

Mission and Vision for HYM

FCC Hamilton Youth Ministry exists to see students connected **to Christ, to (church) community, and in the culture.**

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Teaching the Gospel

The person and work of Jesus Christ as revealed in Scripture is the foundation for all that we do. We are not content with “Jesus Lite,” but will strive to communicate the truth of the gospel story in a way students can understand. We want FCCH students to graduate understanding the one-story plot (i.e. metanarrative) of the whole counsel of Scripture—creation, fall, redemption, and restoration—and able to apply it to their lives in culturally appropriate ways.

Fostering Relationships

Authentic relationships with peers and adult leaders are essential for creating a safe community. We recognize that these relationships are the opening to share the gospel, so we will seek discernment about sharing the gospel where we have not taken time to develop relationships. We will also seek to create an environment where each student feels known, one where questions and even doubts are welcome.

Developing Leaders

Where there is ownership, students are far more likely to grow in their relationships with each other and with the Lord. We will affirm students’ dignity by inviting them to contribute in thought and in action. We will seek to partner with them in ministry, seeing them as equal participants in the gospel, rather than doing for them what they can do for themselves.

Integrating Generations

A youth ministry is not a church, so we will not rob students of the opportunity to be involved in the larger local Body. We will empower them to use their gifts in age-appropriate ways and will affirm their involvement in corporate worship. Whenever possible, we will seek to help them make connections with other adults in the church.

Partnering with the Global Church

We long for students to find themselves in God’s story as part of His people around the world. By providing exposure and opportunities to various church and ministry partnerships, we will invite students to join God in kingdom work the world over.