Group Covenant

Care Group name: _____

The vision of the Care Group Ministry at Island ECC is to create the best possible environment for authentic friendships and spiritual growth.

Group aims:

- To be a Christ-centred community within Island ECC and the universal church
- To grow in our relationship with God and with each other
- To love, support, and care for each other as we go though life together, encouraging and building each other up in our spiritual journey
- To be accountable to each other through confessing of struggles and sins, being open and honest but without judgment; rebuking, forgiving, and restoring in love when necessary
- To be outward-facing; responding to the gospel practically through service and evangelism'

Member expectations:

- Recognise Island ECC as their home church As a Care Group, we are under the oversight of Island ECC and reflect the same values; regular attendance of Sunday services is expected
- Commit to meetings Regular, on- time attendance is expected, although we understand that this is not always possible; in these cases, we will let the group know
- Be present Members are expected to actively participate during meetings. We are here not just for ourselves, hence this is not simply a personal commitment to the group, but a commitment to each member of the group
- Honesty and transparency As we grow closer as a group, we aim to be open and honest, sharing our lives with each other
- Confidentiality What is shared in the group stays in the group. Exceptions: (1) If permission is sought and granted to share a story beyond the group; (2) If someone is believed to be a threat to him/herself or to another

Name, Date and Signed