

THE OVERVIEW

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT STUDENT MINISTRY

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LETTER FROM PASTOR COLETON

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I made two promises to God right before I entered high school. One was that I would begin going to church when I was able to drive. The second was that I was going to do whatever I wanted to do with my life until the end of high school. I wanted to experience all the high school had to offer and I knew God would get in the way of that.

I made good on the first promise. I went to church right after I turned 16. It was terrible. It was boring. I felt suspiciously as if they were trying to make it boring on purpose. The Sunday school teacher was not dynamic in any way. He wore thick glasses, spoke slowly and monotone, and read his notes like he was reading his own obituary. He taught some verse in Romans about how Jesus dies for bad people. He said we would never die for bad people, Jesus is the only one who has ever done that. I wasn't planning on dying for anyone, so I really didn't care. I left the church that day feeling good about myself. I kept my promise and now I could go back to my life.

Fast-forward one year. I was a junior in high school. I threw a party at my house. My friends and I finished the beer we were able to score with a fake ID and then proceeded to raid my Dad's liquor cabinet. We drank til we couldn't stand. I don't remember most of that night but one moment is crystallized in my mind. A friend of mine was going on and on about how he would die for this girl he loved. He wouldn't stop talking about it. And in that moment, as I was dry-heaving into a trashcan, the Romans message, from the year before, came back to me. The words, "some might die for the righteous but God shows His love for us that while we were still sinners, Christ died for the ungodly." I didn't know at the time that these words were Romans 5:8. I had never quoted scripture before, but I could not get those words out of my head. They just kept repeating over and over in my head hammering on my heart.

The next morning I woke up hungover and broken over what I had made of my life. I felt in that moment that God was, for some reason, pursuing me. Not to condemn me, but to set me free. He was pursuing me with love instead of wrath. I was at my worst and that was the moment He came to find me. That morning was the day I surrendered my life to Jesus.

My story is a story of God's faithfulness. It wasn't a dynamic communicator or church environment that changed my life. God was just faithful to His promise that His word does not return void. And so, it is with that hope that we lead this student ministry. We definitely want engaging teaching and an environment students love, but more than anything we want to rest and trust in the power of God to transform lives. We believe the Gospel of Jesus is the power of God for salvation not the communicator or the environment. Our trust rests in Jesus to build His church, Jesus to set sinners free, and Jesus to draw students to Himself through the power of the Spirit.

OUR TEAM

Hannah Nall

Worship Leader

Shawn Darnell

HS Girls Director

Emma Stopher

MS Girls Director

Coleton Segars

Student Pastor

Kyle Sumner

MS Guys Director & Tech
Coordinator



MISSION

**WE EXIST TO HELP STUDENTS FOLLOW THE WAY OF JESUS
SO THE KINGDOM OF GOD ADVANCES IN & THROUGH THEIR LIVES**

VISION

**WE ARE PURSUING A COMMUNITY OF STUDENTS
FOLLOWING THE WAY OF JESUS
SO THE GOSPEL ADVANCES
AND THE FAME AND DEEDS OF GOD ARE REPEATED IN OUR TIME.**

VALUES

GOSPEL

We believe renewal and redemption are only possible through the person and work of Jesus. In a culture that is desperately searching for something to save them, we want to hold to the conviction that Jesus is the the Savior for which we're all longing.

PURSUIT

God longs to be pursued and promises to reward those who seek Him in faith (Heb. 11:6). We want to develop a passionate hunger for Jesus and a pursuit for the fame and deeds of God to be repeated in our time (Hab. 3:2).

CELEBRATION

Throughout redemptive history God ordained celebrations for His people to mark out where God has broken in with redemptive grace. We want our students to learn to celebrate the redemptive grace of Jesus poured out on us at calvary.

BELONGING

Because of the cross we can be fully known, fully loved, and fully belong. We want our students and their peers to experience the kind of environment where Jesus' love is felt and encountered.

