

Church Connection Plan

Why:

To help students who have made decisions for Jesus on campus to connect with a local church.

Who:

Student leaders and those who have the strength of connecting. The Club Coach mentors students to follow the plan.

Keys to success:

All about relationships Personal Touches Peer to Peer

How:

Sort Response cards into piles based on the checked boxes.

Summary of the steps:

- a. Day 1 Call/Text new believer before end of the day, Set up a meeting with new believer (invite to church/club)
- b. Day 1 Connect via social media
- c. Day 2/3 Call/Text after meeting to invite back to church/club
- *d.* Day 5 call/text/social media club reminder
- e. Day 7 call/text thank you for coming to club/church
- f. Day 7 share their story at the following link www.firstpriority.club/story

Day of Invite Week

- a. Every student fills out card at Invite Week
- b. Those that make decisions, check off box #1
- c. Those that want more information about Jesus, check box #2
- d. Collected all forms with any of the boxes checked and divid them between the student leaders.
- e. Connect on Social Media with everyone from club today!
- f. If they have not been linked to club via your normal mode of communication (Remind/ Group Text/GroupMe), add them now.
- g. Call/text by end of the day the following:
 "Thanks for making First Priority awesome today. I saw your response on the card and wanted to see if we could talk about it tomorrow at lunch (After school/Homeroom/ etc). See you soon! (or other pleasantry) (First NAME of FP Leader)"

TO TAKE THE HOPE OF CHRIST TO EVERY STUDENT

<mark>Day After Invite Week</mark>:

- 1. If no response from text yesterday, call/text again for possible meeting time/place.
- 2. If you did get a meeting set up, call/text to remind them of your time and that you are looking forward to the conversation.
- 3. Come with names of churches where you know people that might be in proximity to their home.
- 4. Invite them to your church if possible.
- 5. If not meeting or answer leave the following message: "I am just following up on my call/text from yesterday. Please give me a call/text when you can. Also don't forget club meets ______ next week"

When you meet with a new believer:

- 1. Have a copy of "Next Steps" and/or Bible to give them.
- 2. Give an invite card to your church with you.
- 3. Ask them why they made a decision to follow Jesus. Ask questions and listen to their personal story. Finally, help them have a better understanding of their decision if they have questions.
- 4. Give them an invite card to the next club meeting, and invite them to sit with you.
- 5. Pray with them

3 Days after Invite Week:

- 1. Call/Text student a reminder about coming to your church and coming to club the next week
- 2. Send them a text of encouragement/bible passage

2 Days before next FP meeting:

- 1. Call/Text club reminder
- 2. Send an encouraging message to them

Day of next FP meeting:

- 1. Call/Text FP meeting reminder
- 2. If they come to club, celebrate them
- 3. Share their story on Social Media
- 4. In the "God Story" section of the club report, please share their story. If one of your club leaders does not get an email update request each week, send the story to kristinaz@fpofamerica.com.

If they do not come to FP Meeting but go to your church:

- 1. Invite them to come back to FP at school
- 2. Share their connection to church on social media
- 3. In the "God Story" section of the club review, please share their story.

If they do not come to FP Meeting or Church:

1. Call/Text the following:

"Sorry we missed you at FP/Church today, we really would love for you to join us next week. Let me know how I can help you connect. Can we meet up sometime this week?"

2. Invite through social media as well

It is vital that a student that makes a decision or wants to connect with a church have at least 5-7 "touches". Social Media can be a huge help, but do not rely on it, personal connect is the best.