading for the first time. *Connect with Your Coach* (or even find one). *Plan Your First Meeting* (step by step). *Develop Your Group Members*. Make

Disciples. Navigate Group Dynamics. Set Group Boundaries (so you don't burn out). Launch Others into Leadership. Based on questions asked by his own small group leaders, Allen takes the time to walk you through what will help your group and what might hurt your group. Hundreds of small group leaders have benefited from this training already. The goal of youth ministry is "real" transformation. But "polite" youth ministry—when teenagers show up, say nice things to each other, yet never get real with one another—is not how transformational discipleship happens. Authors Tighe and Thomas believe leading young people into an intimate, abiding relationship with Jesus is the most important investment small-group leaders can make in life. And they truly believe that anyone who cares for teenagers can do it! Real ministry happens when volunteers/small-group leaders are equipped and empowered to reach and develop relationships that make a difference in the lives of the teenagers. But so many don't feel like they really know how. *Small-Group Leader's Quick Guide to (Almost) Everything* gives your volunteers the practical training they need in the bite-size format they'll appreciate. This book is like a satisfying "protein bar" for youth ministry volunteers. It's made for busy people who want to make a big difference in the lives of teenagers. Here's some of what you'll find packed into this quick guide:

- Why relationships are EVERYTHING in youth ministry, and how to pour fuel on that fire
- How to "decode" teenagers' behavior in the moment and respond in a meaningful way
- Why experiencing a relationship with Jesus matters more than just knowing facts
- How to help hurting teenagers
- How to set healthy boundaries for you and the teenagers
- And so much more!

If you're a volunteer youth worker who cares for teenagers, you don't have to be "cool" or wear skinny jeans or have a theological degree. You just need to have a desire to be present in the lives of students and feel equipped to respond. This book helps you do that... Your leaders really can lead cell group meetings that cause the members to say

"WOW!" This book will show your leaders how to: -hear God during the meeting -structure the meeting so that it flows -spur the group members to participate and share openly -create stimulating questions -listen effectively -and see the details that create a warm, inviting atmosphere for unbelievers Do people expectantly return to your group meetings every week? Do you have fun and experience joy during your meetings? Is everyone participating in discussion and ministry? You can lead a great cell group meeting, one that is life-changing and dynamic. Most people don't realize that they can create a God-filled atmosphere because they don't know-how. Now the secret is out. This guide will show you how to: -Prepare yourself spiritually to hear God during the meeting -Structure the meeting so it flows -Spur people in the group to participate and share their lives openly - Share your life with others in the group -Create stimulating questions -Listen effectively to discover what is transpiring in others' lives -Encourage and edify group members -Open the group to non-Christians -See the details that create a warm atmosphere By implementing these time-tested ideas, your group meetings will become the hot item of your members' week. They will go home wanting more and return each week bringing new people with them. What do we mean when we talk about small groups? And more importantly: what do we expect to happen when people gather in this way? The small group that wrote this book—made up of current and former campus ministry professionals with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship—explores these questions and gives you everything you need to know about small groups, including foundations, key components, life stages, planning, communication, conflict, leadership and more!

Assessment and solution for seven common obstacles to building small groups. It's one thing to start a small group ministry. It's another to keep the groups in your church healthy and headed in the same direction. Whatever your church's approach maybe—whether it is a church with groups or of groups—sooner

or later, as a leader, you'll need to do some troubleshooting. That's when the expert, to-the-point guidance in this book will prove its worth. The beauty of this book lies in its unique diagnostic process. It allows you to assess, diagnose, and correct seven common "deadly sins" that can drain the life from your church's small group ministry. In *The Seven Deadly Sins of Small Group Ministry*, what would take you years to learn through trial and error is distilled into some of the most useful information you can find. Drawing on the knowledge they've gleaned from working inside Willow Creek Community Church, from consulting with hundreds of churches, and from conducting conferences and seminars worldwide, small group experts Bill Donahue and Russ Robinson furnish you with proven, real-life solutions to the toughest problems in your small group ministry. This is not theory—it is hands-on material you can read and apply today.

