Eight Principles of Celebrate Recovery

- Based on the Beatitudes (by Pastor Rick Warren)

- 1. **R**ealize I'm not God. I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and that my life is unmanageable. Happy are those who know they are spiritually poor.
- 2. **E**arnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him, and that He has the power to help me recover. Happy are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- 3. **C**onsciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control. Happy are the meek.
- 4. Openly examine and confess my faults to myself, to God, and to someone I trust. Happy are the pure in heart.
- 5. Voluntarily submit to every change God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects. Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires.
- 6. **E**valuate all my relationships. Offer forgiveness to those who have hurt me and make amends for harm I've done to others, except when to do so would harm them or others. Happy are the merciful. Happy are the peacemakers.
- 7. Reserve a daily time with God for self-examination, Bible reading, and prayer in order to know God and His will for my life and to gain the power to follow His will.
- 8. Yield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and by my words. Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires.

Open Share Group Guidelines

- 1. Keep your sharing focused on your own thoughts and feelings. Limit your sharing to three to five minutes.
- 2. There will be NO cross talk. Cross talk is when two individuals engage in conversation, excluding all others. Each person is free to express his or her feeling without interruptions.
- 3. We are here to support one another, not "fix" one another.
- 4. Anonymity and confidentially are basic requirements. What is shared in the group stays in the group. The only exception is when someone threatens to injure themselves or others.*
- 5. Offensive language has no place in a Christ-centered recovery group.

Celebrate Recovery

Is Celebrate Recovery for You?

Discover Freedom from your Hurts, Hang-ups or Habits



Meeting every Tuesday at 7pm

Summerside Community Church

150 Industrial Cres

Summerside, PE

^{*}Please be advised if anyone threatens to hurt themselves or others, their small group leader has the responsibility to report it to the Celebrate Recovery Ministry Leader.

Do any of the following apply to you?

Check the appropriate boxes:

Do too much		Worry too much
Owe too much		Give to others too much
Work too much		Drink too much
Exercise too much		Care too much
Spend too much		Smoke too much
Lust too much or too often		Rush too much
Sleep too much		Obsess too much
Fantasize too much/often		Diet too much/often
Grieve too long		Seek excitement too often
Gamble too much		Yell or scream too often
Use illicit drugs too often		Get angry too often
Feel used too often		Act sexually inappropriately
Act compulsively too often		Be greedy too often
Become sad too often		Feel overwhelmed
Lose control too often		Feel envious too often
Become jealous too often		Be anxious or afraid
Get manipulated too often		Be late too often
Be too early too often		Feel resentful too often
Feel guilty too often		Feel lonely too often
Feel hopeless		Feel unlovable
Feel trapped too often		Feel worthless too often
Feel unloved too often		Feel unattractive
Feel like a failure too often		Feel unforgivable too often
Eat too much		Play video games too much
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Answer the following 25 questions:

- Do you believe, or want to believe in God, yet can't seem to?
- Do you want to trust God with your whole life, yet live in fear?
- If you are honest, do you know you are not happy?
- Is serenity only an ideal; seldom experienced?
- Do you find your personal life is troubled?
- Are your relationships clouded by conflict and confusion?
- Do you find people in your life can't understand you?
- Do others not love you as you feel you should be loved?
- Do you have resentments, anger, fear or loneliness?
- Do you have persistent feelings of low self-worth, shame, guilt?
- Do you have recurring pain about relationships and living in general?
- Have you tried to change your behaviours without success?
- Have you tried to change the behaviours of people around you?
- Have your even called God in on the struggle to change those close to you or yourself without apparent result?
- Do those whom you try to "help" not cooperate?
- Do you feel angry or hurt, asking, "Why do they resent me"?
- Do you think, "They should just do what I say"?
- Do you tell others, "I am only trying to help them"?
- Have you realized that you can't even fix your own pain?
- Do your prayers for God's help not relieve the pain?
- Have you not told anyone of your secret pain?
- Does life not respond to your manipulations?
- Are you realizing you don't have the needed power?
- Are you lacking spiritual resources to overcome the pain?
- Do you have a difficulty and want to change?

Do you want to Experience Change?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, come explore how Celebrate Recovery may help you experience change.