

# Open Groups Growth Worksheet

Use this worksheet to help guide your planning for new groups, leaders, and meeting space. Adapt this column for your church's group structure.	ENROLLMENT				CLASSES				LEADERS				**SPACE			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	***16
	Current Enrollment	Prospects	Total Possible Enrollment (1+2= )	Enrollment Goal	Suggested Maximum Enrollment/Group	# Groups Currently	Total # Groups Needed (4/5= )	# New Groups Needed (7-6= )	Suggested Ratio Leaders:Group Mbrs	# Leaders Currently	Total # Leaders Needed (4/9= )	# New Leaders Needed (11-10= )	Current room size (in square feet)	Recommended square feet per person	Maximum room capacity (13/14= )	Average room capacity (15/.80= )
<b>PRESCHOOL</b>																
Babies-Ones					12				1:3					35		
Twos-Threes					12				1:3					35		
Fours-Fives					16				1:4					35		
Kindergarten					16				1:4					35		
<b>CHILDREN</b>																
1st-2nd Grade					30				1:6					25		
3rd-4th Grade					30				1:6					25		
5th-6th Grade*					30				1:6					25		
<b>YOUTH**</b>																
Middle School Boys					30				1:4					15		
Middle School Girls					30				1:4					15		
High School Boys					30				1:4					15		
High School Girls					30				1:4					15		
<b>ADULT</b>																
Adult Group 1					35				1:6					15		
Adult Group 2					35				1:6					15		
Adult Group 3					35				1:6					15		
Adult Group 4					35				1:6					15		
Adult Group 5					35				1:6					15		

\* 6th Grade may be included in children or youth, depending on what is best in each church.

\*\* Space considerations are per classroom. Multiple classrooms may be needed for an age grouping.

\*\*\* Groups will rarely exceed 80% of calculated room capacity in average attendance.

"Open" groups may include Sunday School or Small Groups where a primary purpose is to reach people for Christ and teach the Bible. The idea behind an open group is that attendees will not feel left out or "behind" in the study/discussion if they have not been attending regularly. Open groups which prioritize reaching new people also pay attention to group size, desiring a large enough group that newcomers do not feel put on the spot but also small enough to make personal relationships more likely and anonymity less likely.