

Youth Ministry Parent Survey

This survey is designed to gather information on how I can most effectively accomplish God's vision for this youth ministry. The Spiritual well-being of the youth starts and ends at home, so I look forward to hearing your input and combining that with my ministry at the church. The overall goal of this youth ministry is not to fit every youth's specific wants/needs, but to create a ministry that can spread the Good News of Christ to anyone and everyone that we can reach. Thank you for your time, prayer and insight.

This survey includes questions about your youth. If you have more than one youth, you may prefer to complete a separate survey for each.

I can provide additional surveys or you can find one on www.vicskburgumc.org

Your survey will not be seen by anyone outside the church staff at Vicksburg United Methodist Church.

If you would prefer that your survey not be seen by anyone other than the Director of Youth Ministries, please initial here: _____

MINISTRY GOAL: Create clear, open, effective lines of communication with parents, guardians, and youth.

Youth Name: _____ Age: _____ DOB: __ / __ /20__

School: _____ Grade in 18-19: _____

Youth Name: _____ Age: _____ DOB: __ / __ /20__

School: _____ Grade in 18-19: _____

Youth Name: _____ Age: _____ DOB: __ / __ /20__

School: _____ Grade in 18-19: _____

Parent(s): _____

Primary Youth Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Secondary Youth Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Parent Email: _____ Relationship: _____

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Parent Email: _____ Relationship: _____

Parent Phone: (_____) _____ -- _____ Relationship: _____

Circle type of phone; Home Cell Office iPhone

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SOCIAL MEDIA (CIRCLE WHAT YOU HAVE/USE)

Facebook	Twitter	Snapchat
Instagram	Tumblr	WhatsApp
YouTube	Reddit	Quora

What would be the most effective form of communication for you/your family?

(Please rank your preference)

___ Mailings	___ Email	___ Phone Call(s)
___ VUMC Website	___ FB Messenger	___ Weekly Podcast/Video
___ Text Messaging	___ Weekly Bulletin	___ Face-to-face

MINISTRY GOAL: To partner with parents and families in the Spiritual growth and maturity of youth.

Rank the TOP 5 areas below where the Youth Ministry could specifically help you and your youth in their growth and maturity.

(1 = most important/critical ... 5 = least important/critical)

___ Christ as Savior	___ Growing their relationship with Christ
___ Learning to read/Study the Bible	___ Developing better family relationships
___ Making faith a priority	___ Making better decisions about the future
___ Sharing their faith with friends	___ Taking responsibility for their spiritual growth
___ Truth about sin	___ Making wise media choices
___ Choosing better friends	___ Personal safety, online & in real life
___ Making wiser decisions	Other (please specify): _____
___ Improving social skills	_____

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How satisfied are you with where your youth is/are right now in their relationship with God?

(1=Completely Satisfied. . . 3=Not Sure. . . 5=Completely Unsatisfied)

1

2

3

4

5

Which statement best describes your Spiritual leadership at home?

- Christ is the center of my life We pray at meals (if we remember)
- We go to church We pray together and discuss the Bible
- We don't talk about it I/We are constantly praying & discussing the Bible
- Isn't that what Hank is paid to do?

How can we help you improve the quality of your family's Spiritual life at home?

- Pray for your family
- Provide a parent centered class while your youth is at youth meetings
- Offer parent seminars on relevant topics
- Provide take-home materials covering what we do, including scriptures and talking points

What statement best describes your influence in your Youth's decisions, including decisions about church and youth ministry involvement?

- I leave it completely up to them.
- I encourage and guide, but let them decide
- I decide for them and they are okay with it
- I decide for them and they are not okay with it

MINISTRY GOAL: To get each youth involved in a group where they meet with other youth, led by adults, to experience Bible study, prayer, accountability and authenticity.

Considering sports, extracurricular activities, vacations, family and other commitments and priorities, please rank the following days/times when your youth would most likely be available to attend a youth meeting.

What day or time works best for you for parent meetings? _____

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Rate your family schedule and calendar of events (including ALL that you are involved in)

___ Too busy!

___ I can manage

___ I can pick up the pace!

Rate the Youth Ministry schedule and calendar of events (including ALL that you are involved in)

___ Too busy!

___ I can manage

___ Pick up the pace, I expect more!

MINISTRY GOAL: To regularly create environments where youth are encouraged and equipped in their relationship with Christ.

Which statement(s) best characterize your youth? (If specifying more than one, 1 = best characterizes, 2 = next best ...)

___ Youth events are top priority to them

___ Participates whenever there is not another conflicting commitment.

___ Participates primarily because as a family we require it.

___ Participates only if there's nothing else to do.

___ Are you kidding me theyd rather get wisdom teeth extracted!

What kind of activities would you like to see the youth participating in?

___ Youth Conference/Rally

___ Community service projects

___ Mission Trip

___ Youth led worship service

___ Ski Trip

___ Alternative Spring Break Mission Trip

___ Day Trips to local attractions

Other (please specify): _____

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MINISTRY GOAL: To create environments where youth feel comfortable and empowered to invite their unchurched friends.

Families and youth connect with a church body most effectively when they are invited and encouraged by their friends and neighbors. Please list any families who have who have 5th-12th graders in the area who are not plugged into a church body, who would benefit from being involved at VUMC, and who you could invite and encourage to participate in any of our ministries. List family names, name of youth and any contact info you have.

How can we assist you in getting these families connected?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pray | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone call |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Send a written invitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Host a special event to invite them to |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Send a hand written follow-up | Other _____ |

MINISTRY GOAL: To solicit help from parents and families in the execution and logistics of the youth ministry.

Rank the TOP 3 to 5 ways that you would be willing to help with the overall success of the youth ministry.

(1 = most willing to help ... 5 = least willing to help)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Technology/sound/video | <input type="checkbox"/> Provide transportation to and from events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chaperone events | <input type="checkbox"/> Provide food (snacks, help with fundraising meals) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at outreach events | <input type="checkbox"/> Assist, encourage, support other parents of youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use my resources for youth activities (homes, land, boats, games, sporting equipment, etc.) | |
| Other _____ | |

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In 500 words or less tell me about your kid! What are your hopes and dreams for your child? What do you see them doing in the future? What are your fears for them as they grow older? What do I need to know about them to best teach/serve them and you?

Do you have anything else you'd like to mention, suggest or discuss? Please write it here, or if you feel more comfortable meeting one-on-one with me, please let me know. You can also e-mail additional information to vumcyouthguy@yahoo.com or call Hank at (269) 475-5118.
