***Equipping Biblical Counselors***

**Appendix 4.3**

**A LEAD Biblical Counseling MVP-C Statement**

**Our Church of the Open Door LEAD Biblical Counseling MVP-C Statement**

**Our *M*ission Statement**

According to the Bible, the mission of LEAD is to

equip one-another ministers, biblical counselors, and small group leaders

to speak the truth in love to people struggling with suffering and battling against sin,

in order to promote Christlike maturity in the body of Christ.

LEAD exists to assist our church to become

an equipping center (Ephesians 4:11-14), a fully functioning family (Matthew 22:34-40),

a Christ-centered community (Hebrews 3:7-16; 10:19-25), a healthy body (Ephesians 4:15-16), and a teaching hospital for soul physicians healing hurting and hardened hearts (Matthew 23:23-26).

**Our *V*ision Statement**

It is the DREAM of our LEAD ministry to be a maturing team of

loving encouragers and dynamic disciplers equipped to make God’s house a home.

We will be empowered toward personal maturity, encouraged by biblical community, and

equipped for relational ministry to God’s family and our community.

Through spiritual maturity, biblical wisdom, and relational skillfulness we will

speak the truth in love so that we all may mature in Christ.

**Our *P*assion Statement**

Changed People Changing Lives with Christ’s Changeless Truth

**Our *C*ommission Statement**

We will seek to fulfill our LEAD MVP through the 4Es of

*e*nvisioning, *e*nlisting, *e*quipping, and *e*mpowering

a congregation of one-another ministers, biblical counselors, and small group leaders.

We will comprehensively equip soul caregivers and spiritual directors in the 4Cs of

biblical *c*ontent, Christ-like *c*haracter, counseling *c*ompetence, and Christian *c*ommunity

so they can sustain, heal, reconcile, and guide

individuals, couples, and families in our congregation and community

to know Christ, grow in Christ, and care like Christ.

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