Junior High Ministry Roles

TEAM / NICHE / GIFTING

In our Junior High 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 the glory forever. Amen. Romans 11:36

What Do I Mean By Team / Niche / 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 together than I can dream to have on my own.

Niche - area of focus in ministry

I'd like to each staff member to be broken down into different niches (teams, groups, whatever you want to call them) based on the aspect of the ministry they 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.

Within our niche we remember the philosophy of OUTREACH, GROWTH, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP and strive for God's glory in all we do. We remember that we love Jesus Christ and love people in the process. We also desire that every student is welcomed, known, 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?

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" - 1 Peter 4:10

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 Teaching or Support

OUTREACH, GROWTH, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP

- 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 their hearts.
- Learn the 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 and with them.
- Assist in the ways that the team dreams up. Example ideas:
 - Prepare and teach the lesson
 - Welcome
 - Gather contact info and do follow-up
 - Worship team

Contact Jason Wood if you are interested in serving and joining the team. 273-1343

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
- Drive the bus or van

Worship Music Team

OUTREACH, **GROWTH**, MINISTRY/SERVICE, DISCIPLESHIP

- Lead the worship music team as a coach for the students.
- Help the students in the band gel musically, spiritually, and relationally.
- Lead worship yourself on Sundays and at our events.
- Dream of big ways to improve this area.

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?

Which Place is Right for You?

Contact Dave and Kirsten Thomas or Jason Wood to discuss serving in a fun, dynamic, meaningful way. We look forward to serving together.

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