

MVMNT STDNTS SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT TRACKING PROGRAM

Purpose of the Program

MVMNT STDNTS exists to help every student take their next steps in order to know Jesus, love others, and live changed! We believe that ongoing spiritual development through discipleship is key in helping students grow in their faith and grow closer to God. There are several core disciplines that we believe are vital to the health and growth of students within our ministry. We track the engagement and development of each student in the ministry in order to help them grow, encourage them in their weaker areas, and celebrate when God works in and through them to develop them to be more like Jesus. While the primary focus will always be the growth and development of mature Christians within our student ministry, completion of the Spiritual Development Program does include some benefits and incentives for students and parents. Completion of the Spiritual Development Program will result in a FREE week of Summer Camp at Word of Life The Coast, a FREE weekend of Winter Camp at Word of Life Pursuit Camp, and a \$500 scholarship for each year the Spiritual Development Program is completed to the Word of Life Bible Institute. That equals close to \$750 of discounts for summer and winter camp, if completed. Students are required to earn 500 Spiritual Development points by participating in and working through the core disciplines of spiritual growth.

Core Disciplines of Spiritual Development

We have honed in on 8 core disciplines that, when exercised regularly, leads to significant spiritual development and personal growth. Each core discipline is allotted a certain point value and max capacity for earnings within that discipline. Below, you will find a brief description of each discipline, their point value, max capacity to be earned, and some suggestions on how to get plugged into said discipline.

1. **Honest Community (Attendance)**. We believe that it is vital for students to be present and part of a local body of believers by attending church gatherings. Attending student ministry and/or church events doesn't just benefit the student who shows up, but the entire group benefits from the community and encouragement. That is why Hebrews 10 states: *"24 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near."* (Hebrews 10:24-25). **Each ministry event attended is equal to 2 points per event attended with a maximum capacity for 40 points total.**
2. **Ongoing Growth (Daily Devotional)**. We believe that spending time reading, studying, and applying God's word to our lives is one of the most important things that a Christian can do to grow in their faith and relationship with Jesus. Spending time in God's word helps us to know Him more, recognize how He has called us to live, say no to sin, and encourage others. That is why Psalm 119:11 states: *"9 How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. 10 With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! 11 I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you."* (Psalm 119:9-11). **Each daily devotional that is**

completed is equal to 1 point per daily devotional with a maximum capacity of 200 points total. *See Appendix 1 for resources for daily devotionals.

3. **Ongoing Growth (Scripture Memorization)**. We believe that memorizing scripture is vital in spiritual development and growth in the life of a believer. Scripture memorization not only helps us to recall the promises and commands of God, but also helps us to combat sin and temptation within our lives. This is echoed in the command given to Joshua: *“8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.”* (Joshua 1:8). **Each verse and/or passage memorized is equal to 5 points per verse/passage recited with a maximum capacity of 120 points total. *See Appendix 1 for resources for Scripture Memorization.**
4. **Ongoing Growth (Spiritual Book Reading)**. We believe that there is so much to learn from many amazing authors who are devoted to writing about ministry, church history, or recording the stories of men and women of great faith. Psalm 78 gives us encouragement to share with the next generation all of the good things that God has done and has promised: *“4 We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.”* (Psalm 78:4). **Each approved Spiritual Book Reading is equal to 10 points for a maximum capacity of 30 points total. *See Appendix 1 for resources for Spiritual Book Reading.**
5. **Selfless Service (Serving)**. We believe that serving in the church and in our community are vitally important for the growth and maturity of students. We encourage all students to plug into serving either within a ministry of the church or with one of our many Vision Impact Partners in the community. Peter writes: *“10 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”* (1 Peter 4:10). **Each event served at is equal to 5 points per serving event with a maximum capacity of 80 points total. *See Appendix 1 for resources for Serving at Movement Church and/or Vision Impact Partners.**
6. **Compelling Faith (Gospel Conversations)**. We believe that students have been called to share their faith with their friends, family, and communities. All believers have been commanded by Jesus Christ to tell the world about Him: *“19 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, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”* (Matthew 28:19-20). **Each gospel conversation is equal to 10 points per individual shared with for a maximum of 100 points total.**
7. **Compelling Faith (Bring a Friend)**. Students are encouraged to invite their friends and peers to “come and see” what God is doing in His church. We believe that your students

are the best way to reach lost students in our communities. *“45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” 46 Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” (John 1:45-46).* **Each friend brought to an official ministry event is equal to 5 points per friend with a maximum of 50 points total.**

Tracking of Spiritual Development

We believe that parents are the most important person in the spiritual development and discipleship growth of a student. Your student's small group leader is a great resource for helping students develop, but nothing can compare to a parent's influence in a student's spiritual journey.

