



Schedule and Confidential Questionnaire Registration Form

Dear Applicant

Grace Groups will be offered in January of 2008 winter schedule. **Please respond by filling out the attached registration form.** Your answers will be kept confidential and shared only with the staff (Ken Jones) placing you into the group and your Grace group leaders. Groups are limited in size; therefore your registration will be filed and dated when you receive your completed form and your \$25 fee. The registration fee is non-refundable. If the fee is a hardship for you please contact: Ken Jones 885-0693 or 535-5200.

We ask that you be committed to group dates and times. Be sure to put the session dates on your calendar. Please enclose, along with this application, a check made out to **the Franklin Church of Christ**.

On receiving your form and check, a place will be reserved for you in one of our groups. Once the groups start, we will not be accepting new applicants.

Thank you,

The Grace Group Team

Grace Group Application Form

Please Print

Name _____ DOB _____ Age _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____

Telephone (Cell) _____ Email _____

Church Affiliation _____

Occupation _____ Marital Status _____

Feel free to use additional paper if needed.

Briefly describe at least three events from your past that have most influenced the beliefs you have about yourself, God, others, and the world in general.

1)

2)

3)

What were the specific types of wounds you experienced ...

Type of Abuse			Age Abuse Occurred	Relationship of Abuser to You
Domestic/Spousal	Yes	No		
Emotional	Yes	No		
Physical	Yes	No		
Sexual	Yes	No		
Spiritual	Yes	No		
Verbal	Yes	No		
Satanic Ritual	Yes	No		
Abandonment	Yes	No		
Betrayal	Yes	No		
Other Abuse	Yes	No		

Have you in the past, or are you currently receiving professional counseling?
Yes No

What other help have you pursued in your healing including but not limited to lay counselor, pastor, books, radio, and seminars?

Have you read any of the following books?

1. The Wounded Heart by Dan Allender
2. Wounded by Terry Wardle
3. Inside Out by Larry Crabb

What do you hope to gain by participating in a Grace group?

What are your fears in coming to Grace Groups?

How did you hear about Grace Groups?

Disclaimer: This ministry is not intended to substitute for mental health, medical, pastoral, legal, or other professional services. If expert assistance is required, the services of a competent professional should be sought.

GRACE GROUP GUIDELINES

1. **REGULAR ATTENDANCE:** You are encouraged to attend regularly, and to let your leaders know if you cannot attend.
2. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** What is said in the group stays in the group. Nothing said or done in the group is to be discussed outside the group without permission of those involved. If it happens, be sure to tell the group.
3. **RESPECT OTHERS:** We do not advise, analyze, or “fix” others. We don’t preach at other group members. Each person is free to find his or her own answers. We do not “interrogate” others. We ask permission to enter.
4. **SHARE PERSONALLY:** We are here to work on our own issues, not others. We use “I” statements, we share our own experience, insights, and feelings – meaningful aspects of ourselves.
5. **LIMIT SHARING:** We are considerate of the need for all to share, and when necessary, limit our own sharing time to give others a chance to enter in.
6. **ALLOW FEELINGS:** We do not touch/hug or interfere in an emotional situation without being asked or asking permission. We do not minimize hurts, ignore or explain them away, or rescue people from their feelings.
7. **NO GRAPHIC DETAILS:** We do not give unnecessary details (especially about abuse) which might serve as a trigger for others.
8. **LISTEN:** We avoid cross talk and give each person who shares our undivided attention, without offering unsolicited advice.
9. **CONSIDER OTHERS:** We guard against offending one another. If someone offends us, we work it out with him/her. We take personal responsibility for our own thoughts, feelings, issues, and recovery. We give and receive constructive feedback with grace.
10. **TAKE RESPONSIBILITY:** We get out of the group what we are willing to invest. We work the issues that are brought up in the group. We are free to talk about the group process as we experience it. We do not use alcohol or non-prescription drugs directly prior or during group sessions.
11. **THIS IS A CLOSED GROUP:** Once the group forms, the group will be closed to others joining.

TYPES OF ABUSE

1. EMOTIONAL ABUSE: It may be verbal or nonverbal
2. VERBAL ABUSE: It includes defensive anger, which is used to threaten, intimidate, or distance another. It may include name calling, cursing, criticism, continual blame-shifting, threats, and the use of “zingers” as well as being argumentative, changing the subject, withholding support, humiliating, shaming, dominating, controlling, and forgetting, denying, and rewriting the past.
3. NONVERBAL ABUSE: This occurs through emotional abandonment. It may be experienced in degrading gestures such as “flipping the bird,” the silent treatment, looking down, and shaking one’s head, refusing to acknowledge someone when he or she enters the room, turning one’s back to another when support is needed and/or appropriate. Economic unfairness may also be a form of nonverbal abuse as well as the unspoken use of “male privilege.”
4. SPOUSAL ABUSE OR BATTERING: This can be defined as follows: A pattern of coercive behaviors used to establish control over another person through fear, intimidation, emotional abuse, or social isolation; often including the use of a threat of physical or sexual violence.
5. PHYSICAL ABUSE: It is any kind of physical harm from hair pulling, squeezing, hitting, slapping, pushing, and kicking to use of weapons to injure and/or kill.
6. SEXUAL ABUSE: Involves any contact or interaction whereby a vulnerable person (usually a child or adolescent) is used for the sexual stimulation of an older, stronger, or more influential person. It should be noted here that the stronger or more influential criteria may be real or perceived. Sexual abuse may even occur between two same age children when one child is compliant in nature and the other is the leader. Sexual abuse is much broader than forced, unforced, or simulated intercourse. It includes any touching, rubbing, or patting that is meant to arouse sexual pleasure.
7. SATANIC RITUAL ABUSE: This includes abuse from families who have been involved in the occult (sometimes for generations), people who have been pulled in as children themselves and are programmed to be perpetrators and people from secret lodges. These abusers hide in churches, professions, lodges, and community service organizations. They derive their power to perform supernatural acts by calling Satan to manifest himself in the group rituals, meetings, and ceremonies. Their

intent is to gain power through harming and killing the innocent. The most innocent would be an unborn baby. All that they do is a designed perversion of Christianity. The leaders are addicted to evil, engaging in progressively more evil activities. They use alcohol and then drugs to dull their consciences and the pain of what their addiction demands that they do. Their consciences become seared. They serve Satan.

8. ABANDONMENT: It can be described as being left alone, without being cared for or supported; especially by one who has personal responsibility. This also includes emotional abandonment through the withholding of affection or preoccupation with work, addictions, or self-centeredness, etc.
9. BETRAYAL: Includes acting in a way that is contrary to a promise made, usually in a marriage situation. The break of a mutual trust or confidentiality agreement.