access space

A place for prayer, connection, life and celebration

The access space is a designated area that allows us the opportunity to connect with and pray for people of our House. It's a place where people can have access to Jesus, prayer and a place that helps connect people to our House. We celebrate death to life, and people's decisions to follow Jesus, as well as pray for people in Jesus' name.

Our Standards

We are intentional

We ask people their name and remember it. We pray for people by their name. We make eye contact and are welcoming to ALL people.

We lead the moment

God placed us in this moment to lead. We get to set the tone and guide the conversation — this means we ask direct and intentional questions (What about today's message prompted you to come in to access?).

We empathize before we encourage

We want to listen to their answer and try to repeat their answer back to them. This shows that we are attentive and we can say toward the end, "yea, that's hard" or "ah, that's amazing!" This shows that we truly care and are attentive. Then, we always encourage with the hope of Jesus and what He offers us!

We make Jesus central

We want to focus less on their problem and more on Jesus as their solution. We don't assume that everyone knows Jesus, so we ask if and when they placed their faith in Jesus. We always point the conversation to talking more about Jesus and less about the person or ourselves. We pray powerfully in Jesus' name! Quoting Scripture is encouraged in these moments.

We are aware and discerning

We are fully aware and attentive of the situation. We are present to recognize any red flags or concert and discern during these moments. Always feel the freedom to pull in your Access Point if needed.

We honor and respect people

We strive to create a safe place and welcoming environment. Confidentiality is key. We are welcoming of ALL people in ALL circumstances that are shared. Women ALWAYS pray with women, and men ALWAYS pray with men. Please feel the freedom to share information about what you prayed for with your Access Point ONLY.

We encourage the next step

Some next steps may include one of the following: Giving a Care card, Giving a Next Steps Card (includes links to LAUNCH, Welcome to Church, Baptisms), personal recommendations for scripture reading, prayer, Jesus is Life / Cross wall, etc. We connect people. We always want people to feel more connected to Jesus and our House and to us individually.

Process of someone coming into Access

- **1.** Are you looking for prayer?
- 2. Captain/Point will pair with DH (hand off)
- **3.** Sit down with DH: "What brought you in here today" or "How can I pray for your <u>right</u> now in this moment"
- **4.** Confirm request (1 Liner). If the person is 'oversharing' feel the freedom to gently offer:
- 'Thank you for sharing all of that. If there was one thing you would like for me to pray for you today about, what would that be?'
- **5.** Pray
- **6.** Get follow up info "Thank you so much If you don't mind, I would love to get your information because our team would love to follow up with you this week and provide you with more information about getting plugged in to our church and have the opportunity to pray with you again?"
- **7.** Next Step Resources (LAUNCH, Baptism, Becoming a Doorholder by attending Welcome to Church, Students, CORE, Young Adults, Community Groups, Connect Groups)