

“The Other 166” Playbook

1. Start with your heart.

As you navigate these waters you'll want to keep your heart in check at all times. Your spiritual formation as a leader must be a priority.

2. Learn the signals.

Be alert for times that you are needed beyond group facilitation.

3. Submit and trust to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

You certainly can't pray too much as a leader.

4. Make yourself available between the meetings.

Be sure to inform the group of the easiest ways to get ahold of you.

5. Keep it simple.

A simple question to someone like, “Can we meet for coffee?” or “Can we chat after group?” works well.

6. Handoff or follow through.

Remember, you don't have to be the only one to handle these situations. Opposite gender situations are best to hand off or partner with another person.

7. Utilize your Guide or Small Group Staff.

Don't go at this alone, get prayer and support from others that have been through this before.

8. Communicate with your group.

Use caution here, but in some situations you may need to involve or update the group.

9. Establish an agreed upon plan.

How will you proceed? Set clear expectations and goals with your group.