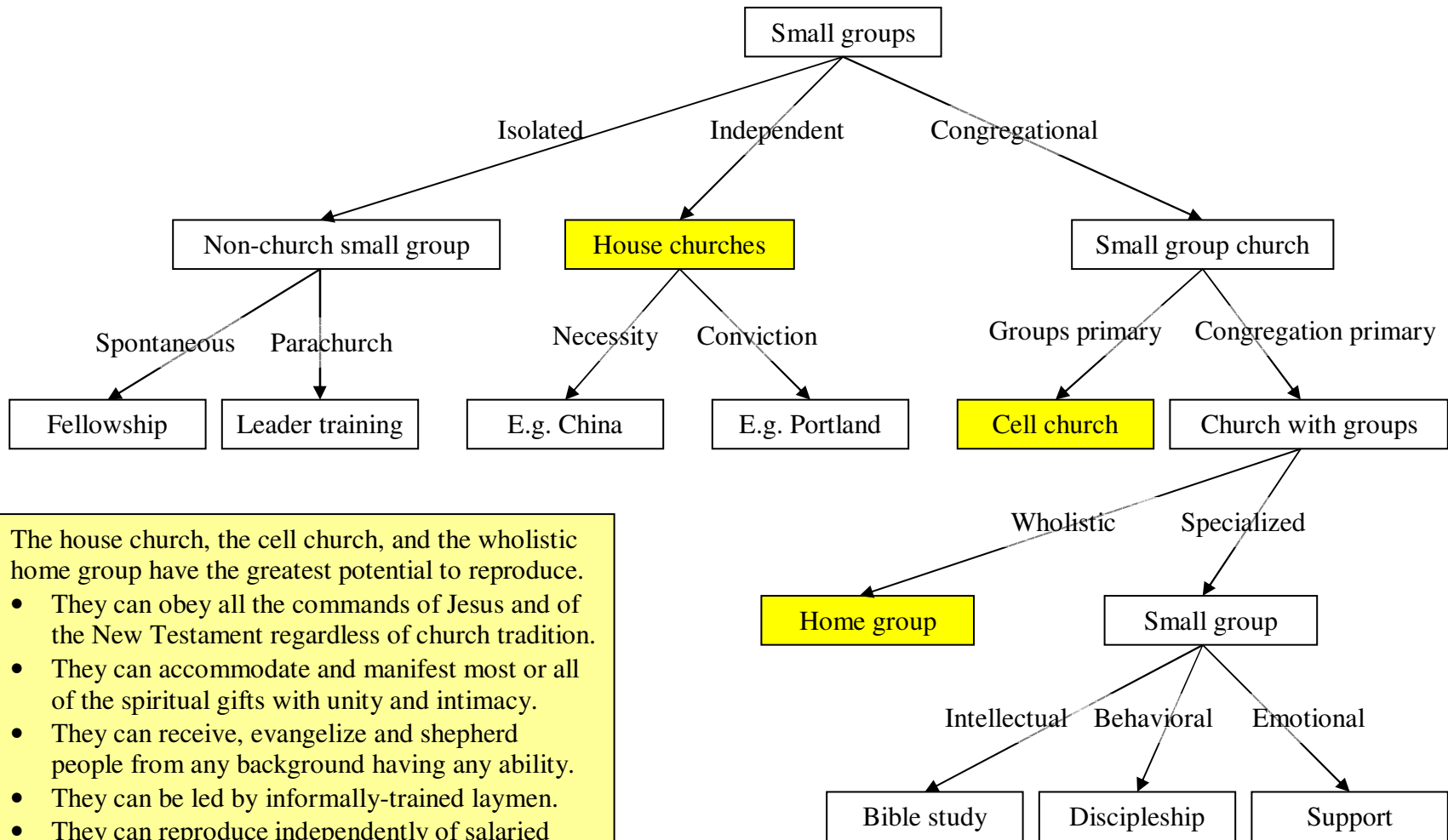


TAXONOMY OF CHRISTIAN SMALL GROUPS

(Excluding Classes and Discussion Groups)



The house church, the cell church, and the wholistic home group have the greatest potential to reproduce.

- They can obey all the commands of Jesus and of the New Testament regardless of church tradition.
- They can accommodate and manifest most or all of the spiritual gifts with unity and intimacy.
- They can receive, evangelize and shepherd people from any background having any ability.
- They can be led by informally-trained laymen.
- They can reproduce independently of salaried clergymen, costly real estate or legal registration.
- They can quickly adopt new cultural forms.