# Group 3:

## Facilitator's Guide to Mending Hearts After Loss Groups Created and written by Tara May, PhD.

#### **OVERVIEW & PURPOSE**

Enable participants to create their own personal foundation for this journey and build their inner resources to cope with it.

# **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Understanding the personal impact of grief.
- 2. Strengthening connections with others
- 3. Strengthen self care and build internal resources.

#### MATERIALS NEEDED

- 1. Download group 3 worksheet
- 2. paper or notebook/journal.
- 3. Candle or other memento for starting each group as a way to honor and connect to their child/ren.

## **MATERIALS PROVIDED**

These may be audio, video, or pdf downloads. You may choose to screen share videos, send participants links or use info in videos to weave into groups.

- 1. Group 3 worksheet
- 2. Body relaxation script
- 3. LightStream audio
- 4. Progressive Muscle Relaxation audio

#### ACTIVITY

Activities you can use during group sessions, you can shorten, omit, or add to any of them. Facilitator may wish to play soothing music while participants work on these.

- Grief Map
- Brainstorm connection activities
- Body guided imagery

#### **Ending Ritual**

Last 15-20 min. Close group with ritual of asking each member what their biggest takeaway is from today's group and what they want to remember in the coming week and review which things they will commit to trying this week. Close with a breathing exercise (4x4), or guided meditation depending on time. Meditation audios are provided for you. There are some scripts as well. You can play them or read scripts.