



INCLUDE (WEEK 1) SMALL GROUPS—RELATIONSHIPS

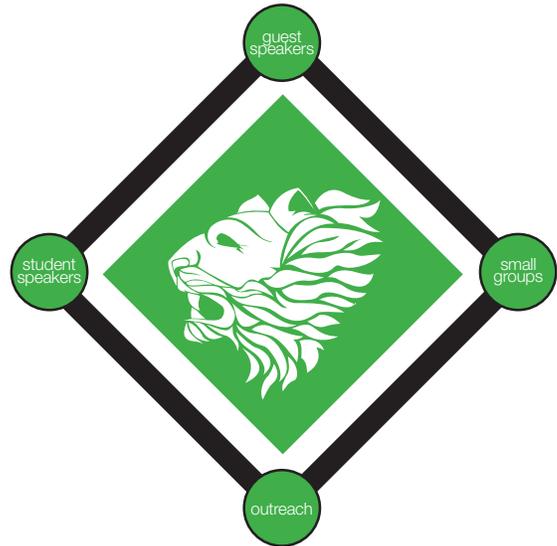
Purpose: To help students grow in their relationship with God and others.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Refreshments

SAMPLE MEETING AGENDA

1. Pre-meeting prayer (leaders)
2. Welcome and attendance
3. Announcements
 - Inspire week's speaker
 - Invest week's outreach
 - Outreach assignments to club members (hang up posters, invite friends, etc)
4. Icebreaker
5. Small group discussion
6. Prayer/dismiss



ICEBREAKER:

Pass out sheets of paper with questions that students can ask each other in order to learn more about each person. For example, "What is your favorite food?"

DISCUSSION:

Read John 15:12-14, then divide students into small groups. Ask them to discuss the following questions. You may want to select a facilitator for each group to keep the discussion moving. You may also want to provide each facilitator or group with a list of the questions and comments to be discussed.

1. What does this Scripture say about relationships?
2. Why should we as a club have close relationships with each other?
3. Why should we as Christians have relationships with pre-Christians?
4. What is the most important relationship that we should have?
5. What are some ways that we can build relationships with others over the next week?
6. How can we can build our relationship with Jesus Christ over the next week?

Finish the session with prayer. Ask God to prepare our pre-Christian friends to hear about Jesus. Daily ask God to use you to tell them. Ask God to help you build and grow in relationships with others.



If time allows, answer the following questions in your small groups.

1. What can you apply from today's discussion to your life?
2. Do you have daily time alone with God in prayer and His Word?
3. What have you learned from God's Word this week?
4. Did you attend church or youth service this past week?
5. What did you learn from the message/lesson?

PRAYER/DISMISS





INSPIRE (WEEK 2) GUEST SPEAKER—RELATIONSHIPS

Purpose: To inspire students to strengthen and deepen their relationships with others and God.

BEFORE THE MEETING:

- Invite the speaker at least two weeks in advance and give him or her the topic
- Instruct the speaker how and when to wrap up the lesson.
- Tell the speaker the time, day and location of the club meeting.
- Select a student to meet the speaker at the office, help him/her sign in as a visitor and take him/her to the meeting room.
- Select a student to introduce the speaker. You will need to get background information prior to the meeting. Give the information to the student who will introduce the speaker.
- Contact your guest speaker again a day or two before the meeting to confirm everything.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Speaker (a Christian businessperson, teacher, youth pastor, senior pastor or other Christian leader)
- Refreshments

