Youth Advisory Committee (Quarterly)

Description: Small Group of committed parents involved in the youth ministry program who brainstorm, troubleshoot and discuss youth ministry strategies in an atmosphere of humility and confidentiality. This committee would develop the agenda for quarterly parents meetings. This committee would set policies for youth ministry and assess it. **Rationale**: Youth Director needs help planning, making decisions, assessing, praying, and ministering to youth families. The small group would promote more intimate discussion of current issues in the youth ministry. The group leadership context would prevent the youth ministry from becoming one-sided in its strategy. "In the abundance of counselors there is victory." (Prov. 24:6, cf. Prov. 11:14)

Volunteer Leaders Meeting (Twice Monthly)

Description: Have dinner together, pray for one another, study leadership principles, and disseminate responsibilities for shepherding and ministering to the youth. **Rationale:** It's draining to minister to teenagers, or it can be if you are not being fed and encouraged in a small group context. That's why I want to provide this for the volunteer

leaders. Also the ratio that we're aiming for in terms of adult to teens is 3:1, that is three adults for every one teen. This meeting would facilitate more adults being involved in teens lives.

Wyld Life Leaders Meeting (Monthly)

Description: A time for high school students to be trained by God's Word how to minister to others, especially middle school students involved in Wyld Life. This would also be a time of prayer for one another, connection, growth, as we plan each month's wyld life event.

Rationale: Wyld Life nights are not meant to be merely a fun night of exciting, safe activities. Wyld Life is meant to be a time when middle school students hear about Jesus. Since most people really hear about Jesus by watching the way a Christian lives their life, we need a time to grow in Christ and in our heart for others as a Wyld Life ministry team.

Middle and High Sunday School

Description: Studying God's word together with a teacher. Sharing prayer concerns. Praying for one another. Getting to know fellow students through interactive study. Memorize Scripture together.

Rationale: God has said that his word would go forth and not return to him void. This is where the real power is going to come from. It's okay to go on sanctified tangents but it's good to let the scripture set the agenda. With teenagers it's time to start teaching them to fish instead of just giving them a fish. Priority will be placed on training for personal bible study.

Nota bene: We will still be having family Sunday school during the summers

Wyld Life Friday Night for middle school students (monthly) Wyldlife.

Description: Youth from all over the area come to play games, sing, meet one another, eat snacks, and hear a short evangelistic talk in the gym at Liberty Christian School. **Rationale**: This is an established ministry with large attendance. I want to provide an entry point for some youth to get interested in Jesus and in our church. I want to provide our students with an easy venue to invite their non-christian or nominal Christian friends to. This also gives us a good chance to train high school students as leaders and to connect with other local churches in middle school ministry.

F.I.S.H. Sunday Night for high school students (monthly)



Description: Meeting in a student's house for fellowship, food, video, and short evangelistic talk.

Rationale: High school students mostly hang out in one another's homes therefore the home would be a comfortable place to invite a non-Christian. This is an established ministry as well. Furthermore there are several parents who are open to having youth in their home and have homes large enough to entertain high schoolers and their friends.

Discipleship:

X-factor 2 Sunday nights



Description: Mixers, Competition, Games, Snacks, time of testimony and or prayer, singing, and a world or life view talk.

Rationale: A venue for middle school students and high school students to show their faith, and grow in their knowledge of the way that the gospel affects our whole life.

Fellowship and Service:

Cross Generation 1 Saturday event



Description: A Saturday outing either to play or to serve where youth and their whole families are invited to join together. Trip to the beach, to Hershey Park, Laser Tag, or Roller skating. Or Sandtown, Westminster Rescue Mission, Lutheran Home etc. **Rationale:** This church loves to interact as families. We are trying to reach whole families. It's helpful for whole families to interact with each other.