# **CBC Youth Group Ministry Roles**

## NICHES / TEAMS / GIFTING / DISCUSSION

In our High School group we are committed to God and His Word and desire to glorify Him in all we do. We celebrate and teach the life-changing message of Jesus Christ because we believe an authentic encounter and life with the living God is the best way to live. A life with God gives us an incomparable joy that we want to share. Our goal is that every student is welcomed, known, and loved in our group and that they learn to develop their personal relationship with Christ.



For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen. -Romans 11:36

## What Do I Mean By Niche / Team / Gifting?

**Team** - I view us as a team as a whole. We each have differing gifts, time availabilities, etc. but we work toward the same goals. We have much more wisdom sitting in this group than I can dream to have on my own.

Niche - area of focus in ministry

I'd like to break us down into different niches (teams, groups, whatever you want to call them) based on what aspect of the ministry we are interested in, committed to, and available for. In your niche, I hope for more than participation. I hope for big dreams and small improvements; implementation and directing; evaluation and correction.

#### We keep in mind our Mission Statement:

"To glorify God by making disciples of all the nations."

1 Corinthians 10:31 (ESV)<sup>31</sup> So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Isaiah 43:7 (ESV) <sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Matthew 28:19–20 (ESV) <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

#### Within our niche we remember the philosophy:

WORSHIP OUTREACH, GROWTH, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP

That we want to glorify God and this is Worship. Our Worship is expressed in multifaceted ways including Outreach, Growth, Ministry / Service, and Discipleship. We strive for our primary purpose in all we do. We also consider that we love Jesus Christ and love people in the process. We also desire that every student is welcomed, known, and loved and that they walk with God.

I hope that we create smaller teams around these niches to dream and develop the ministry together. I also hope that we support others in their niche. ie: Just because Sunday Morning may be my niche, that doesn't mean that I don't go to Santa Cruz. I still go to the other areas that I can, but my primary focus is on Sunday Morning

Gifting - How can I contribute in my niche and to the team?

God gifted each one of us individually. We need to seek to use our gifts and explore our gifts in serving Christ. I'm hoping that we can choose our niches and use our gifts in those areas.

## Sunday Morning

- come 15 min early to greet students.
- stay 10 min after to send them off or talk to those who need it.
- pray before and during and after for the word of God to take root in hearts.
- learn names of the students.

- look for students you don't know.
- ask students about their week. Ask them about the week coming up. Pray for them.
- assist in the ways that your team dreams up. example ideas:
  - Wrap up close the morning with an application challenge and prayer
  - Welcome bring the group together in the morning or teach students to
  - Give input and direction to the teaching
  - evaluate the sermons and give feedback so I can get better
  - gather contact info and do follow-up
  - teach
  - worship team
  - help create the feel. Evaluate the room, update the walls, help make it inviting and interesting.
  - come up with an Experience It a creative activity to reinforce the teaching.
  - get with a partner and go to an office to pray during the worship and teaching monthly
  - think of my time as introduce myself, find someone to pray for, follow-up with someone I prayed for last week
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## Wednesday Night

- come 15 min early to greet students.
- stay 10 min after to send them off or talk to those who need it.
- pray before and during and after for the word of God to take root in hearts.
- learn names of the students.
- look for students you don't know.
- ask students about their week. Ask them about the week coming up. Pray for them.
- assist in the ways that your team dreams up. example ideas:
  - help train with the student leaders
  - evaluate the sermons and give feedback
  - experience its
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## Activities

### OUTREACH, GROWTH, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP

- pray
- own an aspect of the activity
- coordinate logistics who, what, when, where, why, how, etc.
- give spiritual direction for activity
- get to know students you don't already know
- dream of ways to improve current activities
- dream of ways to meet our spiritual goals through the activities
- recruit help for activities
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## Worship Music Team

#### OUTREACH, GROWTH, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP

- lead the worship music team as a coach for the students
- lead the worship music from time to time
- help the students in the band gel musically, spiritually, and relationally
- get together with students apart from music ministry times to build relationships
- help students with sound board and equipment
- dream big of ways to improve this area (I am really weak here)

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## FourTwelve

- small groups for high school ministry
- lead a FourTwelve group
- meet with your group once a week
- do something with your group once every 6-8 weeks outside of FourTwelve group
- utilize the On Track Devotions or find good material for FourTwelve groups
- dream of ways FourTwelve groups could improve. example ideas:
- FourTwelve groups structured as freshmen/sophomore and junior/senior
- leaders stick with an age rather than a group but would be with a class for 2 years

- all groups doing the same thing
- mix up guys and girls for a bible study format and less of the sharing format

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## Media and Other Visual Ministry

### OUTREACH, GROWTH, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP

- videos
- pictures
- drama
- music
- help create the feel. Evaluate the room, update the walls, help make it inviting and interesting.
- how can we use these and other media in ministry with effectiveness for God's glory?
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## **Ministries of Mercy**

- Hospitality House -
  - buy food, lead students in preparing and serving the meal
- Booth Family Center -
  - get list of families and their needs and desires during the Christmas season.
  - bring that list to the youth group so we can purchase gifts for them
- Work, Water, & Word
  - during the summer, find people in need to help in some tangible way and then spend time swimming and studying God's word.
- Other
  - there are many other avenues we can explore for justice and mercy in our neighborhood
  - explore other options and bring proposals to the youth staff
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## Dinner Team

- serve once a month or bi-monthly at Wednesday night youth group during the school year (mid-August through May)
- purchase food but get reimbursed
- prepare meal
- clean the kitchen
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