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### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1

6:00 p.m.	Freedom Check-in
6:45 p.m.	Freedom Kickoff
7:45 p.m.	LifeGroup Session 1
8:30 p.m.	Dismiss

### FRIDAY, FEB. 3

Adult Leader Meeting
Doors Open
Session 1
LifeGroup Session 2
After Party
Dismiss

### SATURDAY, FEB. 4

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9:00 a.m.	Morning Devo (in your own home)
Noon	NC Load Buses
12:30 p.m.	NC Arrive at PC
12:45 p.m.	Doors Open
1:00 p.m.	Session 2
2:30 p.m.	Breakout 1 See "Breakout Sessions" →
3:30 p.m.	Break
3:45 p.m.	Breakout 2 See "Breakout Sessions" →
4:45 p.m.	Break
5:00 p.m.	Breakout 3 See "Breakout Sessions" →
6:00 p.m.	Dinner
6:45 p.m.	Doors Open
7:00 p.m.	Group Picture
7:15 p.m.	Session 3
10:00 p.m.	Dismiss/NC Load Buses
10:30 p.m.	NC Buses Arrive at North Campus



### SUNDAY, FEB. 5

\*Everyone will wear Freedom T-shirt on Sunday morning. Please meet at your own campus.

\*Global Parent Session during Adult LifeGroup Bible Studies.

9:30 a.m.	Session 4 / LifeGroups (PC ONLY)
10:00 a.m.	Session 4 / LifeGroups (NC ONLY)
11:00 a.m.	Main Worship Service (PC ONLY)
11:30 a.m.	Main Worship Service (NC ONLY)
12:30 p.m.	Dismissal
12:45 p.m.	Prestonwood Español Students Session 4 / LifeGroups
2:00 p.m.	Prestonwood Español Students Main Worship Service



6:00 p.m.	Freedom Celebration
8:30 p.m.	Dismiss



# BREAKOUT SESSIONS

**CLAYTON KING** | Student Ministry Building Dating/Relationships Breakout 1 & 2 Only

**JEREMIAH JOHNSTON |** *SFC* Apologetics

MARQUISE COX | Loft 456 Identity: How Embracing God's Identity Changes Everything

**ROB WILTON** | *KidZone* Armor of God: How to Fight God's Battles with His Equipment, His Way

**TASHA CALVERT** | Faith Chapel5 Questions That Can Change Your LifeBreakout 1 & 3 (HS ONLY)

Understanding the Assignment Breakout 2 (JHigh ONLY)



**MIKE TAYLOR** | *Choir Rehearsal Hall* Sharing Christ & Making Disciples in a Post Christian World





### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING (Clayton King)

SFC (Jeremiah Johnston)

KIDZONE (Rob Wilton)

FAITH CHAPEL (Tasha Calvert)

CHOIR REHEARSAL HALL (Mike Taylor)

### MAIN SESSIONS

WORSHIP CENTER

# SATURDAY DINNER

THE COMMONS (HS)

STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING (JHigh)







# **BEFORE ENCOURAGING**

- When we offer an opportunity for students to make a decision, please be on the lookout for students from your group. If you see a student from your group make a decision, please encourage that student. Note: Guys encourage guys, girls encourage girls.
- » Be aware of invitation times when the speaker will ask students to stand up if they want to make a decision for Christ. Please be on the lookout for students nearest you and stand with them.
- » **Note:** Sometimes students will raise their hand but not stand up. If you see students do this, please ask them if they would like for you to go with them.

# **BEGIN ENCOURAGING**

- » First, ask the students why they came forward.
- » Discuss their spiritual background (e.g., what church do they go to? Does their family go to church? What do they know about a relationship with Christ?). Note: A great question to ask is, "What do you believe it takes for a person to go to heaven?"
- » If you sense that a student is dealing with a crisis such as an eating disorder, depression, family issues, abuse or anything you are not comfortable discussing you MUST let a Prestonwood staff member know.
- » If for any reason you are unsure of what to do in an encouraging situation, please don't hesitate to let a Prestonwood staff member know.

