

Youth Council Commitment Plan

I. Spiritual Growth Goal

As a member of the youth council, I know that the health of my own spiritual life is crucial to effective Christian leadership. Therefore, I am making the following goal for myself in order to challenge myself to grow in my relationship with God.

(Possible ideas might be 1) to find a mentor, a trustworthy older Christian whose faith you admire, that would agree to meet with you regularly to help you grow, 2) to find an accountability partner and make goals together and regularly check in with one another, 3) to read a certain book or books of the Bible and either talk or journal about them, 4) to have a daily time that you commit to pray and read the Bible, 5) anything else you can think of...)

II. Commitment to attend monthly meetings

As a member of the youth council I understand that I need to make every effort to attend the monthly youth council meetings.

III. Commitment to actively participating in youth events

As a member of the youth council I understand that I am a leader, and that my presence as well as my absence is noticed and affects the entire group. My life is busy, but by committing to be a youth council member, I am making our youth group a priority in my life. Therefore, I will do my best to come and be a part of the events we plan.

IV. Commitment to be a positive contributor

As a member of youth council, and therefore a leader, I realize that my behavior has a huge impact on the dynamics of the group. I realize that many people follow my lead, so when I am being distracting during a youth event, I am distracting not only myself, but a large number of people at the same time. I therefore commit myself to making a positive contribution to the group by participating, listening, and having a good attitude toward the activities that are going on.

V. Commitment to spending the time necessary to accomplish the goals of the youth council

As a youth council member I realize that leadership is more than having a good idea. Leadership involves a process that starts with brainstorming, proceeds in working and planning, and culminates in an event that we can celebrate. Therefore, I commit to make the time to work on and plan out the goals that we set before ourselves in youth council meetings, knowing this will require my effort outside the confines of our monthly meetings.

VI. Commitment to participating in a mid-year self-reflection

As a committed youth council member, I am excited about these goals. I know that all of us can always grow as Christians and as leaders, and I am committing myself to the process of growth. In order to make this commitment plan more than a good intention, I commit to review the goals I have made here half-way through the year with someone on the youth staff.

The commitments I have made today are important as I seek to grow personally as a Christian, and they are important as I seek to be a vital and healthy member of our youth council. Because they are personal, I trust that this document will remain confidential. Because they are also necessary for the health of our group, I promise I will take them seriously and allow myself to be held accountable in love.

(Youth Council Member's Signature)

(Youth Minister's Signature)

(Today's Date)

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