



# HSM

CALVARY HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name:		First Name:		Middle Initial:		
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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU: THE WRITTEN SECTION

### HOW AND WHEN DID YOU BECOME A FOLLOWER OF JESUS?

### WHY DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS?

**DO YOU HAVE ANY PREVIOUS MINISTRY EXPERIENCE(S)?**

**AT THIS POINT WHAT OTHER COMMITMENTS DO YOU HAVE?**

**PROCESS SOME OF YOUR THOUGHTS ON...**

**SCRIPTURE:**

**JESUS AND THE GOSPEL:**

**REDEMPTION:**

**DISCIPLESHIP:**

## PRAYER:

## COMMUNITY:

## EVANGELISM:

## GETTING TO KNOW US:

Ordinary students learning to walk like Jesus did by loving God, loving others and serving His world.

We seek to be a **safe place** for students to: **explore** the life and teachings of Jesus, **connect** with other students, and with Christ - centered leaders. Our prayer for all our students is to become **missional** and **incarnational** disciples of Jesus.

## CALVARY'S PHILOSOPHY OF YOUTH MINISTRY:

1. **Relational:** Earning the right to be heard by creating a safe place where people are encouraged to tell their stories. By sharing life and being fully present in the lives of others, we are able to share the life-changing message of Jesus. In relationship, we can encourage, equip, and teach others how to tell their stories in order that they might be able to communicate the Story. Discipleship helps others understand their identity rooted in who God has created us to be and our stories as part of God's salvation narrative. In relationship, our lives are another tangible part of the gospel of God.
2. **Communal:** Faith is not meant to be lived alone. God created us to be in community. Community helps shape our identities and constantly reminds us that we are connected to a bigger story. Christian community is an "open circle" which invites others to participate in the sense of love, belonging, purpose, and mission of God.
3. **Incarnational:** Andrew Walls, a missiologist, defines and argues on the basis of the incarnation (meaning, God's "translation" into humanity) that the gospel is "translatable" into any and every culture. I believe that Christ can be translatable outside of church. Our hope is that every student will view themselves as "translators" of Christ into their current culture, community, and social lives.
4. **Strategic and Intentional Engagement:** Partnering leaders, families, and communities.
  - Equipping our leaders to engage students where they are at: physically, spiritually, and emotionally. Leaders are meant to come alongside students and be an alternative adult
  - Family Ministry- According to research done by the Fuller Youth Institute, parents have the greatest influence in the life of their kids. Teaching, equipping and creating opportunities for parents to embrace the role of being the primary shepherd of their children's lives.
  - Strategic and intentional engagement in our local communities.
5. **Missional:** Our hope is for students to be able to see that their lives are a vessel for the Kingdom of God. In a sense, we want our students to see themselves as missionaries within the context of their present communities. Whether they are on a soccer team or among friends we want our students to be equipped to shepherd their peers. We want students to understand that their gifts, skills, abilities, interests, and passions can be used for the Kingdom of God.

## HOW WE OPERATE:

**“Contact Work”:** We believe Wednesday’s and Sunday’s are only part of what we do. Ideally, we hope that it’s only 40% of what you do with student ministries and the other 60% is time spent with students on their turf. We believe some of our most potent ministry moments happen in car rides home, at baseball games, coaching, shopping, getting coffee, etc... – all in all, time spent with students helps us earn the right to speak into their lives.

**Sunday Mornings (10:45am):** for students to explore Christianity through scripture. To connect with each other and to worship with each other.

**Wednesday Nights (Small Groups):** Purpose of small groups is unpack life alongside of scripture.

- **Curriculum:** installing missional and incarnational values. Connecting and being discipled, all of our leaders come from different backgrounds, but want to use what they have for the Kingdom of God.
- Our expectation from staff to **every kid:** Be welcomed by adults that care about them. Be with Christ-centered leaders who are: available and pursues students.

**STUDENTS ARE OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRIORITY, SO WHAT MAKES OUR MINISTRY SO SUCCESSFUL IS CONSISTANCY. LET’S STRIVE FOR THAT!**

## WHAT WE EXPECT AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- Committed follower of Jesus that lives a life that is consistent with their beliefs in Jesus
- Participates in both Wednesday night small groups and Sunday morning services
- Have a love for God and a love for students.
- Committed to Calvary Church and attends weekend service.
- Create intentional relationships; be willing to be a mentor and leader of students and not just a “friend”.
- Be an active participant in what Student Ministries is doing and encourage student participation.
- Be protective and supportive of your fellow staff members
- Learn the names of your small group, and students you interact with.
- Be teachable, flexible, open minded and open to feedback.
- Understand that everyone working with youth will undergo a background check.
- Model patience with Students and if you need to step into a situation do so with grace and never to embarrass students.
- Be an active contributor to student ministries
- A consistent lifestyle that models solid Christian life publically, including social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Tumblr, blogs, ect...) We reserve the right to hold you accountable to what you post socially.

## STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Attend Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings regularly.
- Committed to Calvary Church and attends weekend service
- Attend all Staff meetings. (High School monthly meetings, Middle School weekly on Wednesdays 6:30pm)
- Let us know if you will not be around.
- Regularly commit to praying for students and the group as whole.
- Regularly contact two students a week (phone call, email...)
- Arrive 15 minutes early to Sunday and Wednesday gatherings.
- Be student focused at gatherings.
- Keep your time with Jesus consistent. In order to give you must be receiving.
- Any additional responsibilities mutually agreed upon by the leaders of Student Ministries.
- You are committing to a 4 year cycle with your students or unless otherwise directed by the High School Pastor.

Signature:

Date: