

Hello %Host Name%!

We are so happy that you have committed to HOSTing a small group here at Saddleback Church! God will use you in an amazing way. God specializes in using ordinary people in extraordinary ways!

My name is _____ and I am your Small Groups Pastor! **I would love to find a time to connect with you and hear more of your story and how I can be praying for you.** Just hit reply to set up a time.

There are a few things I want to let you know as you get started HOSTing your small group.

- First, Pastor Rick has said it for years and we adopt it in our small groups ministry, **we really are better together!** Of the 58 one anothers in scripture, none can be done in isolation! Check this scripture out from **Ecclesiastes 4:** *"⁹ Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. ¹⁰ For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up!"* **We never want you to do life alone!**
- Second, we want you to know that while you are HOSTing we have teams & tools to help and support you:
 - The Small Groups Pastors team (You can find us on the patio each weekend)
 - Our volunteer Community Leader (CL) Team (the info for your CL is below). This CL is a trusted resource for your group's success!
 - Our website for your group: MySaddleback.com. Beyond free curriculum, this site gives you everything to having a spiritual healthy group and members. **Check out the New HOST Training section designed especially for you!**
- Third, our CL (community leader) team is recruited and trained to serve

you! That's their whole job! Here is a picture of the CL that will be serving you! *(insert picture of CL) (facts about CL = name / years as at saddleback / favorite movie)* MySaddleback.com is going to help you a ton! Please go on it, register your group and check out all it has. Your CL will help you with all your questions with this vital group resource.

We are honored to serve you as you serve others! Thank you for following the LORD's call to lead and please know that you are never alone! If you need any help at all, please feel free to contact me. Your CL will be in touch with you soon!

We are praying for you and love you,
(%SGP name) and the Small Groups Team

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