CCPC SPIRITUAL ROADMAP

MIDDLE SCHOOL (11-13 YEARS)

WILL.

Experiences

- Publicly profess their faith in Jesus (Confirmation).
- Receive the sacraments of Baptism and Communion if not already doing so.
- Feel at home at church, that church is a safe, warm space.
- Experience a Rite of Passage (8th Grade) in Confirmation Class as they transition to member/adult.
- Receive a study Bible.
- Serve with their family and with their peers throughout the year.
- Participate in a mission trip/retreat experience with parent/ guardian.
- Have a prayer partnership with a mentor.

Relationships

- Honor their parents through love and respect.
- Have 2 adults in the church they consider mentors and 5 adults
 they view as teachers/leaders.
- Begin to build relationships with church leadership other than key staff members.
- Have 3 peer friends at church, with 1 being considered a close friend.
- View a parent or close relative as a trusted spiritual guide.

Biblical Knowledge

- Demonstrate familiarity with the Bible: navigation, format, and content.
- Tell the whole story of Jesus.
- Draw connections from story to story in the Bible, and from the OT to the NT.
- Articulate the gospel message of Scripture about Jesus.
- Continue to commit Scripture to heart.
- Learn to apply God's word to their lives.

Spiritual Habits

- Consistently participate in worship as well as Sunday and midweek CCPC youth programming.
- Develop personal prayer time (semi-regular).
- Engage in independent Bible reading/devotional time (semi-regular).
- Participate with their family in serving, in devotionals and in worship.
- Develop a Biblical understanding of generosity and learn to practice good stewardship.
- Serve at church in a variety of ways.
- Invite friends to church.
- Comfortably express questions or doubts to a parent or other spiritual mentor.

Behaviors/Worldview

- Continue to develop their identity as a disciple of Jesus.
- Ask great faith questions and begin to apply scriptural ideas to daily life beyond simple concrete thinking.
- Continue to grow empathy and compassion for others.
- Maintain a healthy relationship with technology.
- Work out a healthy self-identity through healthy relationships with Jesus and others.
- Be confident in their faith regardless of other's positions.
- Be guided through sexual awareness as they develop a Godly sense of self and respect for others.
 - Articulate clear boundaries established by parents, church, and school, and begin to internalize them as personal boundaries as appropriate.



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