

HTBB Connect Group Leader Nomination Forms



Welcome Applicant!

Thank you for your interest in becoming a connect group leader at Holy Trinity Bukit Bintang! The position of connect group leader is one that plays a vital role in our vision: ‘to play our part in the evangelisation of the nations, revitalisation of the local church, and transformation of society.’ Connect group leaders represent the church and as such are appointed by the Vicar and Associate Vicar of HTBB, thank you so much for investing in these people and for putting them forward to be considered.

Connect group leaders are called to step out and draw others in, so that as many as possible feel they are seen and welcomed; that they belong and that they matter. As a connect group leader, you are often that personal touch and connection between church members and the staff at HTBB. It is both a great responsibility and a great joy!

Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do,
you will save both yourself and your hearers.

1 Timothy 4:16

Connect group leaders are representatives of HTBB, and as such it is critical that you are in complete understanding and in agreement with the beliefs, expectations, and vision of the church. Connect Group Leaders are called to love, lead, mentor, and encourage others to Christian maturity through a community.

A leadership candidate should have a consistent relationship with God, a desire to be used by God to serve others, have a humble and teachable heart that receives instruction gladly. Someone suited to be a Connect Group Leader should also be prepared for the time commitment it takes to be an effective leader. We are not looking for perfect people, but for people who know that spiritual maturity is a journey and are willing to lead others people along the way. As such there are several requirements that must be met before one may be considered for the position of Connect Group Leader, details of which can be found below.

This is a wonderful position that you are aspiring to lead, serve, and love in. We are so grateful for your interest and look forward to walking with you through this discernment journey.

Love,

Rev. Miles & Sarah, and the HTBB Team

Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task.

1 Timothy 3:1

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Nominator

Each Connect Group leader needs to be nominated by another Connect Group Leader or Pastor who has previous experience of their character, convictions, and competency. By nominating this person you are affirming that you would be willing to trust them with your best friend. That if someone you loved joined their connect group, you would be happy that they would be cared for and led well.

To be filled out by the existing Connect Group Leader or Pastor (nominator):

Nominator's Name:
Contact Number:
Email Address:
Who are you nominating? (name)
In what capacity have you known this person, for how long, and how recently?
What do you know about their involvement in the life of the church and in particular in the role of leadership and/or mission?
What do you know about their ability to get on with different types of people?
What do you know about their ability to work cohesively as part of a group?

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How would you define the personal gifts and skills that this person would bring to the life of HTBB Connect Groups?

What would you say are the person's

a) main strengths?

b) main weaknesses?

What would you say are their main motivations for wanting to become a Connect Group Leader?

To your knowledge do they have a criminal record (*this is not necessarily an inhibitor to becoming a Connect Group leader but the church has a duty of care to be informed*)

Would you have any concerns letting this person work with children or vulnerable adults?

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Dear potential new connect group leader!

Thank you for expressing a willingness to serve as a Connect Group Leader at HTBB. Below is a list of requirements and information that we require in order to progress to the next stage of the process which is an interview with one of the Pastors of HTBB. We look forward to journeying with you through this process of discernment.

Love,

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HTBB requires that each applicant:

- Regularly attends HTBB
- Has been a member of a previous Connect Group at HTBB (for at least 6 months)
- Supports the vision of HTBB
- Supports the Culture outline of HTBB (as described below)
- Agree to the Code of Conduct form
- Completes a Connect Group Leader Application Form
- Disclose any past criminal convictions
 - (This is not an inhibitor to becoming a Connect Group leader but the church has a duty of care to be informed)

Vision of HTBB:

To play our part in the evangelisation of the nations, the revitalisation of the local church, and the transformation of society.

Code of Conduct

As a church, we aspire to facilitate the development of everyone in their Christian character.

Therefore, we are all expected to:

- Show respect and consideration for other members of the church and HTBB staff
- Attend all prescribed training
- Abstain from excessive drinking, the use of all illicit drugs, inappropriate sexual activity and behaviour that is considered to be detrimental to Christian character and witness
- Seek to build unity through kindness and service within HTBB and the wider Church.

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HTBB Culture outline:

Below is an attempt to describe the kind of culture that we are trying to build at HTBB, it also reflects the values and practices of Alpha, and we believe reflects the culture of God's Kingdom as expressed here at HTBB.

