

New Hope Youth Ministry

Purpose: The purpose of the youth ministry is to assist all New Hope parents by helping our youth develop a lifelong connection with the only true Hope in Jesus Christ through youth initiated discipleship, outreach, activities.

Psalms 71:5 For you have been my hope, Sovereign LORD, my confidence since my youth.

How we operate

Youth operations. This ministry is for and by the youth. Youth leaders are selected through voting of the youth. The Youth Pastor, Director, and advisors guide, coach, and mentor the youth selected and elected leaders to execute all aspects of this ministry. This does not negate the spiritual and legal aspects of the ministry that adults must appropriately conduct, but promotes a healthy and mature development of our youth as many other leadership opportunities in life. This ministry is open to ideas from all members that will support the Christian development of our youth.

Discipleship, Outreach, Fellowship. There are 3 things we will balance with the help of Jesus Christ, our true Hope and under the leadership of the Senior Pastor or whoever he designates: Discipleship, outreach, and fellowship activities. The main part of discipleship is our youth hope day or bible study for adults, Sunday school, Teen/Tween/Children and regular church service, and involvement in ministry. We understand and are glad that NH Youth are involved in just about all ministries in the church. Outreach involves using what we learn through discipleship to help others outside of our church walls. Fellowship activities are the many fun things we do as youth. Too less or too much of any of these can take us off balance and hinder the ministry or our collective and individual growth in Christ. The attached calendar has a great mix of all of these.

Meetings. We meet every 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:20-7:50 pm in the gym. This can change based on the availability of all involved and current requirements. Parents are welcome to all meetings.

Events:

Parents and guardians must submit a signed permission slip for all NH youth events. We offer a blanket permission slip for members and regular Hope Day attendees.

Parents and guardians will be invited to specific meetings for events that require more info like overnight or out of town trips.

Sometimes events will be open to the public like the Fall Fest. Other times there will be events open to NH members. If space is an issue it is only fair to allow those who are engaged in discipleship and ministry to have priority. We do understand there will be unavoidable absences but those are very different from absences due to youth and parents not desiring to engage in spiritual development.

When funds are available most training events will be funded by the youth ministry up to 30% for engaged youth and for engaged adults, unless otherwise announced.

Fellowship activities will be paid by the family unless otherwise announced.

See the youth calendar for all activities.

Here are some recurring events:

Youth MTGs 4th Wednesday 7:20pm

Children church 1st, 3rd, and 4th Sunday

Teen/Tween Church 4th Sundays

Youth Sunday 2nd Sunday

Youth Hope Day Wednesdays 6:30-8pm

Fall Fest 31 Oct or designated date

Resurrection Events Saturday before Resurrection Sunday

Back to School Bash Usually Saturday before Hardin county School starts.

Back to School Prayer Night before School starts

Communication. Communication is essential to the youth ministry. Parents are critical to our communication link also. Though we hope everyone can make all meetings and functions, we know that this is not possible. So we need folks to sign up giving their numbers and email addresses. We need everyone join GroupMe. We need folks to look out for announcements and abide by them. Good communication will allow youth ministry involvement to enhance usher involvements, choir involvement, ect.

Key contact info:

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Youth Admin Lead, Sis Darnetta Cohen, 314 201-7451, darnetta.cohen.civ@mail.mil

How we are structured

Youth: Refer to all members of the NHMBC from ages 18 and below. All youth must assist this ministry to do God's will and way by His word for the success of this ministry. It is critical to all youth be involved not just elected youth leaders. Parent must encourage and assist youth involvement.

Youth Leaders : Youth leaders refer to the youth of new hope ages 18 and below that has been elected and selected for the youth by the youth.

Youth Advisors: Youth advisors refer to all NHMBC adult members that a part of the youth ministry. Age 19 (or high school graduate and up).

President:

Is the elected leader of the youth for the youth. The youth president is responsible for:

leading youth devotions

leading the youth staff team and ministry

encouraging maximum participation of all youth of the church

presenting youth initiated and inspired discipleship and outreach events and fellowship activities to Youth director

Ensuring timely and responsible actions from the youth

Vice President

Is the elected assistant to the youth president. The youth vice president is responsible for:

Assisting the president in all functions

Conducting duties of the President in his/her absence

Overseeing the planning of all youth discipleship and outreach events and fellowship activities

Maintain a roster of all current youth leaders

Secretary

Record all notes for all youth meetings

Maintaining youth accountability rosters and contact lists

Assist the publicity team

Maintain Youth T-shirt orders

Treasurer/Fundraising

Record and track all youth generated funds

Proposed and lead all youth fundraisers

Collect and turn in all youth offerings for teen, tween and children church

Propose the youth fundraising goals and church Budget every year, NLT Oct 15

Keep track of youth Budget from the church for training

Publicity Team

Advertise youth events through email, text, flyers, group me, and word of mouth in and out of church

Develop flyers for youth events NLT one month before the event

Planning Team

Plan and propose youth discipleship and outreach events and fellowship activities to the youth leadership in accordance with the calendar NLT 2 months before the event.

Lead or select youth member to be the POC for all youth events. This will alternate throughout all youth (not just elected officials).

Develop the youth yearly calendar NLT Oct 15 yearly

Assist secretary and youth advisors in distributing permission slips and sign in rosters

Newsletter Team

Publish newsletter monthly

Photograph all events

Coordinate for announcements and calendar events with the planning team

Collect and highlight youth individual achievement in newsletter including honor roll and awards, ect

Collect and highlight youth opinions in the newsletter

Youth Pastor

Lead and nurture the youth ministry under the leadership of the Senior Pastor or who he designates

Assist and join in spiritual development with the youth, youth leaders, and youth advisors through internal and external discipleship opportunities

Coordinate all youth discipleship training opportunities internal and external to new Hope

Manage youth church budget; submit request for funds NLT 2nd Saturday of the month

Represent youth ministry at all Church meetings; Inform senior pastor and church leadership on all youth functions

Youth Director

Coordinate and supervise all youth discipleship, outreach, and fellowship activities.

Coordinate the interaction of youth leaders and youth advisors to promote excellence, redundancy, and growth for all.

Coordinate with youth president to designate youth and youth advisor teams to lead youth functions on an alternating basis to ensure no one person is overtaxed in functions.

Maintain a roster of youth advisors with pertinent information including contact information and background checks.

Manage youth generated funds

Coordinate request for vans/drivers when needed

Youth Advisor

Assist youth director in developing youth and youth leaders in the execution of all aspects of youth ministry.

Be ready and willing to support designated youth in leading youth events.

Chaperon youth events as available.

Drive youth for events as available.

Lead discipleship, outreach, and fellowship activities as available. Additional information will be provided.

****ALL ADULTS WORKING WITH YOUTH MUST HAVE A BACKGROUND CHECK**