
Purpose of Student Ministry

FOR WHO: Students 6th grade through college age

WHERE ARE WE TAKING THEM? Fully-connected church members connecting with the community

1. Being a church student ministry is different than being a para-church student ministry.
2. Cultural Myth: Students will only come for fun, exciting, short story-telling teaching depth not possible.
3. Reality: what you win them with is what you win them to. Goal: Prepare for life as an adult Christian.
4. Our goal is not attendance; or conversions, but progression towards maturity. Our goal is +10.

BY WHO? By the congregation of Wellington Presbyterian Church

1. We are not a piper ministry. More are reached more & taken deeper through teamwork.
2. Ephesians 4:11-13 The ordained clergy are to prepare the saint for works of service
"And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,"
3. It is our volunteer leaders, trained by the ministry staff, who move into the students' lives.

HOW DO WE DO IT? Through an organic and holistic 5-level discipleship process

1. Organic: The discipleship process is a natural one where the Holy Spirit guides people into an initial relationship with Christ and then continues to sanctify them through the church discipleship.
2. Holistic: We are providing venues for growing students to serve and be ministered to at every level.
3. The top level is not a super Christian but rather a normal biblically church member.

?? Q & A TIME??

Riptide Middle School Transition

1. I have begun to attend regularly on Wednesday nights and I give the message once a month.
2. After Thanksgiving, I'll begin overseeing the leadership and taking a weekly upfront presence.
3. Jeremiah's last night will be our final Riptide of the year, December 19th
4. Q & A

How Parents Can Help

1. Students need help to make the church a priority.
2. Help students keep commitments.
3. Consistency in attendance. All of our teaching is done is set in series.
4. Keep them prepared by bring Bibles, notebook and a pen.
5. Help your student utilize our discipleship structure for their growth and kingdom building.
6. Ask your student about our teaching and their relationships building.
7. Make use of the WPC Student Ministry website: wpcstudentministry.com
 - Home page / Visitors page
 - Teaching and meeting schedules (Campus Nite, Sunday School, Leadership)
 - Activity information, flyers, and sign up
 - Resources for growth and family discipleship
 - Books, devotionals, articles, sermons, evangelism, links, mercy ministry
 - Let me know what you would like to see and I'll find it
 - Parenting book recommendations are coming

??Additional Questions??