# **FIRST-TIME DECISION TO ACCEPT CHRIST**

- » Share with the students how they can know Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.
- » Use the Romans Road. It is important that students have no doubt that they now have eternal life in Jesus Christ.
- » Romans Road: Romans 3:23; 6:23; 5:8; 10:8-10

# REDEDICATION

If students state that they are coming to rededicate their life to the Lord, ask very detailed questions concerning when they accepted Christ in the past. It is important that we are not giving a false sense of security to our students, but rather trying to find out if they have put their faith in Jesus Christ. We want students who leave our Encouragers Room to know for certain that they have eternal life so that they would not doubt their salvation. If students are truly rededicating their life, ask them to pray to God a prayer of rededication.

# **BAPTISM**

Some students will make a decision to be baptized during the Worship Service. If students make this decision, please find out when they accepted Christ. It is important that students get baptized after they put their faith in Jesus. At Prestonwood we believe in believer's baptism.

We want to talk about believer's baptism to every student who comes forward to accept Christ during the weekend. A great passage to share about the importance of being baptized after salvation is Acts 8:26–40. *Note:* We will be baptizing on Sunday morning in the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service at Plano, the 11:30 a.m. Worship Service at North, and the 2:00 p.m. Prestonwood en Español Worship Service at the Plano Campus.

# **BRINGING DECISION ENCOURAGING TO A CLOSE**

- » Review what it means to be a Christian.
- » Have students fill out paperwork completely with their name, address, etc. Note: The encourager needs to fill out the section regarding the student's decision.
- » Review baptism and its importance.
- » Pray with the students.
- » Smile! This is a time of celebration! God is moving in the hearts of His people!
- » If students want to be baptized at Freedom, we must have parent permission. Please ask students to call/text their parent(s) immediately and confirm that they are allowed to be baptized at Freedom.
- » As you exit the Encouragers Room, please give the counseling form to the person at the door collecting these forms. Please share with this person the decisions the students made and whether or not they received permission to be baptized.



### WEDNESDAY EVENING

### **MESSAGE THOUGHTS**

- » While the speaker is communicating, look for/think about the following things:
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- » Next 15 minutes of message write a question.

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

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- » What was your biggest takeaway and why? What was the biggest challenge you heard?
- » What didn't make sense? What didn't you understand?
- » What new thing did you learn today?
- » How does what we've talked about change the way you live every day?

### **NEED MORE?**

- » Go around your circle and ask your students to share their name and where they go to school.
- » Then have them tell the group what their favorite candy bar is and why.

#### They can eat up to 88 Ibs. of meat in a single meal – around a quarter of their body weight. Their tongues have sharp-pointed rasps, called *papillae*, which are used to scrape meat off the bones.

Lions are big eaters.



### **IN CLOSING**

Have each student share the name of one friend who doesn't know Jesus, and whom they will invite to Freedom WKND over the next 48 hours. Have your group write the names and pray for each.

"The future is in our power. Let us, then, each morning, resolve to send the day into eternity in such a garb as we shall wish it to wear forever. And at night, let us reflect that one more day is irrevocably gone, indelibly marked." —ADONIRAM JUDSON AMERICAN MISSIONARY

### PRESTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH PLANO CAMPUS

FOR MOMS AND DAUGHTERS (GRADES 7-12)

WORSHIP // SPRING MARKET // SNACKS // HAIR TINSEL // AND MORE! RSVP: PRESTONWOODSTUDENTS.ORG/GNO





PC: ROB WILTON



Things I don't understand:

Things I need to ask questions about:

Things I wonder:

"Resolve never to quit, never to give up, no matter what the situation." **–JACK NICKLAUS** PROFESSIONAL GOLFER

RE-SOLVE /rə'zälv/ To settle or find a solution to (a problem, dispute, or contentious matter). To decide firmly on a course of action.

