



YOUTH MINISTRY MADE SIMPLE

Guide #6 - Communicate effectively with your teens

After watching video 6, work through this guide with your team. It's most helpful if your team consists of people who are currently involved in your teen ministry, those interested in being involved in your teen ministry, and your pastor.

These guides are meant to help you initiate discussion, apply what you heard to your setting, and develop specific plans to implement any changes to your youth ministry.

Poll your teens to find the best ways to communicate with them. Choose the top two or three.

Utilizing the above ways, make a communication plan. Will you:

- Advertise events, Bible studies, etc.? Determine how far in advance and how often you will advertise them.
- Provide a weekly update? If so, of what?
- Offer regular encouragement such as Bible verses, encouragement, and prayers? If so, how often?
- Other ideas:

Identify someone to be the “communicator” for your teen ministry. (Note: This does not necessarily need to be an adult. Consider a responsible teen.)

- Clearly lay out the communication plan for them.
- Be sure that support is given as needed.