We encourage parents to be involved in their students' spiritual development through encouragement of participating in the core disciplines of spiritual growth listed above, the development of the parents own spiritual growth, and keeping track of your students progress in the Spiritual Development Tracking Program. This includes keeping track of what verses are being memorized and successfully recited to you, the details of their serving, the quiet times they do, and more. You will find an easy-to-use record sheet in Appendix 1 to help you to keep track of their progress. The Spiritual Development Tracking sheets can be returned to the Student Ministry Pastor at the beginning of each month to ensure that all points are accounted for.

Small Group Leaders and/or the Student Ministry Pastor can help record the spiritual development progress of students who are unable to keep a record for themselves. Small Group Leaders and/or the Student Ministry Pastor keep track of attendance for ministry events for all students.

Thank you

Thank you for what we already know will be another great season of student ministry at Movement Church. Thank you for entrusting your students to us as we seek to move them to know Jesus, love others, and live changed! We look forward to partnering with you in the Spiritual Development of your students!

Appendix 1 - Spiritual Development Resources

Spiritual Development Tracking Sheet

- Please follow the link below to find the printable Spiritual Development Tracking Sheet.
 - [Spiritual Development Tracking Sheets](#)

Daily Devotional Resources

- Every week, MVMNT STDNTS produces a free, week-long Daily Devotional booklet relating to the lesson taught on Wednesday night. Each day of the daily devotional booklet is equal to 1 point.
- Word of Life Fellowship has their own daily devotional books for students available for purchase. You can purchase physical copies of their devotional books or download their devotional book app. You can find the physical books and app by following the link below.
 - <https://wolstore.org/collections/quiet-times-1>
- The Word of Life Quiet Time App is a great tool for accountability, both with you as the parent and your students small group leader. We encourage YOU to download the app and participate in daily devotionals with your students!
 - Small Group Leader accountability can be set up through the app and allows messages of encouragement and reminders to be sent through the app from leaders to students and vice versa.

Scripture Memorization Resources

- We have a list of verses that we encourage students to memorize for the Spiritual Development Program. You can find those “Verse Packs” by following the link below.
 - [Spiritual Development Scripture Memorization Packs](#)

Spiritual Book Reading Resources

- Any book regarding Christian Ministry, Spiritual Growth, Church History, or Christian Biographies are approved for this core discipline. If you are in need of resources or have questions about specific books or topics, please contact the Student Pastor for more information. A list of pre-approved books can be found by following the link below. All books listed in this file are available to borrow from MVMNT STDNTS upon request.
 - [Spiritual Development Book List](#)

Serving Resources

- We encourage all students to fill out the form listed below to start the serving process with Movement Church or one of our Vision Impact Partners.
 - <https://movementfl.churchcenter.com/people/forms/692383>

Approved Books For The Spiritual Development Program

Other Christian books such as books covering topics like Christian growth, ministry, or biographies can be substituted for these titles to earn points. Books not included in this list are required to be approved by the Student Pastor.

- Culture - A.W. Tozer
- Christ and Your Problems - Jay Adams
- Dead End Desire (Self-Pity) - Phil Moser
- Discipleship - A.W. Tozer
- Don't Waste Your Life - John Piper
- Eyes Wide Open - Steve DeWitt
- Fight Fire with Fire - Richard Lauby
- Fighting the Fire (Anger) - Phil Moser
- Gospel Treason - Brad Bigney
- Grow Down - Ken Castor
- Holier Than Thou - Jackie Hill Perry
- I Choose Peace - Chip Ingram
- Just Like Jesus (Growing Well) - Phil Moser
- Letters to the Church - Francis Chan
- Living Out The Mind of Christ - Ben Gutierrez
- Mere Christianity - C.S. Lewis
- Safe in the Storm (Anxiety) - Phil Moser
- Side By Side - Ed Welch
- Scripture's Story - Multiple Authors
- Strength For The Struggle (Lust) - Phil Moser
- Stumbling Toward Wholeness - Andrew Bauman
- Systematic Theology For Honest Teens - Truth Map Press
- Taking Back Time (Procrastination) - Phil Moser
- The Children's Bread - Keith Bailey
- The Four Loves - C.S. Lewis
- The Freedom of Self-Forgetfulness - Timothy Keller
- The Lost Art of Disciple Making - LeRoy Eims
- The Pursuit of God - A.W. Tozer
- The Pursuit of Holiness - Jerry Bridges
- Jesus with Boundaries - Paul Belvitch
- 12 Truths Every Teen Can Trust - Paul Tripp
- The Confessions of Saint Augustine - Saint Augustine
- Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools - Tyler Stanton
- The Familiar Stranger - Tyler Stanton
- 10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) about Christianity - Rebecca McLaughlin
- Confronting Christianity - Rebecca McLaughlin
- The Anxious Generation - Jonathan Haidt