### BREAKOUT SESSION NOTES



### **EPHESIANS 6:11**

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

### **ROB WILTON**

Lead Pastor Vintage Church Pittsburgh, PA



# FOUR CHALLENGES | EPHESIANS 6:10-20

### 1) Be Strong (vs. 10)

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

### 2) Stand Against (vv. 11-12)

"Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

- » Receive His Presence
- » Trust His Proclamation
- » Execute His Plan

### 3) Take Up (vv. 13-17)

<sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God,

#### 4) Keep Alert (vv. 18-20)

<sup>18</sup>praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, <sup>19</sup>and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

# Protection God will guard you

- » Precision God will lead you
- » Power God will equip you
- » Perseverance God will reward you

### The Reason for Prayer

- » Enjoyment of God
- » Need of God
- » Mission of God



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### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

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- » What was your biggest takeaway and why? What was the biggest challenge you heard?
- » What didn't make sense? What didn't you understand?
- » What new thing did you learn today?
- » How does what we've talked about change the way you live every day?
- » What do you hope to get out of tomorrow's sessions and breakouts?

### **NEED MORE?**

### Read Acts 8:26-40.

Philip shares the Gospel with an Ethiopian eunuch traveling in a carriage.

### ASK

- » Why did Philip have the courage to ask the eunuch if he needed help understanding what he was reading?
- » Do you think his personal walk with the Lord allowed him to be ready in that moment to ask the question?
- » Much like Daniel resolved to stand firm in his decision, Philip knew witnessing to the eunuch was what he should do. Have you ever disobeyed your parents? What happened as a result?
- » Have you ever disobeyed the Lord? Why do you think you chose not to do what He was leading you to do?
- » How could your being prepared before that moment have helped you stand firm and obey the command of God?

"No man can resolve himself into Heaven." **–DWIGHT L. MOODY** *EVANGELIST* 

# PRAY

Use this time to pray for students and any areas of their life in which they need to encounter Jesus. This is a great time to entrust them to pray for each other and let them own the prayer time.



# HIGH SCHOOL IN-HOME BIBLE STUDIES, EVANGELISM, FUN WITH FRIENDS







# **JHIGH** THEME NIGHTS, COMPETITIONS, FOOD, BIBLE TEACHING AND SO MUCH FUN!





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### ESTHER, THE QUEEN

You are about to read about a woman in the Bible who not only stood firm but also took it a step further. At a pivotal moment when she could have obeyed the leading of God or shied away from it, she chose to speak out. Based on her life and her upbringing to love her Lord and love her people, she knew what she needed to do.

Many times, though, just because we know what to do doesn't mean we will actually do it. Esther is a great example of what it looks like to step into uncertainty and the possibility of death in order to be obedient.

### Now, read Esther 4:10–11.

The backstory for our passage this morning has the plotline of the next Netflix blockbuster. The king at the time decides he wants to get rid of his wife. Obviously though, he would need to find a new queen. The king then devises a plan to have what sounds like a beauty pageant. He gathers young women from all over the land to pick one that will be the new queen. As he sees and speaks to the young women, he meets one that stands out to him, and her name is Esther. He decides that she will be the new queen, but there is something about her that he doesn't know...she is a Jew.

An evil member of the king's court named Haman tricks the king into making a decree to get rid of all the Jews across the kingdom. For this decree to stop, Mordecai (think of him as Esther's stepfather) challenges her to use her new position to save her people.

There is one catch; no one could come before the king unless they were summoned by him. Esther realizes that if she goes to the king, she could very well be killed. So, she responds to Mordecai with her concerns.

### Pause and read Esther 4:12-17.

Mordecai responds, encouraging Esther that maybe this is why she was placed in this position. She is the new queen for such a time as this. She has favor to save her people.

Esther's response is relying on her resolve. She asks everyone to fast and pray over what she is about to do. She also concludes that if she dies, it's death in obedience rather than life in disobedience. She resolves to stand firm in her relationship with the Lord at the beginning.

In tough situations, whom or what do you go to first? Do you go to a trusted friend or adult? Do you go to Google? Do you ask Siri?

Where is the Lord or where are spiritual disciplines on your list? Are they even on your list? Why or why not?

