

# D C C 4:12 C YOUTH

## YOUTH MINISTRY MISSION - VISION - CORE VALUES

### OUR MISSION

#### What We Believe God Has Called Us to Do

We believe God has called us, in partnership with parents, to:

- **INVEST** in the next generation of young people in significant ways
- **INSTRUCT** them in the core doctrines and disciplines of the Christian faith along with principles for living healthy, wise and productive lives
- **INSPIRE** them by our example and challenge them to take faith-filled risks
- **IGNITE** them with a passion for Jesus Christ, a love for the lost, a commitment to the local church, and finally, to launch them into the world prepared for life, for relationships, for service, and for leadership.

### OUR VISION

#### What We Hope God Will Do Through Us As We Are Faithful to the Mission

Our vision is for every one of our youth to be:

- **POSITIVE** that God loves them and that He has a good plan and purpose for their lives
- **PERSUADED** that God's way really is the best way
- **PASSIONATE** for Jesus Christ, for His church, for the needy, and for the lost
- **PREPARED** for life, for relationships, for service, and for leadership.

# OUR CORE VALUES

## How We Believe God Would Have Us Accomplish the Mission

In order to accomplish the “vision” God has given us, the “mission” will be guided by the following core values:

### INVEST

1. **Time**— We commit to *investing* in our youth by spending both quality and quantity time with them.
2. **Love**— We commit to *investing* in our youth by loving them unconditionally, cheerfully, and faithfully, and expressing that love in appropriate ways.
3. **Prayer**— We commit to *investing* in our youth by praying for and with them faithfully.
4. **Mentoring**—We commit to *investing* in our youth by mentoring them through their questions of faith and daily experiences in “one-on-one” or small group settings.

### INSTRUCT

5. **Teaching**— We commit to *instructing* our youth in the core doctrines of the Christian faith in ways that creatively engage their hearts and minds.
6. **Equipping**— We commit to *instructing* our youth to equip them to grow spiritually and to lead healthy, wise, and productive lives.

### INSPIRE

7. **Modeling**— We commit that in order to *inspire* our youth, we must be passionate followers of Jesus Christ and consistently living healthy, wise, and productive lives.
8. **Challenging**—We commit that in order to *inspire* our youth, we must challenge them to live for Christ with all of their hearts and to join us in taking “faith-filled risks” for Christ.

### IGNITE

9. **Mobilizing**— We commit that in order to *ignite* our youth with a passion for Christ and others we must regularly create opportunities for them to worship, serve the Church, minister to the needy, and evangelize.
10. **Launching**—We commit that in order to *ignite* our youth and properly “launch” them into their future, we must prepare them for service to God, life’s challenges, for healthy relationships, and for leadership.

## 5 THINGS WE HOPE EVERY YOUTH HERE KNOWS...

1. God loves you and so do we.
2. You are safe here.
3. You are special.
4. God has a plan for you.
5. God’s way really is the best way. Trust Him.