Christian Youth In Action (CYIA)

A week-long gospel training experience hosted by CEF

1. What is CYIA?

Christian Youth In Action® (CYIA™) is a program designed to train middle and high school students in ministry leadership, as well as effective and engaging ways to teach children about God. In addition to local events throughout the year, CYIA students are invited to attend our statewide summer training where you will learn to present the Gospel clearly on a child's level, counsel a child for salvation, and lead a dynamic club ministry for kids. Components of this club include teaching a Bible lesson, a real-life missionary story, and a Bible verse, as well as leading songs, games, and a fun review time.

After this training, students who complete our training will return home as summer missionaries to teach clubs at various locations in their community with a team of other young people. These clubs take place in the community in churches, community centers, daycares, etc. Depending on your chapter, you will teach in 1-5 clubs throughout the summer.

- **Develop LEADERS**

CYIA is an intense training program designed to develop Christian leaders, equipping them with leadership skills applicable to all areas of life.

- **GROW Spiritually**

Spiritual growth flourishes when faith is challenged, and CYIA provides a safe environment for students to be stretched and explore their faith in powerful ways.

- **TRAIN & EQUIP Students**

The CYIA training, filled with classes, coaching, small group discussions, and practicums, equips students by the end of the week to confidently share the Gospel during a Summer GNC.

- **GOSPEL Centered**

CYIA begins and ends with the Gospel, as each track explores it uniquely from the first day of classes, preparing every student to share the Gospel during their summer.

2. What Does a CYIA Summer Look Like?

- Pre-CYIA (MARCH-MAY):
 - Register for CYIA
 - Attend Pre-Training
 - Complete pre-CYIA homework
- CYIA (WEEK OF TRAINING):
 - Attend daily classes according to your track
 - Practice lessons & receive coaching
 - Demonstrate ability in leading a Summer Good News Club
- POST-CYIA (JUNE-AUGUST):
 - Commit to teach at least one-four clubs (talk to your Local Director for details about your area)
 - Share the Gospel in your community

3. What Role does God have for me in CYIA?

- **SUPPORT TRACK**
 - Designed to introduce Gospel concepts, learn how to do simple tasks in 5 Day Club such as word ups, song time, game time, and review time. Support Track students only attend pre-training and not week long training. Great option for young students or those who would like to be introduced to the ministry!
- **ASSISTANT TRACK**
 - Designed to teach students how to present Mission Stories, Memory Verses, and other roles in a 5-Day Club. Attends both the pre-training and weeklong training.
- **LEAD TEACHER TRACK**
 - Designed to teach students how to teach evangelistic Bible Lessons, Memory Verses, Lead Counseling, and 5-Day Club organization. Attends both the pre-training and weeklong training.
- **ADVANCED TEACHER TRACK**
 - Designed for students who have gone through the Assistant and Lead Teacher roles. This course will be recommended to students by the local CEF staff. Attends both the pre-training and weeklong training.
- **CHRISTIAN LEADER IN ACTION (CLIA)**
 - This course is designed for those who have completed and are invited to help serve as student leaders. INVITE ONLY

4. What Should I Expect During CYIA?

- **CLASSES**
 - Classes challenge students spiritually and teach Gospel-sharing methods, led by experienced, CEF-trained instructors.
- **COACHING**
 - Coaching by experienced staff provides small groups of students with personalized discipleship and support to develop their teaching skills.
- **FRIENDSHIPS**
 - Friendships formed at CYIA often last a lifetime as God uses camp experiences to forge lasting bonds.
- **FUN ACTIVITIES**
 - Students are provided time to connect with friends through evening activities of volleyball, disc golf, trivia, board games, etc.

For more information on CYIA, CEF, or Good New Clubs in our community, please contact Christina Eargle at Christina.Eargle@cefsouthwestfl.org