### Pause and read Esther 5:1-8.

Here comes Esther's moment to speak out. She is in the view of the king, and he looks over to see her. In this moment, think about how Esther was feeling: her heart pounding, her breathing increasing, maybe even a little sweat on her palms. In that moment, she was either going to be afforded the opportunity to talk to the king or sentenced to death. That moment must have felt like an hour as she waited to see what the king would do.

As he motions with his scepter, he invites her into his presence. This is the moment that Esther, and all the people, had been praying for and fasting over. God moved the king and answered their prayers. God was faithful to the obedience of Esther. Then she spoke her plan into existence to see the decree overturned.

When faced with a moment of obedience to God or disobedience, what do you tend to do? Why is that?

# What can you learn from Esther's example in this passage? How can you apply that to your life?

In your free time this morning, read the rest of Esther's story in Esther 7–8. God uses her in a mighty way to save the future of an entire group of people.

This morning, spend time praying and asking God how you can better speak out when you need to, maybe in situations when you are sharing the Gospel or just by simply being obedient to what God is asking you to do. This weekend, open your heart and your mind to hear and see what God is leading you to do. How can you see yourself in the story of Daniel? Do you need to work on standing firm and building that foundation? Do you need to work on speaking out in the face of opposition or persecution? Pray that God would give you wisdom about what to do and how to do it.



### NOTES

Things I don't understand:

Things I need to ask questions about:

Things I wonder:

"Take care of giving up your first zeal; beware of cooling in the least degree. Ye were hot and earnest once; be hot and earnest still, and let the fire which once burnt within you still animate you. Be ye still men of might and vigor, men who serve their God with diligence and zeal."

> SPURGEON ENGLISH PASTOR AND PREACHER

The furnace in Daniel, 7 was likely a brick kiln. These furnaces usually were heated to between 1,800 and 2,300 degrees Fahrenheit.



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Donald Duck vs. Daffy Duck vs. The AFLAC Duck

# dare 2 share

Want to better equip yourself to share the Gospel on a daily basis? Scan this QR Code and check out all the resources Dare2Share has to offer!





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**Single Power Ranger** 



# CLAIM YOUR CAMPUS

Want to begin praying over your school? Want to connect with other students who desire the same thing? Download this app and connect and pray!





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Jackie Chan



# **PLANO CAMPUS** SUNDAYS, 9:30 AND 11:00 AM JHigh in the Sports & Fitness Center | HS in the Student Ministry Building

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# NORTH CAMPUS

SUNDAYS, 10:00 AM JHigh and HS in the Student Ministry Building

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# PRESTONWOOD EN ESPAÑOL

SUNDAYS, 12:45 PM SUNDAYS, 12:45 PM *In the Student Ministry Building At Northview Baptist Church* 

Plano Campus Lewisville Campus

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### NOTES

Things I don't understand:

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"Spirit filled souls are ablaze for God. They love with a love that glows. They serve with a faith that kindles. They serve with a devotion that consumes. They hate sin with fierceness that burns. They rejoice with a joy that radiates. Love is perfected in the fire of God." —SAMUEL CHADWICK

> ENGLISH MINISTER AND THEOLOGIAN



# CALL TO PRAYER

We love our church family and its heart for prayer. We would be so grateful if you would add our Spring Break Mission Trips to your prayer list. Please help us pray...

### ALBANIA

- » For Jesus to transform the lives of the people with whom we meet and share the Gospel.
- » For the Lord to open doors into schools and other public areas for the team to meet other students.
- » For the ongoing ministry of the CRU staff.
- » For Prestonwood Students to have boldness and to get out of their comfort zones.
- For travel mercies and much energy (to overcome jetlag).

### PITTSBURGH

- » For our mission partners.
- » For boldness in sharing the Gospel.
- » For the heart of those with whom we will be ministering to and serving.
- » For salvation.
- » For us, that we would come back with a fire to share the Gospel at home.



### PETER: THE COMMON MAN

### Read Acts 4.

This passage follows a man named Peter. He was one of Jesus' 12 disciples and, in fact, was in Jesus' inner circle of His three closest disciples (Peter, James and John). Peter's walk with the Lord had many highs as well as many lows.

