

GSM YOUTH MINISTRY

Greater St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church

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Purpose Driven Youth



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Welcome

Greater St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church (GSM) Purpose Driven Youth Ministry (PDYM) is a healthy Ministry whose foundation reflects the Five Purposes of the Church and it's strategies defines why we do what we do; what we do work in concert with what God has called us to do, and is found in:

The Great Commandment *Matthew 22:37-40 Jesus said unto him, thou shall love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment, and the second is like unto it , thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hand all the law and the prophet; and*

The Great Commission *Matthew 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.*

I. Open Letter to Leaders

A healthy youth ministry must begin with leadership rooted in God and dependent upon His power. *John 15:5* says “*I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me you can do nothing.*” Jesus is clearly saying that we bear fruits when we are connected with him. Paul understood the importance of spiritual growth when he asked his readers in *II Corinthians 13:5* “*Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?*” A test to determine if Christ is in us. Self examination is important and when we find areas in our life that we are struggling with:

- admit your struggles
- ask God for discipline power
- ask God for the courage to express those struggles to someone who cares about you and can help you work on a spiritual restoration plan

As Christians we are instructed to live by faith, but what does that mean to Christian teenagers in the twenty-first century? If they have a whole lot of faith, does that mean that God will answer all of their prayers? Why does their faith go down the tubes when things go bad? Faith is the critical foundational element in the process of spiritual renewal and growth. For that reason, as leaders, we must engage in self examination and restoration (if needed) to display our authentic faith. Look at the whole picture as we lead youth in understanding what faith is and what it isn't. Teen-agers faith is rooted in the present. What's happening now and what I'm feeling now determines what I believe for now. This is “circumstantial faith,” totally dependent upon their ability or inability to interpret the events and circumstances around them. We must redirect our student's faith away from current events and help them fasten it upon Jesus Christ, the only one in

whom they can place their trust. *Remind them about Joseph who spent fifteen years as a slave in Egypt after being sold by his brothers. Remind them about Moses who spent forty years in the wilderness before God sent him back to Egypt freeing a nation from slavery and unfolding a wonderful purpose in his seemingly purposeless existence.* Once we as leaders become grounded and rooted in the lifestyle of Christ, we can proceed toward building a healthy youth ministry. First, enter into a dialogue with your workers by asking them the following questions:

1. Do we have a ministry environment where spiritual growth is valued?
2. Do our youth sense that the ministry leaders are men and women of God?
3. What role does prayer play in the ministry?
4. As Team Leader, are we concerned with the spiritual health of our youth or the “high spirits” from the hyped (feelings) of a great program?
5. How can we encourage spiritually among our leaders?
6. Where is God’s power evident in our ministry?

The answers and discussion of these questions will lead us to ask: Why do we exist? What is the ministry purpose? What is our church built on? The Pastor has revealed to us through God’s word that a healthy church is built around the five purposes found in *Matthew 22:37-40* The Great Commandment and *Matthew 28:19-20* The Great Commission. Worship, Ministry, Evangelism, Fellowship, and Discipleship. These were not created, they were discovered in the word and if we are to grow as God intended, the driving force must be biblical. The church is built on the eternal purposes of God (not programs or personalities). As we attempt to build a healthy youth ministry at GSM every youth needs to know why we exist.

II. Why We Exist

A. GSM Church Mission Statement

The Greater St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church exists to bring people to Jesus and **Membership** in his family, develop them into Christ like **Maturity**, equip them for their **Ministry** in the Church and life **Mission** in the world in order to **Magnify** God's name; therefore, GSM Youth Ministry will build their Ministry on the same biblical purposes (worship, ministry, evangelism, fellowship, and discipleship).

Worship- Celebrating God's presence and honoring Him with our lifestyles. *Romans 12:1*

Ministry- Meeting needs with love God has blessed every believer with special gifts to be used for Ministry. *God given gifts don't come from an age limitation.* In the absence of biblical purpose and leadership, there is little chance of developing a healthy youth ministry, therefore GSM Youth Ministry will experience a relationship between spiritual and numerical growth by rooting our activities in the five purposes and putting leadership behind the purposes that will reflect passion, direction and confidence.

Evangelism- Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with others who do not have a personal relationship with God. *(Acts 1:8)* Jesus last words reminds us that we are called to be his witnesses.

