



RECLAIMING At HOME



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In keeping with the SPD strategic plan for church ministry, the TPUM Youth reclaiming strategy will target both 'Mobilising Disciples' and 'Expanding Missional Opportunities'.

SECTION ONE: MOBILISING DISCIPLES

1. INTRODUCTION:

Our goal as Adventist parents and youth leaders is to unconditionally accept our extended youth and families and to be intentional in assisting their faith development.

2. IMPORTANCE OF RECLAIMING:

Our plan is to create opportunities for local churches to be intentional in actively seeking to maintain contact with our youth and family members who have taken a break from church fellowship. We would also like you to create a list of inactive youth and family members with the desire to contact and start visiting them at home.



3. THEOLOGY OF RECLAIMING:

- Deuteronomy 6: 4-9
- Matthew 19:14
- Ministry of healing 143
- Luke 15

Lost sheep

The lost sheep represents those who know they are lost.

Lost coin

The lost coin represents those who do not realize they are lost.

Lost son

The lost son represents those who know they are lost.

(Seminar series for local churches to discuss as a leadership team as well as families. - World Changes Bible)

Activity:

Discuss in a group Luke 15 the 3 types of 'lost' and Gods' approach he uses.

4. ADOLESCENT JOURNEY

PART 1:

- >Know your Identity
who am I?
In the environment they need to feel secure.
- >Autonomy & Purpose
Do my choices matter?
- >Belonging.
Where do I Belong?
Where do I fit in?

PART 2:

- >Early - Maternal Attachment
- >Mid - Paternal Attachment
(Family safety and Stability - A safe haven) Trust communication & Closeness.
- >Late - Emerging Childhood
<https://youth.adventistchurch.com/youthleader/>
- adolescent journey



5. PARENTS APPROACH TO ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES OF THE YOUTH:

We as parents' have responsibilities in working with our prodigal sons and daughters. To win their friendship and confidence, not to argue with them or correct them. Many feel they have gone too far, that God is not willing to forgive and save them.

Please make it certain that your heart is filled with God's love so you will have an abundant supply to share with them who need to find his or her way back to the Father's house.

When they tell you how bad they are or how they feel, tell them that in spite of their past God loves them and longs to prepare them a place in His eternal kingdom. If you are a parent, you can compare your love and patience with your children to God's love and patience. Despite the fact that God's patience and love is far greater than that of human parents, we have an example to follow.



Connect with them.

Having an intimate connection is extremely important. Young minds are interested in knowing that the leadership in families is normal. Despite we have differences sometimes, but they want to see whether you do normal things like laugh, greet, and smile.

Relate to them.

Relationships are symbiotic. All parties in the relationship are important. In any relationship, there is a difference of opinion. This must not be viewed as a threat but as an opportunity for understanding and growth. They will respect you if you honest, and they will, in turn, trust you with the personal things of their lives. Maintain confidentiality when they open up to you. Authentic relationships enhance us parents' ability to help our young people identify and develop their spiritual gifts.

Empower them

Our children are like cameras in our families. The empowerment process starts with teaching not only in words but most of all is our attitude. Rivet the youth in the truth. It will help them find their identity in Jesus, and it is why we exists (Matt. 28:19, 20). Moses mentored Joshua. He was patient with Joshua, and Joshua was cooperative. Moses did not wait until he was too old to mentor Joshua. In his quest to be the best he could be for Joshua, he availed himself. It takes great patience to work with young minds. Time is a precious commodity. Youth who have a mentoring relationship with caring adults are less likely to engage in delinquent behavior.

Trust them

Jan Paulsen, former president of the General Conference, said of the young people, "We must vote them into substantive roles that bespeak a high level of trust, include them in the decision making processes."

The world is youth who have a mentoring relationship with caring adults are less likely to engage in delinquent behavior.

Perhaps, the devil will happily employ their creativity, energy, time, and resources if we do not aware of it.

However, we must not toss the baton to persons simply because they are young. The baton must be passed on to young people who show commitment, passion, and spiritual maturity.

The youth will never be perfect.

"No one is perfect! All they need is a chance"

SECTION TWO: EXPANDING MISSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

6. JOURNEY TO FORGIVENESS AT HOME:

- What is forgiveness?
- How can we forgive each other when it hurts so much?
- Conclusion
- Elia wellness course Forgive to Live is also a great option in helping families to reconcile their differences. Here's the link: <https://eliawellness.com/forgivetolive>
"Forgive to live course"





7. Activities:

#1 - Talent Show at Home

This activity will help develop and recognise the talents & gifts our young people possess in their families.

The Biblical perspective on Talent.

- James 1: 17, Jeremiah 29:11, 1Corinthians 12: 1-11, 1 Peter 4: 10-11

How to organize. (keep it simple)

- Select a special date (may be your son/daughter's birthday or any dates)
- Plan with your children to let them prepare
- Invite their cousins or uncles and aunties to join
- Select your judges from your siblings
- One of the parent will need to prepare a short thought on affirming them of how God blesses each person with talents and gifts.

Five Reasons why we use our Talents and Gifts for the Lord

1. Our life must flow like a river.
2. It ministers to others for a life changing experience.
3. Shows our appreciation to the Giver of our talents - God.
4. It will help them grow spiritually.
5. We are to become good stewards of Gods given talents.





#2 - House/Life Bible Study Group

Opening the word will help and allow the Spirit to change hearts.

#3 - Camping Ministry

Our young people like the outdoors and will enjoy spending time with friends in a camping experience & context, where worship and music can create opportunities for lives to be changed.

#4 - Club Ministries: (Adventures, Pathfinders and Ay)

Inviting family members and friends to take part in the club can provide a community for them to feel safe and accepted.



Let's keep Praying & Working at it!



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