Six Ways to Improve Your Balance as a Group Leader Leading a successful small group is like walking a tightrope. You traverse a taut, exciting line, balancing the dynamic tensions characteristic of every group. Drawing from the concept of "polarity management," Bill Donahue and Russ Robinson help you understand and deal with six dynamic areas every group leader must manage in order to create genuine, transforming small group community. Your group is in for unprecedented connection and growth when you harness the interplay between • Truth and Life • Care and Discipleship • Friendship and Accountability • Kindness and Confrontation • Task and People • Openness and Intimacy. Effective, life-giving small groups learn how to embrace both ends of each continuum. *Walking the Small Group Tightrope* will strengthen your sense of balance, help you gain confidence as a leader, and show you how to release the untapped creative and relational energy in your group. *The Small Group Leaders Handbook* provides a solid scriptural foundation upon which to build your small group ministry. By combining biblical teaching with practical guidelines,

this book provides a balanced and thorough exploration of small group ministry in the 21st century. Most small-group leaders don't have time to read a book on small groups. Most barely have time to lead a group, much less explore the ins and outs of group ministry. They just want to know how to lead their group well! In this book, you'll find simple, clear answers presented in quick lists so you can easily find what you need. Like nothing else, small groups have the power to change lives. They are the ideal route to discipleship—a place where the rubber of biblical truth meets the road of human relationships. However, church leaders often feel at a loss when it comes to assessing the strengths and weaknesses of group life in a church, and they struggle with understanding and solving the root causes of problems. Group Life resources provide in this ebook the practical tools and training resources needed to develop life-changing small group leaders, coaches to shepherd group leaders, and ultimately, a thriving church-wide small group ministry. These resources include the updated and revised versions of the best-selling *Leading Life-Changing Small Groups* and *Coaching Life-Changing Small Group Leaders*, the new *Building a Life-Changing Small Group Ministry* and the supplemental *Group Life Training DVD*. Appropriate for individual or group study, the books function as manuals and workbooks that teach and allow readers to process and record information as they learn. Downloadable web-based vision clips and supplemental videos in the DVD help readers explore and discuss topics further. Group Life Resources conveniently integrate with the ReGroup™ curriculum, giving trainers the option to use them together. Church leaders can use the revised edition of Bill Donahue and Greg Bowman's *Coaching Life-Changing Small Group Leaders* participant's guide and the supplemental DVD and vision clips to prepare small group coaches to nurture and develop small group leaders. The guide functions as a manual and workbook that allows trainees to process and record information as they learn. Trainers can use

the materials during group or individual sessions. Lead small groups through astounding growth with principles from the best-selling books *How People Grow* and *Boundaries*. No matter what need brings a group of people together—from marriage enrichment to divorce recovery, from grief recovery to spiritual formation—members are part of a small group because they want to grow. This book by psychologists Henry Cloud and John Townsend provides small-group leaders with valuable guidance and information on how they can help their groups to grow spiritually, emotionally, and relationally. With insights from their best-selling book *How People Grow*, Cloud and Townsend show how God's plan for growth is made up of three key elements: grace plus truth plus time. When groups embrace those elements, they find God's grace and forgiveness and learn how to handle their imperfections without shame as they model God's love and support to one another. In addition to describing what makes small groups work, *Leading Small Groups That Help People Grow* explains the roles and responsibilities of both leaders and group members. Employing tenets from the book *How People Grow*, this book equips leaders to understand the ins and outs of how to promote growth, and using principles from their best-selling book *Boundaries*, they show how to identify and find solutions for common problems such as boredom, noncompliance, passivity, aggression, narcissism, spiritualization, over-neediness, over-giving, and nonstop talking. A practical guide to creating a Bible study for your small group. What's so big about small groups? With proven results in drawing people into community and helping them grow to maturity in Christ, small groups have established themselves as a crucial ministry of the church to its members and its mission field. But whether leading a small group, coaching small group leaders or implementing a church wide minist... Leading a small group can literally change the world. We have been commissioned to make disciples who make disciples, and Jesus showed us that the best way to carry that out is through