Fellowship- After youths become believers they are welcomed into the fellowship of believers. *(Ephesians 2:19)*

Discipleship- A life long process used to maturity in Christ. *Healthy discipleship flourishes under spiritual leaders who are willing to do the possible. They*

*continue to plant seeds and water students faith.
(God will do the impossible to bring growth) I
Corinthians 3:6-7*

B. PDYM Mission Statement

“Youth Friendly Words”

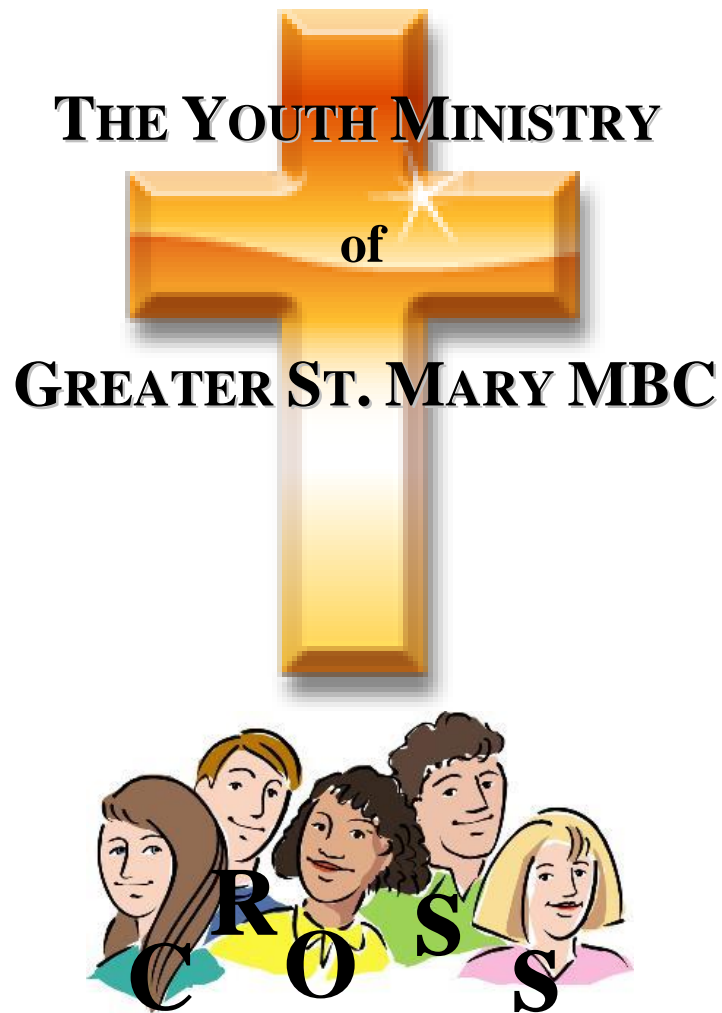
Our Youth Ministry exist to **Reach** non believing students to help them **Share** in God’s word, to **Offer** themselves in **Service** to Christ and to **Care** for one another.

C --	are	Fellowship
R --	each	Evangelism
O --	ffer	Worship
S --	hare	Discipleship
S --	ervice	Ministry

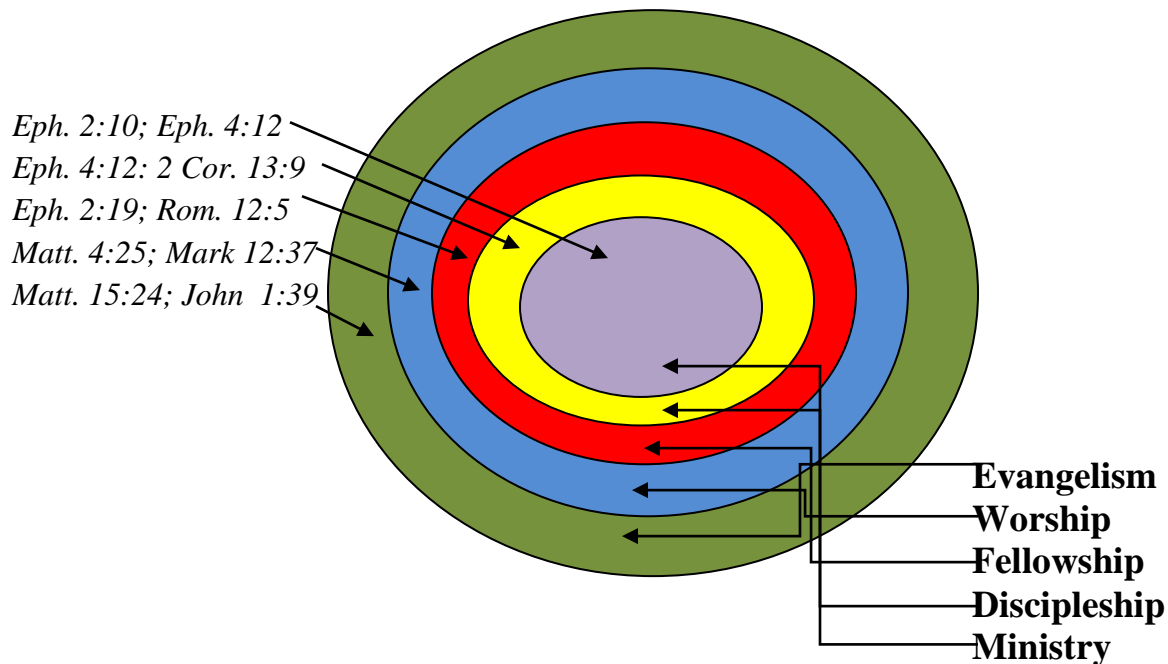
C. Logo

GSM's PDYM Logo is CROSS

- It is our brand symbol
- It proclaims our purpose
- It shows our process



D. How We Identify Our Target



Circle of Commitment

The Circle of Commitment establish two tasks:

1. Helps illustrate our potential audiences. (knowing who we are trying to reach enables us to develop programs that focus on one of the five purposes and target our potential audience.)
2. The circle helps communicate the goal of our Youth Ministry; to reach youth(s) from the community and move them to core commitment.

E. How We Identify Spiritual Commitments

At GSM we put some spiritual commitments unto a concise (brief) language and a clear picture.

1. Concise Language

a. *The Community Youth*

This youth has no spiritual commitment, they are living apart from Christ. Community youth don't attend church.

- b. *The Crowd Youth*
This youth is committed to hearing about Christ. Crowd youths attend church but are not necessarily Christians.
- c. *The Congregation Youth*
This youth is committed to a relationship with Christ and to other Christians.
- d. *The Committed Youth*
This youth is committed to growing in Christ, on their own, through spiritual disciplines such as personal Bible study, prayer, accountability with other believer, scripture memorization and giving.
- e. *The Core Youth*
This youth is committed to serving because of Christ and to sharing him with others.

NOTE!

As youths grow to the next spiritual commitment they remain committed to the previous spiritual commitments.

III. Fulfilling the Purposes

A. HOW WE FULFILL GOD’S PURPOSE ON EVANGELISM

1. Evangelism Process

At GSM our commitment is to “breath” Evangelism in our PDYM. Our strategy for the process of developing Evangelism consist of three elements:

1. Development of an evangelistic attitude
2. The continued challenge to become evangelistic
3. A worship service to which youths are proud to bring their friends

2. Evangelistic Attitude

Jesus said in *Matthew 9:12-13* “*They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick*” “*but go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy and not scarf ice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.*”

a. **We Teach That:**

- The gospel call is a call to repentance; a call for us to change our minds and to change our ways.
- We examine through Q & A if we have found our sickness, and have learned to follow the directions of our great physician.

b. **We view Evangelism as a command (non-negotiable)**

“But ye shall receive power after the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me but in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth.” Acts 1:8

c. **We view Evangelism as a Biblical Command and a clear conviction.**

GSM (PDYM) Leaders Like Adolescents

“I say unto you that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner the repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance”

Luke 15:7

1. Our leaders have a passion for the lost
2. They understand the word of Jesus
3. They love teenagers
4. They model Evangelism

3. Our Friendship Evangelism Wallet Card

Friendship Evangelism

- 1- Tell your friend
you are a Christian
- 2- Invite your friend
to Mid-week Service
- 3- Tell your friend why
you are a Christian
- 4- Tell your friend how
you became a Christian
- 5- Ask your friend if he/she
would like to become a Christian

Friend I am Praying For:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Sharing Our Faith
(back)

My H.I.T. List
(Friends in transition) (front)

Process:

1. Cards given out at beginning of semester
2. Complete step 2 by end of 1st semester

B. HOW WE FULFILL GOD’S PURPOSE ON WORSHIP

GSM (PDYM) mid week worship service targets the crowd youths and our focus is on a blend of fun, student involvement and a clear message.

Our worship is bigger than singing. We fulfill the purpose by communication our love to God through praying, singing, giving, testifying, thanking and listening to God’s Word.

NOTE!

“Fun” is used because we want Youth to have a good time when they come to the church. We want them to reflect on what David said in (Psalms 122:1; 100:2 NLT) “I was glad to go to the house of the Lord....;Worship the Lord with gladness”.

Although the Bible doesn’t command a particular style of Worship. Jesus gives us two important requirements in *John 4:24* 1) to worship in spirit (love) and 2) truth.

Youth Testimony

One of the privileges and responsibilities of every Christian is to share with others our faith in Christ.

The story of Paul's conversion is used as an example of how to develop a testimony along with an outline for youth's personal testimony (see Appendix A).

AWANA

SCHEDULE & AGENDA

Wednesdays 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

6:00 pm to 6:20 pm **LARGE GROUP TIME** (Sanctuary)

Open Ceremony
Welcome (group in charge)
Song (congregational or CD)
Prayer
Recital of Key Verses
AWANA Cheer
Dismiss to Small Groups

6:20 pm to 7:00 pm **SMALL GROUP TIME** (Assigned Rooms)

- Leaders will meet with their assigned groups of children/youth to allow them to recite their scriptures from memory. This time should also be used to build a personal relationship and bond with members of your group through sharing stories, testimonies, etc. Leaders please be careful not to over-talk; allow them this time to share and express themselves.

