



# Leading Someone to Christ at a Meeting

You may not need to ask your classmates to give their lives to Christ after every meeting; but remember the focus of a Youth Alive club is to win students to Christ. As the Holy Spirit leads you, find opportunities to challenge your friends to commit their lives to Christ. Trust the Holy Spirit to direct and empower you as you ask your peers to respond to the gospel.

1. Prior to each meeting, decide how you will close the meeting. Will you offer a general prayer? Will you pray a prayer based on the subject of your meeting? For example, will you ask students to make a commitment to disciple others because you spoke about discipleship? Decide in advance. Know the direction you will go before the meeting so you will have a smooth transition into a salvation appeal or your closing prayer challenge.
2. Before you lead students to commit their lives to Jesus Christ, first consider the following:
  - a. When asking for their commitment, clearly state what you want them to do. ("If you want to accept Christ as your Savior, raise your hand and repeat this prayer after me.") The more specific you are, the more specific the response is.
  - b. Explain to those who pray that they are not becoming a member of a local church or club. You are asking them to begin a relationship with Jesus Christ.
  - c. When praying, clearly state the basics of salvation. For example:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner and need forgiveness from you. I believe you died on the cross and rose again from the dead in order that I might receive eternal life. I turn from my sin and ask forgiveness from you. Right now, I invite you into my heart to be my Savior and Lord. Thank you for hearing my prayer and giving me your gift of eternal life and hope. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

- d. Have confidence! The Holy Spirit works in powerful ways in the lives of people as you pray for them. This is important to understand. Confidence comes with prayer. If you question what the Holy Spirit can do in someone's life, the students you talk to will have a hard time believing your message. Pray for your friends, and believe God will work in their hearts. As a campus missionary, prayer is one of your most important strategies.
- e. Take time to encourage your friend regarding the commitment he or she made. Your friend just prayed the most important prayer of his or her life. For example:

Congratulations! God heard your prayer. Many of us in this room have made the same commitment. We need to get together soon and talk about this.

A great resource for your newly saved friends is a booklet called *Alive In Christ* from Youth Alive. This booklet clearly reviews the steps of salvation. You can order by calling 1.800.545.2766 or visit the YA Store at [www.yausa.com](http://www.yausa.com).

Make it a point to get together with your friend as soon as possible. Go through the booklet together; try to answer any questions your friend may have.