

## Ministry Requirements

TEACHERS, SOCIAL SERVICE WORKERS, AND THE LIKE, ARE HIGHLY DESIRABLE. HOWEVER, WE WELCOME THOSE WHO HAVE A PASSION TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE GROW SPIRITUALLY, SOCIALLY AND MENTALLY AS THEY STUDY THE WORD OF GOD.

3. MUST COMMIT TO VOLUNTEER AT ONE OR MORE ACTIVITIES THAT INVOLVE THE YOUTH OF THE CHURCH.
4. WILLING TO SUBMIT TO BACKGROUND SCREENING.

## Invitation

Because they are the future of the church, we take very seriously our ministry to the youth population. It is essential that we help them develop a personal relationship with God and a thirst for a more intimate knowledge of Him that will sustain them for a lifetime of service. If you want to be a part of impacting the future by touching the lives of youth in the present, join us and pledge to make a difference. You will never be the same!

### INVITATION FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTOR

If you have love for others, a desire to help others, and are concerned about the Kingdom and the Ministries of God, you should want to serve. A saved heart is one that wants to serve.

The Bible says in the b-portion of Eph. 2:10 TEV, "In our union with Christ Jesus he has created us for a life of good deeds, which he has already prepared for us to do." These "good deeds" are our service to the

Ministries of God and the We are going to give our life for something. What will it be – a career, a sport, a hobby, fame, wealth? None of these will have lasting significance. Service is the pathway to real significance. It is through ministry that we discover the meaning of our lives.

There are no insignificant ministries in the church. Some are visible and some are behind the scenes, but all are valuable. Small or hidden ministries often make the biggest difference. In a home, the most important light is not the large chandelier in your dining room but possibly the little night-light that keeps you from stubbing your toe when you get up at night. There is no correlation between size and significance. Every ministry matters because we are all dependent on each other to function.

I want to personally invite you to become an active part of one of the many ministries here at the Atherton Baptist Church! Do it today! Don't put it off. Note that you have been saved to serve and blessed to be a blessing!

**May God Reward You For Faithful Service!**

Because He Lives,



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YOUTH  
MINISTRY

*Reestablishing a Standard of  
Excellence in God's Church*

# Youth Ministry

## Mission Statement

To instruct, equip, encourage and support through God-focused worship, passionate evangelism, strategic discipleship, genuine fellowship and faithful leadership, the Youth of Atherton Baptist Church.

Our ministry takes its inspiration from the Scriptures as found in Proverbs 22:6 as well as the injunction found in Ecclesiastes 12:1

“Train up a child in the way in the way he should go, Even when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

“Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near, when you will say, I have no pleasure (or delight) in them.”

## Ministry Goals

1. To instruct our young people in sound Biblical teaching as an answer to the challenges they face in our society.
2. To equip our youth with meaningful literature and activities to encourage daily Bible study and prayer thereby developing a personal relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
3. To give our young people a safe haven of worship where they are encouraged to sing, pray and praise God in an atmosphere of freedom.

4. To inculcate and teach leadership skills to those who demonstrate the ability to do so.
5. To engender and initiate activities that will enhance and foster fellowship and fun in a wholesome manner and impart discipleship and evangelism skills.

## Ministry Activities and Events

**Youth Worship Services at the Loft (Every Sunday at 11:00 AM): A dynamic, energetic worship service that allows our young people to express themselves in Praise and Worship unhindered by traditional expectations. The Word of God is also delivered by Youth Ministers who can relate to the everyday experience of our youth population.**

- Children’s Ministry Services: Each Sunday, children between the ages of 2-12 have the opportunity to worship together in their uniquely God-given ways. (Offered at the 8:00 and 11:00 AM Services).
- A-Town Youth Choir (ages: 2-17): This group of young people praise God with no limits as they sing both contemporary and traditional songs. REHEARSALS: Thursday evening at 7:00 PM
- Children of Dance: A Christ centered group who express their love for Him through the dance. They are trained to praise dance to appropriate song selections by committed instructors. They minister on the Fifth Sunday at both services and on various programs and outings.
- Youth Usher Ministry: A dedicated group of youth who are committed to being the “best

door-keepers” for the house of the Lord. They usher every 3rd Sunday and receive the same training as their senior counterparts.

- Children and Youth Bible Enrichment Classes: Each Sunday at 9:45 AM
- Children and Youth Bible Study: Every Wednesday night at 7:00 PM. A light snack is also served.
- Annual Youth Conference: Held every year in the month of July, this event is widely anticipated by our youth and those from other church communities. It is hosted on a college campus for three days where the young people are literally immersed in relevant
- Relevant and practical Biblical teaching by competent, capable and well-trained teachers and engage in uplifting worship services in the evening. Each year, this event draws and constrains many to accept Jesus Christ and others to re-commit to His service.
- Appropriate and relevant movie outings, bowling and amusement park excursions.

## Ministry Requirements

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