7:00 pm to 7:30 pm **GAME TIME** (Assigned Areas)

- Games should already be chosen and set up by the Game Leader and should NEVER end after dismissal time (8:00pm)

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Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed
II Timothy 2:15

REGISTRATION FORM

ENROLLMENT DATE _____

NAME _____

DOB _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

ALLERGIES _____

HOBBIES & INTEREST _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS (*In case you're not available*)

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

NAME _____ PHONE # _____



What is AWANA?

The acronym AWANA comes from the first letters of the phrase “Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed” *II Timothy 2:15. Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth.*

Why AWANA?

Our prayer is that all children and youth throughout the world will come to know, love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

- First Goal – To reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ
- Second Goal – To train them to serve Him

How does AWANA function?

There are 3 main segments

1. **Small Group Time** – 30 to 40 minute club segment during which leaders guide small groups of clubbers through their handbook achievements. They are also working on learning and/or quoting scriptures every week.
2. **Large Group Time** – 25 minute segment that may include the following:
 - Announcements to promote upcoming AWANA and other church events
 - Award presentations to recognize the clubbers’ achievements
 - Fun time games and/or activities
 - Testimonies so clubbers & leaders can talk about their relationship with God
 - Singing or sharing clubbers talents in praising God before the Bible lesson
3. **Game Time** – 30 minute segment when clubbers play games led by leader



Journey

High School Students



Program Characteristics

- *Teens* and divided into three groups:
 - COME SEE** kids come for fun, often are not believers are not committed – not formally divided out from the rest of the group
 - COME FOLLOW** kids usually are believers and are committed to coming and participating – not formally divided from the rest of the group
 - COME SERVE** kids are committed Christ followers and want to be involved in the ministry. This group is self-identifies and usually distinct from the rest of the group. They help plan and prepare meetings and events and may want deeper Bible study.
- *Two categories of Bible Studies: Main and Elective.* One Main Study is to be used during the first half if a year and one Elective during the second.
- Students who complete Journey should have a better-than-basic *understanding of God's Word*.
- The *Citation Award* is the pinnacle of the Awana program. Students who complete ten years of handbooks have read the entire Bible, memorized over 500 Bible verses, served in local church ministry and learned both basic and some advanced biblical doctrines. Over 25 colleges recognize this achievement and provide scholarships for Citation achievers.
- *Summit* is the annual teen ministry gathering. Youth groups and individual students come from around the country to worship and be encouraged by God's Word; complete in Bible Quiz, sports, fine arts, and Awana Games competitions; and be challenge to service. Those who have earned the Citation Award are honored and presented their award.
- The program is *flexible* - there is no right or wrong way to structure a Journey Ministry.

Journey is part of 24-7 Ministries – named for our desire that teenagers will *I know, love, and serve the Lord 24 hours a day, seven days a week.*

Understanding High-School Students:

- **Spiritually** – they are facing more direct questions about faith as they spend more time in the world.
- **Mentally**- they are becoming aware of long-term results of decisions and thinking about the future.
- **Physically** - their body change is nearly complete.
- **Emotionally** – they are still quite self-centered.
- **Socially** – they are seeking and forming lasting relationships; are under pressure from parents and themselves and about education and the future; are in a time of limited independence, busy schedules, short-term priorities and lifelong decisions.



Trek

Middle School or Junior-High Students

Program Characteristics:

- Evangelism always is a main focus of Awana, but youth ministry is focused *primarily on discipleship* – helping teenagers become more like Christ.
- Trek can function in a club-style format but the materials are *flexible* so churches can adapt them to their own formats.
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- Materials include *Compass Points* and *Bible Studies*, both of which can be used interchangeably in large and small groups.
- Trek materials focus heavily on discipleship, more so than other clubs. Teens are encouraged to grow in their love of God and service for Him.

Trek is part of 24-7 Ministries – named for our desire that teenagers will know, love, and serve the Lord 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Understanding Junior High Students:

- Spiritually – they begin formulating their own beliefs and questions those of their parents
- Mentally – they are developing logic and reasoning to reach rational conclusions.
- Physically – significant, rapid changes make most overly self-conscious and feel inferior.
- Emotionally – hormonal changes affect stability; problems can seem larger than life and lead to drastic mood swings.
- Socially – they desire independence but lack confidence to achieve it; they desire attention and relationships; are in a time of self-doubt, peer dependency, stepping away from parents and focusing on the present.

