

## Exemplar Youth Ministry: Evidence of a Maturing Christian Faith in Youth (and adults)

## A Maturing Christian (Young) Person...

- Seeks Spiritual Growth: alone and with others pursues questions, guidance and commitment through conversation, study of faith, reading the Bible, prayer, small groups, retreats.
- Possesses a Vital Faith: keenly aware of God present and active in one's own life, the lives of others, and the life of the world.
- Practices Faith: actively practices faith in Jesus Christ privately and publicly through regular attendance at worship, participation in ministry and leadership in a congregation.
- Makes the Christian faith a Way of Life: recognizes God's "call" and integrates one's beliefs
  into the conversation, decisions, and actions of daily life.
- Lives a Life of Service: involved in activities caring for others and addressing injustices and immorality.
- Reaches out to others: reaches out to others who are different or in need through prayer, hospitality, conversation and support.
- Exercise Moral Responsibility: lives with integrity utilizing faith in making considered moral decisions.
- Speaks Publicly about Faith: speaks openly about Jesus Christ and God's participation in one's own life and the life of the world.
- Possesses a Positive Spirit: reflects loving and hopeful attitudes towards others and life.