### What are some highs of your walk with Christ? List them below.

Peter was able to experience Jesus' raising a young girl from the dead (Mark 5:37). He also witnessed Jesus' Transfiguration on the mountain (Matthew 17:1). He was privy to many moments that the other disciples and followers of Jesus were not. You could say that if anyone would have believed that Jesus was the Son of God, it should have been Peter.

Yet, Peter still struggled at times as he followed Jesus. Peter is the one who leapt out of the boat and walked on water to Jesus. However, he took his eyes off his Savior and immediately sank in the tumultuous waters (Matthew 14:28–30). He was the one who drew his sword to attack the people coming to capture Jesus before His Crucifixion (John 18:10). It was Peter who said he would never deny knowing Jesus yet denied Him three times (Matthew 26:33; 70–74).

### What are some lows of your walk with Christ? List them below.

Do you feel that your lows keep you from accomplishing what God is calling you to do? Why or why not?

One of the keys of Peter's ministry was that throughout the course of his life, Jesus remained his faithful and loving Lord. Jesus affirmed Peter in Matthew 16:18–19 and forgave/ restored him in John 21:6, 15–17. Although there were ups and downs, highs and lows, the Lord still used Peter to share the Gospel message.

A lion's roar can be heard from five miles away.

**One Year of Prep Time** 



In this morning's passage, we see an instance where Peter is before a council. He finds himself there because he has been arrested for speaking about Jesus. This council has many high-ranking public as well as religious figures. They ask Peter and John a question, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" The "this" they are referring to is when Peter and John healed a lame beggar at the beginning of chapter 3.

In a moment when Peter has an opportunity to be obedient to God and proclaim His name or shy away from all that he knew to be True, he chooses obedience. He is filled with the Holy Spirit and speaks with the authority of God (Acts 4:8). Not only that, but all the people see and perceive the boldness of Peter and John in that moment. That boldness that only comes from the Holy Spirit's working and moving in and through us.

Have you ever seen someone so passionate about something that you begin to believe him or take his side because of how boldly he speaks (e.g., sports fans)? Did you end up changing your mind or switching teams/sides?

After they have been bold, the council orders Peter and John not to teach or speak about the name of Jesus (v. 18). However, the very next thing that Peter does is to answer them in outright defiance. Look at the last statement he makes in verse 20, "for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard." Peter's life was filled with moments where he could do nothing other than speak of what he had seen and heard.

Can you think back to the last time when you couldn't help sharing something with someone? You were so excited to share because you knew something that your friend didn't know? What did this have to do with?

When was the last time you felt that way about Jesus-that you couldn't help but speak about what you have seen and heard?

We are commanded to share! There is no doubt about that in Scripture. We are not going to be perfect, and we are not going to be sinless. Peter wasn't and neither are we. However, that doesn't take away the fact that we are to share now the message of hope that Jesus Christ gives us every single day. We share with boldness because we cannot help but speak of the wonders of forgiveness in our own lives.

Spend time asking God to give you that passion, boldness and Holy Spirit filling to share now with those around you. Ask the Lord to revive a desire in you that you just can't help. Pray that He alone would be the source of all that you need. As you live each day, may God breathe into your lungs a hunger for those around you who don't know Him. Pray that you would be the one turning others to Jesus and away from the world because of your love for Jesus.

# SUNDRY MORNING NOTES

### TITLE

PC: ROB WILTON

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### SCRIPTURE

### NOTES

Things I don't understand:

Things I need to ask questions about:

Things I wonder:

Lions do most of their hunting at night, having eyes adapted to the dark, giving them a huge advantage over their prey. They also hunt during storms as the noise and wind make it harder for prey to see and hear them.





# **PLANO CAMPUS** 9:30 AND 11:00 AM

# NORTH CAMPUS 8:30, 10:00 AND 11:30 AM

# PRESTONWOOD **EN ESPAÑOL** 2:00 PM





### SUNDAY MORNING

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# **NEED MORE?**

### Read Jude 21-23.

### ASK

- » We are told to have mercy on those who doubt. What does that look like in our daily life? How do we show mercy to people who doubt?
- » We are given a bold command in verse 23: "Save others by snatching them out of the fire."
  - Does this show an urgency to reach the lost? Why or why not?
  - What happens if someone dies, and he or she doesn't know Christ as personal Lord and Savior?
    - Why is fire used in this verse?
  - After reading these verses, why is it important to share now as we go about our everyday life?

