

The Creation  
1 In the beginning God created the heavens  
and the earth.  
2 Now the earth was formless and empty,  
darkness covered the surface of the watery  
deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over  
the waters.

WHY ARE

WE HERE?



PARENT PACKET

## EVENT INFO

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### WHAT IS DISCIPLE NOW (DNow)?

DNow is a weekend event focused on discipleship and encouraging students to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ. DNow is a weekend where students will hear about a life changing relationship with Jesus through daily worship, messages, small group Bible studies, a group service project in the community, and fellowship with believers.

#### WHO IS DNow FOR?

Students currently in grades 6-12

#### WHAT IS THE COST?

\$25/ Student

#### WHEN and WHERE IS DNow?

- Friday, February 16: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- Saturday, February 17: 9:30 am - 9:00 pm
- Sunday, February 18: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

DNow is held at Believers Fellowship- 21603 Rhodes Rd. with an offsite community service project Saturday afternoon.

#### WHAT IS INCLUDED?

- Dinner Friday, 3 meals Saturday, Breakfast and Lunch Sunday
- Student DNow book
- Transportation to and from service project
- Special activities each day
- T-Shirt (if pre-registered online by Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>)

#### WHAT TO BRING?

- Bible and pen/pencil

#### HOW TO SAVE MY STUDENT'S SPOT?

- Fill out the pre-registration form online at: [www.bfchurch.com/events.html](http://www.bfchurch.com/events.html)

#### WHAT NOT TO BRING?

- Weapons of any kind
- Fireworks
- Drugs, alcohol, tobacco
- Prank material

### CELL PHONE POLICY

- Students are allowed to have their cell phones for the event.
- Leaders may ask students to turn cell phones off during Group times.
- Students are solely responsible for keeping up with their cell phone during the event.

### CONTACTS

- Student Pastor // Cell Phone: Pastor Matt Campbell // 281.961.6635
- Believers Fellowship Main Number: 281.350.9673

## Disciple Now (DNow)

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED BY February 16<sup>th</sup> FOR YOUR STUDENT TO ATTEND.  
(One Form Per Student Is Required)

### Student Information:

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB (mm/dd/year): \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent / Legal Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Legal Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Legal Guardian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Who will be picking the student up at the end of the Retreat? \_\_\_\_\_

### Student Medical Information:

Known Food Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Known Drug Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

List All Current Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

List Any Medical Conditions (physical, mental, or emotional) That Pose A Challenge Under Stress: \_\_\_\_\_

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Previous Operations or Illnesses: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Waivers & Conditions of Enrollment

**Parent / Legal Guardian, complete pages 1 and 2 of 2, initial paragraphs 1-4, and sign at the bottom.**

**(Consent by a parent or guardian is required for those under the age of 19)**

- A.** Believers Fellowship reserves the right to dismiss a student who is a hazard to the safety and rights of others, or who appears to have rejected the reasonable controls of the retreat center and church leaders. If this occurs, the fee is non-refundable. The parent/guardian certifies that the applicant student is normal in condition and habits and is amenable to necessary discipline. I understand that the possession of and or use of tobacco products, non-prescription drugs, and alcohol to include vaping is prohibited. I acknowledge I assume full personal responsibility and agree that I release and forever hold harmless Believers Fellowship and staff from all claims or demands for personal injury, sickness, and death, as well as loss of property or property damage and expenses of any nature whatsoever arising out of the willful or negligent actions or omissions of my minor child during the participation of this event.

**Initial** \_\_\_\_\_

- B.** The parent or legal guardian submitting this application are those having legal custody of the child. Conditions of custody, if applicable, will be fully communicated in writing to Believers Fellowship, including a photocopy of the section of any court order referring to visitation rights.

**Initial** \_\_\_\_\_

- C.** While every precaution is taken for the safety and good health of our campers, Believers Fellowship, and its personnel and leaders are hereby released from any liability and claims or demands for personal injury arising from any accidents or injuries caused by the student's participation at the Winter Retreat. I acknowledge it is my responsibility to ensure that myself and/or the minor listed above engage in all safety measures suggested or required by the CDC, local ordinances, or state laws concerning illnesses. If at any time I believe that conditions are unsafe or that the minor listed above is unable to participate due to physical or medical conditions, I will immediately discontinue their participation. I understand that despite diligent hygiene measures and compliance with the law, there is no guarantee that infectious transmission will not occur. All prescribed medication must be sent in the original prescription bottle/container (Please send sufficient supply). If the medication is not in the original bottle or the label is not legible IT WILL NOT BE ADMINISTERED. Over-the-counter medication must be in the original package and be accompanied by parent instructions. The parents / legal guardians are responsible for any additional expenses that may result from such services.

