

# **How to Do Group Programs**

- What are the types of group programs and how are they priced?
  - Any program that has 4 or more people in it and lasts for more than 2 weeks
  - In person groups of all sizes
  - o Online:
    - Continuity programs or clubs
      - Ongoing monthly programs (people pay for 1 month or 12 months)
      - \$27-\$97 a month
      - not suggested unless you have list size of at least 5,000
    - 4-5 week programs \$195-\$495
      - 60-90 minute webinars
      - OR Pre-recorded videos (15-30 minute chunks)
    - 9-12 week programs \$695 \$1995
      - 60-90 minute webinars
      - OR Pre-recorded videos (15-30 minute chunks)
    - 3-6 month programs:
      - \$195 \$1,000+ a month
      - 2-3 sessions a month
      - FB group
      - Private calls in the first and last month (optional)
      - use monthly payments and pay in full
      - If you are filling your program ahead of time, use a deposit and monthly payments

## Which program should I choose first?

- This varies
- The 4-6 month program requires sales conversations, but can really create an increase in your monthly income
- The shorter 4 week programs are a great way for people to meet you but they won't increase your income by much unless there is an upsell included with them
  - Usually you can only expect 10-20% upsell
  - If your price point for your 4 week program is low, like \$95 or \$197 – you may not get much upsell because you've attracted a client who can't pay



- Ultimately what you choose first is up to you remember you an do up to 3 launches a year.
  - So you could always try different types of programs
- A great way to create upsell opportunities and create a path to allow your clients to get to know you better is to include a ticket to a free live in person event with you when they purchase the program.

## • Filling Your Group Programs:

- NUMBERS!!!!:
  - 1 out of 5 = 5 people in the program = 25 sales conversations
  - These conversations can start as early as 3 months before the program starts!
- o Online:
  - Webinar Use a webinar style launch as we have explained in the Money Club under How to do a Webinar and Launches part 1 and part 2.
  - Social Media Use social media, FB Posts and FB Live to encourage people to:
    - Sign up for your webinar
    - Sign up for your encores
    - Sign up for your program
  - REMEMBER IF YOUR PROGRAM IS MORE THEN \$500, YOU ARE SELLING SALES CONVERSATIONS ONLY!

#### Offline:

- Speaking Events set these up in the months preceding your group program so you can start selling the program through sales conversations
- Sponsorships set these up in the months preceding your group program so you can start selling the program through sales conversations
- Your Network:
  - Pick up the phone and send emails to everyone who you've engaged and connected with over the last 6-12 months
    - Old clients
    - Old sales conversations
    - Old connections
  - Encourage them to:
    - Sign up for the webinar
    - Set up a conversation with you



#### Rules of Thumb:

- Upsell Always have an upsell plan with every program you launch what will they do next and what is your incentive to get them to stay with you?
- Offline + Online I suggest always creating an offline and online plan when you are planning your group program launches
- Small is Good in the beginning all you need is 4-6 people to start a group program – you can learn a lot that way
- Live is Good in the Beginning Doing group programs live is good in the beginning so that you can change and shift the program as you go along.
  Once you've launched it a few times – then you could create a recorded program

#### Running Group Programs:

- Platforms:
  - Teleseminar
    - Any teleseminar platform
    - Maestro
    - Free ones exist too!
  - Webinar
    - Zoom
    - Go To Webinar
- Logistics:
  - Where do you put the content? (easiest to more complex)
    - A hidden page (s) of your website that is password protected
    - For Wordpress Wishlist member
    - More expensive (and complex):
      - Member Mouse
      - Memberium
      - o I-Member 360
      - Customer Hub
      - Kajabi
      - AccessAlly (need to use stripe their payment system)
    - Here's an article that explains some of this:
    - https://ambitionally.com/increase-online-sales/creatingmembership-sites/customerhub-vs-imember360/



### • Leading Group Programs:

- Start with celebrations, questions, activities to engage
- o Include inspiration, mindset, dig deep stuff
- Training 20-40 minutes tops
- Interaction at the end check-in, questions, post on FB, what did you learn?
  - The smaller the group the more interaction you can create

### Learning From Each Group:

- Surveys (Google forms are quick and cheap!) on what they like/don't like are great periodically throughout the class, some send surveys after each call
  - What did you like about this class?
  - What were your top learning points?
  - What would you shift (if anything)?
- o Checking in with each participant what was your takeaway?
- Checking in by reading the FB comments and encouraging participation
- Checking in during 1-1 calls how's the group going? Anything that you would shift?

#### Creating a Safe and Happy Space for Your Group:

- Don't let share and questions go on too long
- No rambling polite, "what's the question?" or "For the sake of time, I'm going to ask you to get to the point."
- If someone is breaking your rules be clear about talking to them or asking them to leave the group
- No solicitations or selling on the FB Group

#### Don't do this alone!

- You need team members to support:
  - Creating the group pages
  - Sending out handouts and announcements for each class
  - Editing and designing handouts
  - Posting documents and recordings after each class
  - Managing multiple credit cards each month
  - Be on the class with you for technology issues (optional, but helpful)
  - Managing and helping with posts in the FB group (community managers)

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 A virtual assistant is a great option – but make sure she has some experience with online platforms