Purpose Driven Youth Ministry

Activities:

Wednesday Night Church/AWANA

- Fun Atmosphere
- Bible Lesson
- Games
- Outside Speakers (*Driving, Study Tips, Sex, Peer Pressure, etc.*)
- Scripture Memorization

Other Fun Activities

- Area Wide Youth Observance Week
- Annual National Baptist Convention
- State Convention
- Overnight Retreats
- Youth Basketball Teams (Jan-Mar)

Annual Outreach

- Youth Drama
- Youth Choir
- Youth Drill Team
- Youth Praise Team
- Youth Mime
- Youth Ushers
- Youth Greeters
- Youth Counselors

C. HOW WE FULFILL GOD'S PURPOSE ON FELLOWSHIP

Our Fellowship program focuses on nurturing GSM Youth in Small Groups.

- We help them grow in their relationship with God.
- We encourage healthy relationships, trust and accountability with their adult leader and peers.
- Our Small Group connects youth with other youth(s) and build a sense of community within the ministry
 - a) It helps youth to be known
 - b) It makes youth verbal
 - c) It allows youths personalize their faith
 - d) It encourages accountable relationships

Small Group Curriculum

Life Hurts.....God Heals

Thirteen Lessons that help Youth deal with life's Pain and Struggles and eight healing steps.

<u>Week</u>	<u>Healing Steps</u>	<u>Lessons</u>
1	Get Help	Denial
2	Get Help	Powerless
3	Open Your Heart	Hope
4	Depend On Christ	Turn
5	Depend On Christ	Action
6	Hear and Speak	Truth
7	Hear and Speak	Life-review
8	Hear and Speak	Confess
9	Embrace God's Way	Ready
10	Ask for Forgiveness	Forgive
11	Ask for Forgiveness	Grace
12	Live for God	Your Heart- Healthy or Hurting
13	Support Others	Give

D. HOW WE FULFILL GOD’S PURPOSE ON DISCIPLESHIP

Students (youth) respond to separated input in different ways, therefore there is no one way to disciple them.

We use this definition of discipleship “helping youth(s) become more like Christ”. Measurable growth varies with youth. With some growth it may be seen in six months and others may take a few years. Therefore at GSM we put our enthusiasm for discipleship behind Habits instead of Programs.

We define our habits by asking the following questions:

- What habits are important for lifelong independent spiritual growth
- What are the habits you rely on to maintain an authentic relationship with Jesus Christ

Our habits to maintain spiritual growth are:

Hang time with God
Accountability with another believer
Bible memorization
Involvement with the Church family
Tithing commitment
Study scripture

Our Ministry (leaders) provide the tools (resources) needed to develop each habit.

Example:

Habit # 1

Quiet time journal

Have a consistent time with God through prayer and Bible reading.

Habit # 2

Student Accountability Group (SAG)

Partner with another Christian Youth for prayer.

Habit # 3

Memorizing Key Scriptures

Habits # 4

Attend Church!!

(Not just mid-week worship)

Habits # 5

Bank of Blessings

Practice the Discipline of giving

Habits # 6

Root works

“Learning how to study scriptures

E. HOW WE FULFILL GOD’S PURPOSE ON MINISTRY

At GSM we help youth(s) discover their Spiritual Shape.

S piritual Gifts –	How has God gifted you?
H abits-	What do you love to do?
A bilities-	What talents were you born with?
P ersonally-	How will it impact your Ministry?
E xposed-	How can your experience (good or bad) help others

Our Outreach Activities:

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“ANNUAL GOALS & ACTIVITIES”

FELLOWSHIP

ACTIVITY	DATE	PURPOSE/DETAILS
Back To School Celebration	August	Celebration for all youth and children going back to school. Seminars on various topics of interest are held. School supplies are given to needy families.
Hallelujah Night	October	GSM youth and children as well as children in the community are invited to this event to fellowship with each other and have fun. A Christian alternative to Halloween.

DISCIPLESHP

ACTIVITY	DATE	PURPOSE/DETAILS
LH&FM Baptist State Convention	Fourth week in July	Youth and children attend classes held in the mornings Afternoon sessions include preaching, praise dances, bible competitions, etc. This is in conjunction with other churches belonging to the LH&FMBSC.
National Baptist Convention of America	Third week in June	Youth and children attend classes held in the mornings Afternoon sessions include preaching, praise dances, bible competitions, etc. This is in conjunction with other churches belonging to the NBCA.
Southwest Missionary Baptist Association	First week of June	Youth and children attend classes held in the mornings This is in conjunction with other churches belonging to the Southwest Baptist Association.
Area Wide Baptist Youth Observance	December thru February	Youth and adult workers attend ~6 committee meetings to plan for Area Wide Baptist Youth Week in February. This also includes a three day session of evening classes with special focus on that year's theme emphasis.

MINISTRY

ACTIVITY	DATE	PURPOSE/DETAILS
Friendship Mission	March	Assist Friendship Mission with any work needed to prepare their ships for ministry trips.
Abraham's Tent	May	Assist Abraham's Tent with existing needs, usually preparing/serving meals.