small groups of believers. Just like the first-century church, small groups form the foundation to take the gospel to the ends of the earth. Chris Surratt, Discipleship and Small Groups Specialist for Lifeway Christian Resources, and author of *Small Groups for the Rest of Us*, wants to help you get from here to there. Regardless of whether you have never lead a small group or have been leading one for years, all of us want to know how to create environments where spiritual growth takes place and communities are changed. *Leading Small Groups* walks the reader through the stages of gathering, launching, leading, and multiplying a gospel-centered small group. There are also follow-up questions for discussion and reflection at the end of each section, and practical resources that can be implemented immediately by the small group leader. Jesus left his followers with a task—the Great Commission. This book will help small group leaders and churches in their obedience to this task. Most churches in America struggle to have a significant percentage of their adult attendance in small groups. According to recent research done by Lifeway Research, only “33 percent of churchgoers attend classes or groups for adults (such as Sunday school, Bible study, small groups, or Adult Bible Fellowships) four or more times in a typical month. Fourteen percent attend two or three times a month.” Life transformation happens best within the context of community, so if a church is going to be intentional about discipleship they have to develop on-ramps to small groups that reach people on the fringes and beyond. If we continue to offer small groups to the normal church attenders, a majority of the people who show up to church are never reached. Pastors, church staff and small group leaders are trying to figure out how to make small groups work in their church and they don’t know how. *Small Groups For The Rest Of Us* gives them practical, proven strategies on moving people from the fringes into biblically based communities. This practical book walks church leadership through the questions they need to answer to develop

their own intentional small group strategy. Built around the most commonly asked questions, it outlines the step-by-step process of creating a successful small group ministry. Because it is built upon principles and not methods, this plan can be implemented in any size church. Each chapter ends with a list of questions for leaders to answer to help them assess their current situation and their desires for the future. A short, practical book that encourages leaders of small groups to grow in 5 key areas: knowledge of God, character, teaching ability, encouragement of others, and team leadership. Small groups are a great way to promote the spiritual formation of church attendees. But leading them well can be hard work, especially if you don't have a plan. This practical resource helps pastors and small group point people develop and implement a 12- to 18-month strategic plan for their ministries in order to keep it healthy and growing. Developed at Saddleback Church, this completely customizable plan works for any church size and any denomination. Readers answer 22 questions that help them understand their vision, the purpose of their ministry, and how to connect members, grow numerically and spiritually, measure progress, develop leaders, create opportunities to serve, and much more. By the time they're done, readers will have developed their own personalized planner for the next year to 18 months so that they can feel prepared, confident, and purposeful about their small group ministry. God does big things through small groups: He heals, unifies, encourages, and equips. Christ trained his twelve apostles in a small group. Paul and Barnabas were called to international missions while participating in a small group (Acts 13:1-3). Essentially, all believers owe something to those initial small groups, and many of us have experienced great blessing through contemporary ones. God does big things through small groups, and that's why we participate in them and aim to lead them. In this study, we will look at the WHY of small group leadership. Why should we participate in and lead them? We will consider the

WHAT of small group leadership, as we look at types of small groups, their elements, and their focus. We will look at the WHO of small group leadership, as we consider qualities of good small group leaders. Finally, we will look at the HOW of small group leadership, as we consider the skills of a leader, the basic order of a small group gathering, and a sample Bible study lesson. Let's learn more about excelling at this strategic ministry together with *The Bible Teacher's Guide*. "Helpful to both the layman and the serious student, *The Bible Teacher's Guide*, by Dr. Greg Brown, is outstanding!" -Dr. Neal Weaver, President of Louisiana Baptist University Bible study groups, fellowship groups, Support groups, task groups. "Steve Gladen, pastor of small groups at Saddleback Church for more than a decade, takes you step-by-step toward a healthy, dynamic group with focus and purpose. For the new small group leader, the seasoned leader who feels their small group lacks purpose, or the leader who is itching to move their small group to the next level, *Leading Small Groups with Purpose* is the road map to follow. Every chapter includes ideas that you can implement immediately, as well as ways to shape your small group over time. With Gladen's expert help, you will define success clearly, develop a personal leadership plan, invite members into your group, and help members fulfill the Great Commission and the Great Commandment." -- Publisher description. In Matthew 28:18-20 Jesus makes the mission of the church abundantly clear: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations ..." But how do you reach a twenty-first-century society filled with diverse backgrounds and varying levels of religious interest? And how can you expect to grow the body of Christ when only half of your own congregation regularly attends services? The answer may be simpler than you think: involve and empower the laity in small-group ministry. Kurt W. Johnson not only provides the tools for organizing and leading successful small groups, but also explores the biblical and historical foundations for small-group ministry. In this practical guide

Johnson illustrates the proven effectiveness that small groups have for both nurturing the spirituality of current church members and leading friends, neighbors, coworkers, and others to a saving relationship with Christ. Do you want to fulfill Jesus' Great Commission? Discover how you and your church can change the world around you through the power of the Holy Spirit.

