



The student ministry at Bear Creek Bible Church is for anyone in 7th to 12th grade. Here, we're seeking to help students understand what it looks like to be a Christ-follower in their context, as well as prepare them for the next stage of life. A phrase we sometimes use is "love God, love others, live loved". It stems from the Great Commandment in Matthew 22 where Jesus tells us that loving God and others sums up what God desires for us. We also add the "live loved" portion, because it's important for us to remember, and live in light of, the truth that once we place our faith in Christ as Savior, God's love for us is unchanging, unconditional, and unbreakable! This love then stirs that desire deep within us to love Him and others in return. We're not simply interested in knowing facts about God, we want to know Him, root our identity in what He says is true of us, and be a part of what He's doing in the DFW area and beyond. I hope you find all the information you need on this sheet, but if you do have any questions or simply want to introduce yourself, please don't hesitate to e-mail or call me, or drop by the youth area in the Northeast corner of the building. I look forward to spending time with you!

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Daybreak

Sundays
9:50 AM - 10:45 AM
Youth Room

In Daybreak, students in 7th-12th grade gather for a time of teaching rooted in God's Word. This teaching is driven by our core values when it comes to developing a teaching series. Our desire is that this would help them see who God is, grow in their love for and faith in Him, and see what it means to live by faith everyday. We also value relationships, so we make it a priority to have time for investing in relationships with one another.

Thursday Night LIVE

1ST THURSDAYS EVERY MONTH
7 PM - 8:30 PM at BCBC

Every first Thursday of the month, we gather together as a large group midweek with all the students 7th-12th grade. We normally have worship through singing with a short devotion, games, food and drinks in an effort to create an atmosphere where students can come and have fun while being challenged to grow in their faith and invest in relationships with friends. This also serves as a great introduction to the student ministry for students interested in Jesus, but aren't quite sure what to make of Him. A big emphasis of TNL is relationships and showing the students that we care about and love them deeply.

LIFE GROUPS

**Fall and spring
times and places
listed online**

Our Lifegroups (small groups) are rooted in 1 Thessalonians 2:8; "We loved you so much that we shared with you not only God's Good News but our own lives, too." In these groups, we study and seek to apply what Scripture says. We also "do life together" by sharing about our lives, encouraging one another, rejoicing together, and supporting each other when life gets difficult. Please check our website for up to date times and locations for our High School and Middle School Lifegroups. We'd love to have you come out and join us!

We also have a variety of events throughout the year that are designed to help us reach out to more people, grow closer as a group, and grow in our faith in Christ. These include summer camps, mission trips to Reynosa, game nights, fundraisers, parties, and the Ice Cream Olympics among other events! We'll announce them on Sunday mornings and include them in our weekly email so that you know when they are coming up. You can find our schedule online at <http://bcbc.org/plugin/student-ministry/> and we're on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/BCBCStudents>.

8 Core Traits

Following the model of Jesus in John 16:12-13a, we're seeking to prepare these students for what's ahead. A major part of that is setting them on a path that enables them to keep growing long after they've exited the student ministry. The 8 traits listed below are what we hope is true of every student by the time they leave us, and each semester, one of these traits will serve as a theme for our teaching for the semester. It won't be the only thing we teach, but it will be a framework of sorts when deciding what teaching series we do on Sunday mornings.

1. A life changed by the hope of the Gospel

This student knows what and who their hope is in, and their life reflects that. (Rev 21-22, Rom 8)

2. Worship is a lifestyle, not just a Sunday morning thing.

This student centers their life on God, and strives to seek God's kingdom first at all times. (Matt 6:33, Rom 12)

3. Loves and serves other genuinely

This student seeks to unconditionally love others and genuinely care for them in the same way that Christ unconditionally loves and cares for us. (Matt 22:36-40, Matt 25:40)

4. Lives out their new identity in Christ

This student understands and embraces what God says about them rather than what other people may say, and seeks to live in light of those truths. (John 1:12, Rom 8:1-16)

5. Embraces living in Christian community

This student surrounds themselves with other Christ-followers who can encourage, correct, hold them accountable, and spur them onward to live for God's kingdom and glory. (1 Thess 2:8, Heb 10:25)

6. Uses biblical wisdom as a framework for life

This student uses God's Word to direct their actions, decisions, and lifestyle. (James 1:5, Proverbs 2:6)

7. In humility, puts people, relationships, and God's glory above themselves.

This student values people and relationships more than programs or their own desires, and understands that God and His Word are the ultimate authority. (Phil 2:3-8, Micah 6:8)

8. Their lifestyle is characterized by sacrifice, contentment, and thankfulness.

This student seeks to live a life that isn't extravagant while using the resources they have been given for the kingdom of God and His glory. (Heb 13:5, Matt 16:25)