### **BONUS IDEA**

Ask your group if they want to do a driven, purposeful fast coming out of Freedom WKND.

- They could do this as a group or individually.
- Fast from something for 25 days starting February 9.
  March 5 would be the last day, which happens to be the first day of Spring Break Mission Trips.
- » Your fast could be one from food, but it could also be from the following items:
  - Social Media
  - Music
  - Cell Phones
  - Another "thing" that takes up a lot of your students' time.
- The point is to redeem that time and spend it with the Lord.

# PRRY

Pray over your students as they enter back into the real world as Freedom concludes. Pray they would take the love of Christ and their encounter with Jesus from this weekend and *stand firm* in order to speak out and share now.



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PC: CLAYTON KING



**NC: CONNOR BALES** 

# SCRIPTURE

### NOTES

Things I don't understand:

Things I need to ask questions about:

Things I wonder:





Prestonwood Baptist Church is committed to protecting students in its care, and we will always be above reproach when interacting with students both in and outside of Prestonwood. Unfortunately, our world has become so strained that people are quick to jump to conclusions and assume inappropriate behavior. Our actions and intentions must always be pure and honoring to Christ.

# **VERBAL CONTACT**

### Appropriate

- » Verbal praise for achievement or behavior
- » Verbal encouragement
- » Biblically based teaching (non-sexual)
- » Normal, healthy conversation

### Inappropriate

- Compliments or questions relating to physique or body development
- » Sexual jokes, homosexual innuendos, or bathroom humor
- » Profanity or vulgar language
- » Verbal harassment or abuse
- » Individual secrets or special gifts
- » Sexual coaching or conversation

# TERRITORY

### Appropriate

- Public one-on-one interaction, as further defined below.
- » Group or public environments

### Inappropriate

- » Sitting or lying on a bed with a student
- » Private one-on-one interactions
- » Hazing of any kind

# MODESTY

Staff, leaders and students should practice modesty in their appearance and actions at all times. Staff, volunteers and students should be careful to maintain privacy and be alone behind a closed door in any scenario involving undressing, including changing clothes, taking showers, or using the restroom. In overnight settings, sleepwear must be modest.

**Consequences:** Any violation of these policies will be immediate grounds for dismissal and removal from the Prestonwood activity or event. A violation of one of these policies might not only be misunderstood by staff, leaders, or students, but result in legal consequences from parents.

# **PHYSICAL CONTACT**

Every staff member and volunteer should take the subject of physical contact with the utmost concern and seriousness. Physical contact in any form should not give even the appearance of wrongdoing. The personal behavior of staff members and volunteers in Student Ministry must foster trust at all times. Personal conduct must be above reproach. Student Ministry Leaders are responsible for protecting minors under their supervision from inappropriate or unwanted touch by others.

### Appropriate

- » Side hugs, pats on the back and other forms of appropriate physical affection between adults and students are generally suitable in the church setting.
- » Physical contact should be for the benefit of the student, and never be based upon an adult's emotional needs.
- Physical contact and affection should occur only in observable places or when in the presence of other students, staff members or volunteers. It is much less likely that touch will be inappropriate (or interpreted as such) when physical contact is open to observation.

### Inappropriate

Inappropriate touching and displays of affection are forbidden. Any inappropriate physical contact, touching or displays of affection should be immediately reported to a supervisor or the Minister to Students.

- » Do not force physical contact, touch or affection on a reluctant student. A student's preference not to be touched must be respected.
- » Back rubs, massages, etc.
- » Touching of knees or legs
- » Physical affection in isolated areas
- Touching a student in anger, disgust, or frustration

- » "Good games"
- Frontal hugs, do your best to avoid and do not initiate
- » Lap and leg sitting
- » Kissing
- » Tickling or wrestling with a student
- » Walking hand-in-hand

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