

Mentoring Session #5

Take TWO sheets, one for the student and one for the mentor.

Opening Prayer *Students - Please begin with prayer.*

Sharing Highs / Lows

Share your highs / lows for the week or since you last met.

Faith Talks

The church is sometimes seen as a building with a steeple where people meet weekly to worship God. But the church is much more! The CHURCH includes all the people around the world who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord. If we are part of a local church, then we are also a part of this worldwide network of believers. May you discover the power and joy that comes from belonging to the CHURCH and being an active member of this very special group of people.

My Church

I started to attend my church (how long ago?)

Three reasons I continue to attend are...

Name some ways that the church is similar to / different from other organizations...

If a friend asked me, *“What difference does going to your church make in your life?”* I’d say...

A person at my church who helps me feel welcome is _____ because he/she...

Sometimes I wish my church would...

Here’s my own definition: The “Church” is...

One question or concern I have about my church is...

Share and Listen: Share and Listen to each other as you share your responses.

Scripture Talk : *Read Matthew 18:20*

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

What do you think he means by the promise that he will be present when two or three are gathered in his name?

Share and Listen

Why the Church Exists

I think that the Church’s main purpose is to...

I think Jesus would say that the purpose for the church is to...

Jesus might also say that a church is strong and healthy if every member is...

Something my church does well to fulfill Christ’ purpose for the church is...

During worship I feel close to God when...

Some of the ways I’m active and involved in church include...

Some of the ways I would like to be more involved are...

Share and Listen

Read 1 Corinthians 12: 27

“Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it”

When believers are described as “Christ’s body,” I think it means that we are...

To know that I belong to Christ and his Church, His body, can help me to...

8th Grade Only – Faith Statement Start Up

How do you intend to fulfill the promises you will make in your Affirmation of Baptism Service?

...to live among God’s faithful people,

...to hear his word and share in his supper,

...to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

...to serve all people in the example of our Lord Jesus,

...to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

8th Grader & Mentor Bring your Bible to the next meeting.

Closing Prayer Mentors – Close in Prayer with one another.

My prayer for our church is, *Dear God...*

*****Confirm the next meeting time*****