

Life Group Culture Glossary

Shared Language for Relational Discipleship

Discipleship

The lifelong process of following Jesus, becoming like Him, and helping others do the same.
(Not just learning about Jesus, but living like Him and leading others toward Him.)

Relationship

Intentional, Christ-centered connection where we share life, encourage growth, and care for one another.
(More than friendliness—it's spiritual investment.)

Life Group

A small group of people who gather regularly (on campus or in homes) to grow in God's Word, care for each other, and reach others for Christ.
(The primary environment for relational discipleship at FBC.)

Facilitator

A leader who guides discussion, asks good questions, and helps group members discover and apply biblical truth.
(Conversation over lecture.)

Director

A relational leader who models following Jesus, equips others, and multiplies disciple-makers.
(The highest calling of leadership is reproduction, not just content delivery.)

Apprentice

A developing leader who is intentionally being trained to eventually lead a group.
(Every facilitator should be raising up the next one.)

Evangelism

Sharing the good news of Jesus through words and actions, inviting people into relationship with Him and His church.
(Every group is both a discipleship community and a mission outpost.)

Community

A biblical environment of belonging, authenticity, accountability, and shared mission.
(Not just friendship—gospel-shaped family.)

Transformation

The Spirit-led process of becoming more like Christ in character, priorities, and actions.
(The goal of groups is life change, not just Bible knowledge.)

Multiplication

Equipping disciples to make disciples and groups to launch new groups.
(Healthy things reproduce.)