SAMPLE MEETING AGENDA

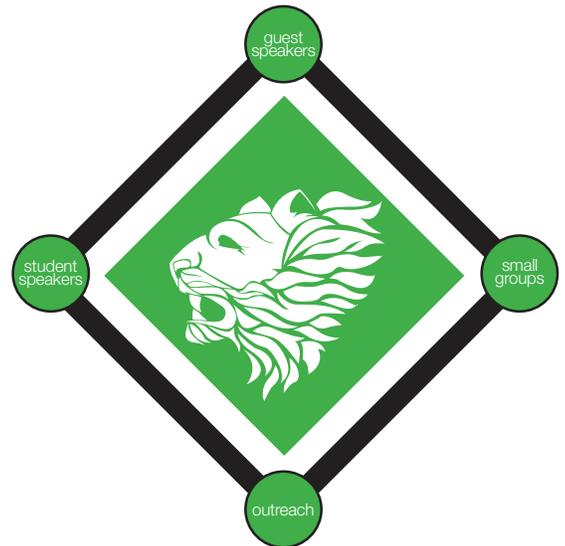
1. Pre-meeting prayer (leaders)
2. Welcome and attendance
3. Announcements
 - Invest week's outreach
 - Follow up on or assign outreach assignments
4. Introduce speaker
5. Guest speaker
6. Prayer/dismiss

SAMPLE GUEST SPEAKER OUTLINE

- I. We need to build relationships with each other and encourage each other (Hebrews 3:13 and 10:25).
- II. We need a relationship with God (John 3:16).
- III. We need a relationship with others and God so that we may more effectively witness to non-Christians (Matthew 22:37-39).

SUGGESTION:

Send a thank you card to your speaker as soon as possible after the meeting.





INVOLVE (WEEK 3) STUDENT SPEAKER—RELATIONSHIPS

Purpose: To involve students in building their relationships with others and God.

BEFORE THE MEETING:

- Ask two to three students to speak using the outline below or to develop an outline of their own that features the subject “Relationships.”
- Ask a youth pastor to review the written testimonies, if necessary, and give suggestions.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Refreshments

SAMPLE MEETING AGENDA

1. Pre-meeting prayer (leaders)
2. Welcome and attendance
3. Announcements
 - Invest week’s outreach
 - Follow up on or assign outreach assignments.
4. Icebreaker: “Dollar Jump”
5. Introduce student speakers (name and grade)
6. Student speakers
7. Discussion
8. Prayer/dismiss



ICEBREAKER: “DOLLAR JUMP”

Get out a dollar bill and tell the students that to get this dollar, all they have to do is jump over it. The twist is that they must jump over it holding their toes with their finger tips, and they cannot let go of their toes. The first one to do it gets the dollar. Odds are that they will not be able to do it.

SAMPLE STUDENT SPEAKER OUTLINE

Text: John 15:12-14

- A. Our relationships with our friends.
 1. God’s view on relationships with friends.
 2. Have first speaker talk about this subject.
- B. Our relationship with God—the most important.

PRAYER/DISMISS



INVEST (WEEK 4) OUTREACH EVENT—RELATIONSHIPS

Purpose: To invest students in building their relationships with others and God.

BEFORE THE MEETING:

- Think creatively. What can you do that would make your non-Christian friends want to come to Youth Alive this week?
- Be prepared to answer questions from non-Christians.
- Secure the speaker at least two weeks in advance.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Food
- Prizes
- Response cards and pens

SAMPLE MEETING AGENDA

1. Pre-meeting prayer (leaders)
2. Welcome and attendance
3. Announcements (limit to date, time, and location for the next meeting)
4. Icebreaker: "Geometry Test"
5. Introduce guest/student speaker
5. Speaker and gospel presentation
6. Invitation, prayer and response cards
7. Prayer/dismiss



ICEBREAKER: "GEOMETRY TEST"

Divide into as many teams as you wish (of 5-10 people). Explain that this is a geometry test. Play hyped music in the background. All teams begin in a circle. When you yell out a shape, they must arrange themselves into it as quickly as possible. Suggestions: straight line, square, rectangle, triangle, cone, pentagon, hexagon, octagon, cube, trapezoid.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS:

Host a worship band with a gospel presentation, followed by an explanation of salvation. Show a creative drama with a gospel presentation, followed by an explanation of salvation, or show a video with a gospel presentation, followed by an explanation of salvation.