**Initial** \_\_\_\_\_

- D.** The signature of the parent/guardian on this application shall give Believers Fellowship permission to use pictures and/or videos of the student for promotional and outreach purposes.

**Initial** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Legal Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date(mm/dd/year):** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOVE GOD**

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**LOVE PEOPLE**

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**REACH THE WORLD**





## Youth Ministry Guidelines

The purpose of these guidelines is so that our youth group can be a safe place for youth in grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. These Guidelines have been developed to open each other up to God's message and to one another and provides the method to resolve an instance of non-God honoring activity.

Parents and Youth are required to sign this form and return it to church.

### Youth:

During the youth ministry meetings, events, and trips under the sponsorship and guidance of **Believers Fellowship Baptist Church**, I recognize that I am a representative of the Christian Community and I am responsible for my actions and the following Guidelines:

- Cursing, cussing, swearing, using God's name inappropriately, racial slurs/jokes/comments, and sexual comments will not be tolerated.
- Do not take your frustration out on others. Recognize that everyone in the youth group is a part of the body of Christ.
- Embrace inclusiveness by helping everyone feel welcome and important.
- There will be no rough housing including hitting, slapping, punching, pushing, and other touching actions that may harm or upset fellow youth.
- The use of the following is absolutely prohibited: tobacco, alcohol, vaping, prescriptions that are not prescribed to you, and illegal drugs.
- The youth room is not your personal dumping ground. Trash is to go in the trashcans. The youth are responsible for keeping the youth room clean. Respect the things used, property and places we visit. The areas use for all church functions, including transportation, are to be left clean.
- Phones are to be on silent and put away during lessons or when a leader is speaking. The exception is when using the Bible app for the lesson.
- No public displays of affection or inappropriate physical contact of any kind while at church functions. If you bring your boyfriend/girlfriend you are not allowed to kiss, sit on each other's laps, or behave in such a way that would make others around you uncomfortable. This detracts from our purpose as we meet together. Youth leaders will model appropriate behavior.
- Follow the rule of three. Youth and leaders should always be in an open area with at least two other people. Do not disappear into vacant rooms or hallways.
- Do not participate in the following behaviors: interruption, bullying, racism, vandalism, physical or emotional violence. Again, recognize that everyone in the youth group is a part of the body of Christ.
- Provide a trusting environment for your peers. When someone shares something personal in a group discussion, do not repeat that information to other friends outside of the group. And when a youth member or leaders ask you to please be quiet, do so right away.
- Take the initiative to inform your guests of their responsibility to follow these guidelines when they visit the youth group.
- Notify a leader immediately if there is inappropriate behavior by another youth so that the leader can help in resolution.

### Dress Code:

- Modest, non-revealing clothing must always be worn.
- Shirts:
  - Shirts must be the appropriate size, no exposed midriffs.
  - No insignia that signifies violence, alcohol, tobacco, or drugs.
  - Undergarments are not to be seen (ex: through arm holes, low hanging pants).

- **Pants/Shorts:**
  - Shorts, skirts, and dresses must be mid-thigh or below. Mid-thigh is defined as the midpoint between the hip and knee. Leggings may be worn if shorts are not long enough.
  - Leggings/yoga pants are permitted only when worn with a top that extends to the mid-thigh or below.
  - Pants and shorts must appropriately cover undergarments.
  - Holes in jeans are permitted below mid-thigh. Leggings must be worn underneath any pants with rips/holes above mid-thigh.
- **Swimming activities:**
  - Shorts or swim trunks must be worn at all times with swim wear
  - Guys: must wear a shirt at all times
  - Girls: can wear either a non-revealing one piece, tankini, or a two piece with a shirt

### **Guidelines for Consequences:**

Consequences will focus on restoring peace with reconciliation among the parties involved. The goal of resolving each problem will be growth and learning through repentance and forgiveness. Any problems encountered will be handled within the group and by the adult leaders to the extent that this is possible.

- Should a situation persist or become uncontrollable, the parent/guardian will be contacted and informed of the problem.
- Should the situation continue or be urgent, the parent/guardian will be contacted immediately and will be responsible for arranging to pick up their youth, **excluding ride sharing**.
- If the decision is made to send the youth home, the youth will not be able to attend future events until a resolution has been reached.

### **Youth and Parent/Guardian Signature:**

I understand that the above is not a comprehensive list of actions or behavior but rather an acknowledgement that participating in Believers Fellowship's Youth Group requires a commitment to try to model God's love and respect for self and others.

I have read and understood the guidelines. I have looked over each rule carefully with my parent/guardian. We understand the guidelines and their subsequent consequences. I understand that these guidelines are set forth to make sure that the youth ministry times are fun and comfortable for everyone, including myself.

Youth Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_