WORSHIP

ACTIVITY	DATE	PURPOSE
Annual Youth & Children Day	August	Annual day when youth and children of GSM lead the 7:45 & 11am church services where they showcase and present their gifts in worship.
Area Wide Baptist Youth Overnight Prayer Retreat	April	Annual prayer retreat hosted by Area Wide Baptist Youth.

EVANGELISM

ACTIVITY	DATE	PURPOSE
Annual Youth & Children Day Outreach	August	Evangelism activity that where the youth and children participate. Some sites visited in the past include Boys & Girls Village, Youth Detention Center, Friendship Missions, Free Car Wash, etc.
Oak Park Care Center Nursing Home	November & December	Visit and fellowship with the elderly. Some activities include handing out fruit, singing and conversation.

Appendix A

Youth Testimony

Paul's Conversion

"A pattern for writing personal testimony's"

I. Read Acts 26:1-23

Paul's attitude and action before conversion (vv1-11)

Lived as a Pharisee –v5 (see Gal. 1:13-14)

Imprisoned many saints –v10

Condoned the deaths of many saints – v10

Persecuted Christians –v11

Circumstance surrounding Paul's Conversion v12-18

1. Where was he going?

2. What time was it?

3. What did he see?

4. Who was with him?

5. What did he hear?

Read 2 Cor. 5:17; Gal. 6:15

**Changes in Paul's attitude and action after the conversion
v19-23**

*What evidence of his repentance and conversion can be
found in the following verses?*

6. Verse 19 _____

7. Verse 20 _____

8. Verse 21 _____

9. Verse 22-23 _____

Read 1 John 1:5-9; 2:3-6

My Personal Testimony

Name _____

Year in School (or age) _____

School _____

City _____

Attitudes and action before I became a Christian

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Circumstances surrounding my concerns

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Changes in my attitude and actions since my conversion

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Other Comments

Appendix B

Forms and Reward Program

The logo is a circular emblem with a green outer ring containing the text 'Community' at the top and 'Growth' at the bottom. Inside the ring are concentric circles of blue, yellow, and red. Various church ministries are listed around the inner circles: 'Worship' (blue), 'Fellowship' (yellow), 'Ministry' (red), 'Children's Ministry' (green), 'Youth Ministry' (blue), and 'Adult Ministry' (red).

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Honor & Banner Roll Reward Program

PURPOSE:

This program was designed to reward students of Greater Saint Mary Missionary Baptist Church who are Honor Roll or Banner Roll Recipients during the 2007-2008 Academic School Year.

REWARD:

Honor Roll Students - will receive \$20 per 6 week (or 9 week) period

Banner Roll Students - will receive \$40 per 6 week (or 9 week) period

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Students must be in grades 1 thru 12 and attending a private or public school located in Calcasieu Parish.
2. Student must submit an enrollment form.
3. Students must be an active member of the Children or Youth Ministry. Active is defined as:
 - a. Attendance at Youth & Children Sunday Church Service (third Sunday of each month). A sign-up sheet will be provided. Student or parents is responsible for ensuring you log your name so your attendance is counted.
 - b. Must attend church school at least 4 out of the 6 Wednesdays that fall into that 6 week period. (For students on 9 week period, you must attend 6 out of 9 Wednesdays). Excused absences are permitted for school activities or student's jobs. Excused Absence Form must be signed by the appropriate teacher, school official or employer and submitted to the Youth or Children's Ministry Director 1 week after date of absence.
4. Original Report Card & a copy of the report card must be presented to the Youth or Children's Ministry Director within 14 days of the end of the 6 (or 9) week Academic Period. Original Report Card will be verified against the copy and Original will be returned to the student.
5. Awards will be distributed to the qualifying student on the 3rd Sunday following the end of the 6 (or 9) week academic period. Because students are allowed 2 weeks to submit their report card, the money may not be distributed until the month following the end of the 6 (or 9) week period.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Honor & Banner Roll Reward Program ENROLLMENT FORM

TODAY'S DATE: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____

STUDENT AGE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

SCHOOL: _____

GRADE: _____

ACTIVITIES or SPORTS: _____

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HONOR & BANNER ROLL REWARD PROGRAM

TO THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF _____

THANK YOU FOR SUBMITTING A REPORT CARD TO THE HONOR & BANNER ROLL REWARD PROGRAM. WE ARE SORRY TO INFORM YOU THAT DUE TO THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS NOT BEING MET, YOUR CHILD DOES NOT QUALIFY TO RECEIVE THE AWARD THIS _____ 6/9 WEEKS PERIOD. WE ENCOURAGE YOUR PARTICIPATION AND HARD WORK SO THAT WE MAY REWARD YOU NEXT SIX WEEKS PERIOD.

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR (NATASHA PIERT) OR YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR (MARCELLA POUILLARD).