one disciple at a time. Kurt W. Johnson, D.Min., is the Bible school director for the Voice of Prophecy international radio ministry. His enthusiasm for small-group ministry has led him to conduct training sessions internationally and to author multiple group Bible study guides, including Face to Face. With Jesus and Focus on Prophecy. Book jacket. A 5-week course for training small group leaders to understand the purpose of small groups and what their role is as leader, and to be able to carry out the key aspects of that role. Whether you're a new or seasoned group leader, or whether your group is well-established or just getting started, this four-session video-based Bible study (DVD/digital video sold separately) will lead you and your group together to a remarkable new closeness and effectiveness. Designed to foster healthy group interaction and facilitate maximum growth, this innovative approach equips both group leaders and members with essential skills and values for creating and sustaining truly life-changing small groups. Designed for use with the Making Your Small Group Work Video Study (sold separately). Nearly every church is trying to help their congregants build relationships with others, grow as disciples, and/or engage in meaningful service through small groups. Many have argued that these small groups are the preferred vehicle for relationship building, disciple making, and membership assimilation in the local church, especially in large, multisite churches. Leading Small Groups That Thrive shows small group leaders, step by step, how to plan for, launch, build, sustain, and multiply highly effective, transformational, healthy small group experiences where people grow spiritually together. Based on a large-scale research study

of small group pastors, leaders, and members, *Leading Small Groups That Thrive* gives church leaders both what they want--practical, straightforward, actual small group member voices and experiences, and compelling guidance on how to build transformational groups complemented with real-life examples and data of successful small groups--and what they need--substantial, challenging insights and a data-driven model grounded in the latest research on church small groups. WITH OVER 30 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN LEADING SMALL GROUPS, Larry Kreider writes, I am completely convinced that if God can use me, He can use anyone! Most people have untapped leadership potential, and unleashing those abilities is often just a matter of equipment and motivation. *What Every Small-Group Leader Should Know* is the go-to guide for pl... Small groups transform churches—and lives. Small group leaders often feel the weight of shepherding their members. But who shepherds the shepherd? And what are the best ways to provide that support and guidance? These are the questions answered in *Coaching Life-Changing Small Group Leaders*. When you're called to coach a small group leader in your church, your mind may be filled with questions: Am I godly enough? What do I have to offer? How do I begin? Although the challenge seems immense, this handbook breaks down the work into reassuring and achievable steps. Originally self-published by Willow Creek Community Church, this expanded and improved edition offers field-tested and biblically supported advice on such topics as modeling a surrendered life to those you shepherd gaining the tools and wisdom you need for coaching helping leaders grow spiritually nurturing the spiritual development and support of leaders. For those who want to coach with excellence and truly help small group leaders thrive, this go-to guide offers practical answers and inspiring examples. You'll find both challenge and promise in these pages as you learn to carry forth your God-given calling with confidence. "We ask small group leaders to come alongside their group members, but often

no one comes alongside them. This is a great tool from two people who have done exactly that for a long time. Small group leaders everywhere will benefit from this kind of coaching.” Like nothing else, small groups have the power to change lives. They are the ideal route to discipleship—a place where the rubber of biblical truth meets the road of human relationships. However, church leaders often feel at a loss when it comes to assessing the strengths and weaknesses of group life in a church, and they struggle with understanding and solving the root causes of problems. Group Life resources provide in ebook format the practical tools and training resources needed to develop life-changing small group leaders, coaches to shepherd group leaders, and ultimately, a thriving church-wide small group ministry. These resources include the updated and revised versions of the best-selling *Leading Life-Changing Small Groups* and *Coaching Life-Changing Small Group Leaders*, the new *Building a Life-Changing Small Group Ministry* and the supplemental *Group Life Training DVD*. Appropriate for individual or group study, the books function as manuals and workbooks that teach and allow readers to process and record information as they learn. Downloadable web-based vision clips and supplemental videos in the DVD help readers explore and discuss topics further. Group Life Resources conveniently integrate with the ReGroup™ curriculum, giving trainers the option to use them together. The updated and revised third edition of Bill Donahue’s best-selling *Leading Life-Changing Small Groups* will help church leaders prepare small group leaders who can successfully facilitate gatherings and shepherd group participants.

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