

FOLLOW UP

Priority 1 = Someone who accepted Christ for the first time, or someone who isn't ready to follow Jesus but is interested in learning more about having a relationship with God or checking out a church.

- **Perspective:** This is the number one priority for a reason! These are people who were not Christians and either started to follow Jesus or are interested in learning more about following Jesus! They will most likely have very little exposure to Jesus and you definitely have to be careful to not talk in “Christianeze”, which means not assuming they know a lot about the Bible, Jesus, stories/characters in the Bible, or words like “sanctification”.
- **Action Steps:**
 - Make sure they are followed up with first
 - Assign them to a leader right away
 - *If they said they accepted Christ for the first time...
 - Confirm that they did
 - Someone might have put that on their card to be silly
 - Someone might have already been a Christian and really actually recommitted their life to Christ
 - Someone might have grown up in the church but never really made a decision before to commit their life to Jesus
 - Celebrate with them their decision! Ask why they made that decision and what it means to them!
 - Try to schedule a time to meet with them in person, consider bringing your youth pastor with.
 - Focus on Jesus
 - Ask if they would like to meet up to talk more about who Jesus is and what the gospel is (remember the 4 points of the gospel from the booklet!)
 - Also talk about how to grow closer to Him, like spending time with Him, reading the Bible (make sure they have a Bible!), prayer, going to church, having friendships with solid Jesus followers, getting an older Christian mentor, etc.
 - Invite them to church, figure out if they need a ride, and make sure to give your youth pastor and maybe another youth leader a heads up that they are coming so they can intentionally meet them at church.
 - Continually update the column “Notes on Follow Up” in the Master Plan spreadsheet!
 - Keep following up with them!

Priority 2 = Someone who re-committed their life to Christ.

- **Perspective:** This is awesome!
- **Action Steps:**
 - Make sure they are followed up with second
 - Assign them to a leader right away
 - *Confirm their re-commitment
 - Someone might have put that on their card to be silly, if they did update the spreadsheet.
 - Celebrate with them their decision! Ask why they made that decision and what it means to them!
 - Focus on Jesus
 - Ask if they would like to meet up to talk more about who Jesus is and what the gospel is (remember the 4 points of the gospel from the booklet!)
 - Also talk about how to grow closer to Him, like spending time with Him, reading the Bible (make sure they have a Bible!), prayer, going to church, having

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- friendships with solid Jesus followers, getting an older Christian mentor, etc.
- Ask if they go to church...
 - If they go to a good solid Christian church with a good youth group, then encourage them to tell the youth pastor or another youth leader about their re-commitment. If their parents are Christians, encourage them to share about their re-commitment with them also :)
 - If they don't have a good church, invite them to your church, figure out if they need a ride, and make sure to give your youth pastor and maybe another youth leader a heads up that they are coming so they can intentionally meet them at church.
- Continually update the column "Notes on Follow Up" in the Master Plan spreadsheet!
- Keep following up with them!

Priority 3 = Someone who is not interested in being followed up with (could be a Christian or non-Christian), or someone who didn't write anything on their contact card.

- **Perspective:** It is great that people came to your events, no matter how they responded! Although it is not necessary to follow up with these people, you might just want to.
- **Action Steps:**
 - Assign one person to send them all one text each. If you're going to do this, it should be done within 2 weeks of the outreach happening.
 - The text could be something simple like, "Hey! Just wanted to say thank you for coming to the Bible club events last week. Please know that you are always welcome to our club meetings on Mondays at lunch in Mrs. Kirkendall's room #. Also, feel free to reach out anytime if you would want to talk more about Jesus, would like to have something prayed for, or anything else! Hope you have a great day!"

FOR LATER ON...

Priority 4 = Someone who is already a Christian and is interested (or maybe interested) in learning more about having a relationship with God or checking out a church.

- **Perspective:** This is super great, but you don't necessarily have to follow up with them right away, they can wait 2-3 weeks. Don't get bogged down following up with these people at the expense of doing a really good job following up with the people who are priority 1 and 2.
- **Action Steps:**
 - Make sure they are followed up with and assigned to a leader AFTER the people who are priority 1 and 2
 - Thank them for coming to the events
 - If they wanted to check out a youth group, invite them to your youth group (or find out where they live to make sure your church is close enough to them). Figure out if they need a ride, and make sure to give your youth pastor and maybe another youth leader a heads up that they are coming so they can intentionally meet them at church.
 - If they want to learn more about their relationship with God, ask them what they would like to learn. If they don't know what they'd like to learn, ask if they'd want to meet up to talk more about Jesus (see above notes "Focus on Jesus")
 - Update the column "Notes on Follow Up" in the Master Plan spreadsheet!
 - Follow up with them as needed.