_____STUDENT IS NOT ATTENDING A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ACCREDITED SCHOOL IN CALCASIEU PARISH

_____STUDENT DID NOT SUBMIT AN ENROLLMENT FORM

_____ORIGINAL REPORT CARD AND COPY, WERE NOT PRESENTED TO THE YOUTH OR CHILDREN MINISTRY DIRECTORS WITHIN THE 14 DAYS REQUIRED.

_____STUDENT IS NOT AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE GSM CHILDREN OR YOUTH MINISTRY. (SEE GUIDELINES FOR DEFINITION OF ACTIVE)

MINISTRY DIRECTOR _____

The logo is a circular emblem with a green outer ring containing the text "Community" at the top and "Crowd" at the bottom. Inside the ring are concentric circles of blue, yellow, and red. Various church-related terms are written in small text around the inner circles: "Worship", "Fellowship", "Ministry", "Education", "Outreach", "Service", "Stewardship", "Prayer", "Bible Study", "Counseling", "Hospitality", "Evangelism", "Discipleship", "Leadership", "Unity", "Love", "Faith", "Hope", "Charity", "Justice", "Peace", "Reconciliation", "Healing", "Transformation", "Renewal", "Revival", "Revolution", "Reformation", "Restoration", "Resurrection", "Redemption", "Reconciliation", "Reformation", "Restoration", "Resurrection", "Redemption".

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Honor & Banner Roll Reward Program 3rd Sunday Sign-Up Sheet DATE: _____

<u>1.</u>	<u>26.</u>
<u>2.</u>	<u>27.</u>
<u>3.</u>	<u>28.</u>
<u>4.</u>	<u>29.</u>
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Honor & Banner Roll Reward Program EXCUSED ABSENCE FORM

To Whom It May Concern:

This student is participating in the Honor & Banner Roll Reward Program at Greater St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church. Attendance at Wednesday Night Church Service is one of the requirements to receive the reward associated with this program. We recognize that some students participate in other school activities (band, sports, cheerleading, etc.) and some students have after school jobs and therefore may be unable to attend church every Wednesday. By filling out this form, you are confirming that this student was unable to attend Wednesday Night Service, 6:45pm – 8pm due to a school activity or job responsibility.

TODAY'S DATE: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____

DATE OF ABSENCE: _____

SCHOOL ACTIVITY: _____

SCHOOL TEACHER/OFFICIAL, PRINT NAME: _____

TEACHER/OFFICIAL PHONE NUMBER (MUST BE PROVIDED): _____

OR

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: _____

HOURS WORKED ON DATE OF ABSENCE: _____

MANAGER/SUPERVISOR, PRINT NAME: _____

MANAGER/SUPERVISOR PHONE NUMBER: (MUST BE PROVIDED): _____

Student Signature _____

Teacher/School Official/Supervisor's Signature: _____

Youth Information Sheet



Getting to Know Me.....

Name: _____ Nick Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Pager: _____
E-Mail: _____ Birth Date: _____, 19____
Grade: _____ School: _____

My Family.....

Parent's Names: _____
Brothers, Sisters and Pets (name and age): _____

All About Me.....

My Interests (music, sports, hobbies, drama, etc.): _____

School activities you participate in: _____
Favorite TV shows/movies/singers/groups, etc.: _____

My Faith.....

Have you accepted Christ as your savior? Yes ___ No ___ Have you been baptized? Yes ___ No ___
Are you a member at Greater Saint Mary? Yes ___ No ___
Please rank the following reasons in order with 1 being the most important and 5 being the least important. I come to Wednesday Night Church School because:
____ My parents make me.
____ To be with my friends at church or a friend invited me.
____ As a family, we always come and being a part of my family is important to me.
____ I want to study and learn the Bible.
____ I sense that adult leaders care about me, or an adult invited me.

Personal.....

One of my favorite places is _____
I am proud of myself for _____
I wish I could _____
My favorite snacks are _____
My favorite way to spend the day is _____
I can make Church School better by _____
When I grow up, I want to be a _____
One thing I would change about the world is _____

*Solid
Rock
Cafe*



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YOUTH OFFICER APPLICATION

NAME _____
MALE (), FEMALE () DATE OF BIRTH _____ GRADE _____
SCHOOL YOU ATTEND _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY/STATE _____
HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

WHICH OFFICE ARE YOU APPLYING FOR

- () President
- () Vice President
- () Chaplain
- () Secretary
- () Assistant Secretary

EXPLAIN WHY YOU ARE SEEKING THIS OFFICE _____

WHAT QUALITIES OR CHARACTER TRAITS DO YOU POSSESS THAT WILL BE BENEFICIAL IN THIS POSITION _____

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION IS _____.