VALUES	BEHAVIOUR	PERSONALITY	THEOLOGY
Anything is possible	Think big, Big Vision, Pray a lot, Plan a lot	Bold, brave, can do, ambitious, faith-filled, flexible, persevering	Philippians 4:13, Mt 19:26
Relationships matter	Make friends. Develop a sense of family, invest in families, encourage others, speak well of others and listen.	Relational, caring, inclusive, welcoming, high EQ and self-aware.	Love your neighbour
Worship comes first	Commitment to excellence, desire to improve, serve, remember 'who' we do it for, start most things with worship	Driven, aim high, passionate about worship, 100% committed	1st Commandment, Col. 3:23
Holy Spirit is needed	Dependency on Spirit, pray 'Come Holy Spirit', thank a lot.	Humble, teachable, doesn't take credit, thankful	Acts 1:4
Meaning of life is to love and be loved	Love others in word and action. Serve sacrificially. Don't gossip or complain. Consider others by creating a good vibe and removing unnecessary obstacles for seekers.	Loving, secure in identity in Christ.	1 John 4:10, 1 Cor 13:13
Integrity & Sincerity	Open. Keep our word. Walk the talk. Communicate well.	Respectful, honest, transparent, trustworthy, authentic.	1 Tim 3:2, Rm 12:9
Everyone has Value and Potential	Invest in growing people, empower and delegate, seek feedback and give specific feedback, build up others with encouragement, empower volunteers.	Encouraging, releasing, trusting, respectful, welcoming, listening, committed to helping others flourish	Gen 2 - everyone is made in the image of God
Take fun seriously	Laugh, don't take ourselves seriously. Celebrate success.	Light-hearted, sociable, self-deprecating	Gal 5 (joy), Neh 8:10
Unity - we are stronger together	Respect difference, learn from others, work with others, listen.	Relational, non-judgmental, generous	Psalms 133
Be Generous	Give our best, be generous with our time, money and the gospel	Hospitable, pro-active, generous, trusting, thoughtful	Lk 6:38
Loyalty matters	Speak well of others, faithful to God and others, obligation to dissent. Obedient to those in authority	Obedient, loyal, respectful, secure in our relationships, free to think and be yourself.	1 Sam 24, Mt 8

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To be filled out by the nominee:

Name:
Date of Birth:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email Address:

Family

Marital Status: Single / Married / Widowed / Divorced
Spouse Name:
Do you have any children? (if so list names and ages):
Is your spouse a believer? YES/NO
Is your spouse supportive of you undertaking this?

Relationship with HTBB

How long have you been attending HTBB?
Do you give financially to HTBB?
Which connect groups / teams have you previously served in?
Which service do you regularly attend?

Do you affirm the vision of HTBB Church?

“To play our part in the evangelisation of the nations, the revitalisation of the local church, and the transformation of society.”

YES/NO

Faith

Are you baptised? (If so what date were you baptised?)

Do you affirm the core beliefs as understood in the historic creeds?

Apostles Creed:

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*

*On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.*

YES/NO

Do you agree to cooperate with the pastors and leaders of the church?

YES/NO

Who have been your primary Christian teachers or influences?

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Why do you want to be a connect group leader?

What do you consider your personal strengths?

What areas do you need to grow in?

Have you led a small group in the past? (if so where):

Please share the outline of your testimony:



Safeguarding

Do you have a criminal record? <i>(This is not necessarily an inhibitor to becoming a Connect Group Leader but we have a duty of care to be informed of this)</i>	YES/NO
Have you ever been refused volunteering work at other churches or charities owing to issues concerning you behaviour?	YES/NO
Have you ever been convicted of acting inappropriately with children or vulnerable adults?	YES/NO

Practicalities

How often would you like your group to meet? (most groups meet fortnightly)
Which day would you like your connect group to meet? <i>(Any day is possible EXCEPT Wednesday evening because of Alpha and Sundays because of services). Most groups run on Tuesdays.</i>
Monday / Tuesday / Thursday / Friday / Saturday
What time of day would you like your group to run?
Where would you like your connect group to run?

Please Note:

By law all data must be secured properly, our system is planning centre - no personal data of Connect Group members is to be stored for official purposes anywhere but this system.

Communication with leadership and those interested in and participating in your group is of utmost importance. Please make a habit to check email daily and respond to all communication promptly.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signed: _____