PIONEERS

God has changed redemptive history through the creative faith of teenagers like David and Josiah. We want students to discover and fan into flame the gifts God has placed within them to reflect His character and draw others to Him.

BLESSING

Because of what Jesus has done, we are capable of being a blessing to the nations through Him. We want to live out of that truth.

WEEKLY RHYTHMS

WEDNESDAYS

LHPM

6-12TH GRADE
6:00-8:00PM

SUNDAYS

LHAM

6-12TH GRADE
9:00AM

PRAYER ROOM

MONDAY | 4:00-5:00PM
WEDNESDAY | 5:00-6:00PM
ONE HOUR OF PRAYER

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
6TH - 12TH GRADE

LHPM *Live*

5:00PM | Prayer Room

6:00PM | Doors Open / Games and Food in Café

6:30PM | Welcome / Announcements

6:35PM | Worship from our Student worship team

6:55PM | Message

7:20PM | Small Groups

8:00PM | End / Pickup Students at LH Main Entrance

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SUNDAYS | 9:00AM

6TH - 8TH GRADE

9TH - 12TH GRADE

LHAM

EQUIPPING STUDENTS WITH AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE GOSPEL & A LOVE OF THE SCRIPTURES.

We know that students will only live into the fullness of life that Jesus has for them if they spend time each week reading God's word. So, on Sunday mornings, middle and high school students break into smaller groups to walk through a book of the Bible together.

Students read a portion of the Bible, work through discussion questions on their own, and show up on Sundays to discuss what they've read and learned as a group.

Our desire and hope is to create a culture of pursuit in our ministry, a place where they learn how to pursue Jesus and grow in their relationship with Him.



LHAM

SUNDAY • 9:00 - 10:00 AM

PRAYER ROOM

MONDAY • 4:00 - 5:00 PM
WEDNESDAY • 5:00 - 6:00 PM

"Satan dreads nothing but prayer. His one concern is to keep the saints from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work, prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, he mocks our wisdom, but he trembles when we pray."

Samuel Chadwick

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SPECIAL EVENTS TO KNOW ABOUT

- **RALLY WEEKEND | 2nd Weekend in November:** A weekend for our students to rally together to build one another up and rally around the fame and cause of Jesus in our time and context. Every year we focus on a different spiritual discipline for the entire weekend. Our hope is to deepen student's faith in Jesus and their relationships with one another. Also, it's a ton of fun!
- **LH HANGOUTS** | Every month our student ministry gathers outside of the church just to hang out and enjoy life together. Sometimes this is a movie or an event, but the goal is always the same: deeper friendships.
- **SUMMER MISSIONS** | We believe that because of Jesus, we have the opportunity to be a blessing to people of all nations. We focus on this all year, but specifically focus on blessings others this week. we serve our city and internationally.
- **LH/ UNITED BEACH TRIP** | Every summer we head to Panama City Beach for a week to unite as a community of students. We want to finish off our year as a ministry with a fresh vision of what it looks like to follow the way of Jesus so that the kingdom of God advances in our lives and those around us. We look at our values as a ministry, celebrate God's redemptive work over the past year, pray for more, and have a blast at the beach together.

HOW DO WE COMMUNICATE?

- **Social Media** | Weekly | Follow Us on Instagram and Facebook **@LH.STUDENTS**
- **Parent Meetings** | Fall, Winter-Spring | Held at LH
A seasonal meeting to hear from Pastor Coleton directly with Q&A
- **Bulletin/Announcement Slides** | Sunday mornings | Available at each service
A section in every weekly bulletin with weekly updates and pre-service slides on main screen.
- **Podcasts** | Search "LHPM" on any podcast platform and subscribe to listen to what we're learning in Student Ministries.
- **Monthly Video Update** | Monthly | Email | Social Media
A 60 second overview of upcoming student ministry events directly from Pastor Coleton.
- **Inclement Weather or Cancellation Communication:**
LH Website, Email, Social Media
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