Appendix C

Youth Officers and Adult Workers

RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS

YOUTH:

President – *Responsible for leading Wednesday night church school youth meeting. Responsible for designating youth to lead praise and worship on Youth & Children Sunday (3rd Sunday of every month). Responsible for designating youth to do church school prayer and One Minute Bible Lesson if Chaplain is absent.*

Vice President – *Assist President in all responsibilities. Responsible for leading Wednesday night church school youth meeting when President is absent. Responsible for designating youth to lead praise and worship on Youth & Children Sunday (3rd Sunday of every month) when President is absent. Responsible for designating youth to do church school prayer and One Minute Bible Lesson if Chaplain is absent.*

Chaplain – *Responsible for leading prayer and One Minute Bible Lesson every Wednesday during youth ministry church school.*

Secretary – *Responsible for calling all active youth and periodically contacting non-active youth. Contact should happen on a weekly basis for church school invitations and for all youth ministry functions as instructed by Youth Director. If any youth need transportation to church school or other activities, contact the Youth Director or the adult Secretary.*

ADULT WORKERS/COUNSELORS:

General: All purpose team leaders and team members **must** attend monthly adult workers meetings. Team leaders and team members are expected to visit youth church school **at least** once a month. All team activities planned for the youth **must** support at least one of the five purposes of the church.

Director – *Accountable for directing the Youth Ministry and the adult workers. Responsible for communicating to adult workers about all youth related activities. Responsible for obtaining approval from Pastor for all youth activities. Responsible for obtaining appropriate signatures on requisitions submitted by team leaders. Responsible for submitting requisition to Pastor **1 ½ weeks in advance** of the activity for those activities requiring church transportation and/or church financial support. Requisition forms can be obtained from Church Secretary or Youth Ministry Secretary. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.*

Assistant Director – *Assist the Director in all duties. Assistant Director with planning youth activities. Responsible for coordinating and planning youth participation in LH&FM Baptist State Convention Youth Convention. Responsible for coordinating and planning participation in Area Wide Baptist Youth Week Observance. Responsible for coordinating and planning youth participation in National Baptist Convention of America Youth Convention.*

Secretary – *Responsible for taking meeting notes when necessary. Responsible for submitting to church secretary, Angelia Stewart, all Youth Ministry related announcements for inclusion in Sunday's announcements and church program. Announcements must be received by church secretary no later than Wednesday. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.*

Fellowship Team Leader – *Accountable for developing and planning general Fellowship activities in your designated month and monthly youth Fellowship activities (3rd Wednesday of every month). Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed. Responsible for obtaining*

approval from Youth Director on all Fellowship activities. Responsible for submitting requisitions to Youth Director **2 weeks in advance** for any Fellowship activity requiring church transportation and/or church financial support. Requisition forms can be obtained from Church Secretary or Youth Ministry Secretary.

Fellowship Team Member – Responsible for developing and planning all general Fellowship activities in your designated month and monthly activities (every 3rd Wednesday). On the 3rd Wednesday, church school lesson will be coordinated by the Discipleship team and conducted at the fellowship activity. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.

Praise and Worship Team Leader – Accountable for developing and planning Praise & Worship activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed. Responsible for obtaining approval from Youth Director on all Praise and Worship activities. Responsible for submitting requisitions to Youth Director **2 weeks in advance** for any Praise and Worship activity requiring church transportation and/or church financial support. Requisition forms can be obtained from Church Secretary or Youth Ministry Secretary.

Praise and Worship Team Member – Responsible for developing and planning Praise & Worship activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.

Evangelism Team Leader – Accountable for developing and planning Evangelism activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed. Responsible for obtaining approval from Youth Director on all Evangelism activities. Responsible for submitting requisitions to Youth Director **2 weeks in advance** for any Evangelism activity requiring church transportation and/or church financial support. Requisition forms can be obtained from Church Secretary or Youth Ministry Secretary.

Evangelism Team Member – Responsible for developing and planning Evangelism activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.

Ministry Team Leader – Accountable for developing and planning Ministry activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed. Responsible for obtaining approval from Youth Director on all Ministry activities. Responsible for submitting requisitions to Youth Director **2 weeks in advance** for any Ministry activity requiring church transportation and/or church financial support. Requisition forms can be obtained from Church Secretary or Youth Ministry Secretary.

Ministry Team Member – Responsible for developing and planning Ministry activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.

Discipleship Team Leader – Accountable for weekly youth church school lessons. Responsible for developing yearly discipleship plan for youth. Accountable for developing and planning Discipleship activities for the youth in your designated month. Responsible for obtaining approval from Youth Director on all Discipleship activities. Responsible for submitting requisitions to Youth Director **2 weeks in advance** for any Discipleship activity requiring church transportation and/or church financial support. Requisition forms can be obtained from Church Secretary or Youth Ministry Secretary.

Discipleship Team Member – Responsible for scheduling church school teachers. Responsible for developing and planning Discipleship activities for the youth in your designated month. Provide assistance to other purpose teams as needed.