

YOUTH MINISTRY STRATEGIC PLAN

Mission:

- To bring high school students to a genuine and exciting relationship with Jesus Christ who strive for a life of worship, growing deeper with God and reproducing contagious Christianity all around them.

Values:

- Biblical teaching with effective illustrations and application
- God-focused musical worship relevant to this generation
- Relationships
- Putting the family back into church
- Involvement by students and staff
- Open and welcoming atmosphere
- Fun!!
- Ministry excellence...or as close to it as possible!!

Vision:

We see students having a faith that is contagious to people in our local communities as well as around the world. Being a Christ follower is a daily act of faith and surrender walking in the grace Jesus Christ has given us. We want our students to “Be the Gospel” in their actions, attitudes, and everyday life!

We acknowledge that our youth group is not perfect but we want it to be a welcoming place for visitors to come and get plugged in. Once a visitor becomes regular in attendance, it is necessary for him or her to get plugged in to a small group. These small groups are where deep relationships will be made as well as study, accountability and prayer. After spiritual growth is seen, it is our desire for these students to serve God with the gifts He has given them!

We see students going to winter and summer camps where they will be challenged with a message of hope and also build core relationships with new people. We also have short term mission trips to other countries, inner cities and in our local towns to remember our mission field is everywhere!

Small Groups:

- We want to see Christians growing closer to the Lord and with other believers as well as having their actions represent their faith through weekly fellowship, study, accountability and prayer.

Service Groups:

- We want to see High school students being involved in decision making and taking ownership in the youth group. These groups will meet quarterly to plan, pray and dream about the future. Each group will be lead by at least one staff and one student leader.

Mission Trips:

- Our vision for missions in our youth group is threefold. We want our students to serve in Mexico seeing and understanding the poverty and need in another country. We want our students to serve in our inner city areas coming to the realization that people living in our own communities are in need of Christ’s love. We want to see our students serve in communities where they will be challenged intellectually to fully understand and clearly communicate the essentials of the Christian faith.