



If you are looking to grow in leadership and in your personal relationship with God - we would like to extend to you the opportunity to join Teen Leadership. As you grow, you will lead others to Christ's love within a small group and peer discipleship. Let us tell you what it takes to be a student leader.

Teen Leadership Mission Statement: *To know Christ Jesus, and fulfill His Great Commission, by first living and then communicating the fullness of life within the family of God, The Church.*

Above all, we want leadership to be an opportunity for you to know Christ personally and profoundly. However, with that experience comes the opportunity and responsibility of sharing Him with others. The combination of coming to know Christ deeply and sharing Him with others is at the heart of faith. The Church asks that you strive to make Christ the center of your life; through discipleship we will walk side-by-side to achieve that goal.

Discipleship: *Incarnation Evangelization (1 Thes 2:8)- "So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us."*

Discipleship is a spiritual friendship based on a mutual love of Christ. This friendship is purposeful. Just as you would date someone with the purpose of discerning a call to marriage, so discipleship is lived with the shared goal of growing in the faith and reproducing that faith in others. This friendship is based on instruction, challenge, service, accountability, commitment to prayer, love of Christ and others. The commitment asks much of you, and you will have to ask much of yourself.

Spiritual Multiplication: *Teaching teachers to teach (2 Tim 2:2)- "What you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also."*

Give a man a fish, you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish, you feed him for a lifetime. Teach a man to teach a man to fish, you just solved world hunger. Spiritual multiplication is the commitment to reproducing your faith in the lives of others. This means openness to leading a small group in Edge or Life Teen and disciplining 1-2 others and walking with them, so that they can do the same.

What Does It Take To Be In Leadership?

We ask all of our leaders to be committed to the following:

- Docility to the Church and her teachings
- The Big Three (Chastity, Sobriety, and Excellence)
- Evangelical zeal in building and leading small group
- Faithfulness in attending Life Teen nights and retreats
- To be in a discipleship relationship
- Openness to discipling two others
- A minimum of 20-30 minutes of daily mental prayer
- Regular attendance once per month to Upper Room with all other student leaders

To look ahead, you will slowly be building yourself up to about 4-4 hours a week of work (This includes prayer time and active ministry).. *Know that the burden of leadership is ultimately one of love and that while this may seem overwhelming at first glance, we are committed to walking with you.* We would like to ask you to seriously take into consideration our invitation through prayer and let us know your decision. We are more than willing to answer any of your questions or concerns.

In Christ' Love,
Paola Peña

UPCOMING LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Sunday, Aug 30th

Time: 10:30-4pm

(Sunday brunch and snacks provided)

Monday, August 31st

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

(Dinner Provided)

Wednesday, Sept 2nd

Time: 6-8pm

(Dinner Provided)

Forming and equipping teens for mission, leadership, and discipleship. Application available under the "LIFE TEEN" tab on www.fairfieldt.com

- How to Lead a Small Group
- How to Pray with + for people
- Christ-Like Leadership
- Christ-Centered Community
- How to share + present the Gospel

Workbooks Provided

Students involved in Leadership will also commit to monthly gatherings (called UpperRoom) for a meal, fellowship, prayer and further formation.