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What is the goal?

To help Christ-followers at Coral Hill evaluate their personal commitment to the task of disciple-making, which by definition includes:

- Becoming more like Jesus as His disciple
- Sharing the Gospel intentionally with others
- Investing in the discipleship process of others
- Being accountable to other Christ-followers in our local church
- Loving one another as a faithful member of the Lord's church at Coral Hill

In addition, this initiative will serve as a practical guide towards greater faithfulness in the task of disciple-making.

Why disciple-making?

Being a disciple of Jesus always involves making other disciples. In fact, Jesus himself said that making disciples is what proves we are His disciples. *"By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples." John 15:8 ESV*

Who should be disciple-makers?

Every follower of Jesus is commanded to make disciples. *"And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'" Matthew 28:18-20 ESV*

How do I join [dmi]?

1. Students must apply online at coralhillbaptist.com/dmi. The application season will last from June 12th - July 31st. *Please be aware that the application itself is quite involved. You will need to give yourself adequate time to complete the application so that you don't miss the deadline. Following submission of your application, the student will be contacted to setup either a one on one interview or a zoom interview with a student ministry adult.*
2. All students who have previously served on the [dmi] team will have their interview conducted by the Student Minister and possibly with another mentor. The Student Minister works with the [dmi] team more than any other mentor so by conducting their interviews, it will allow for a more thorough reflection of the previous year's commitment.

3. Following the interview, the mentor body will make a decision regarding each application. There will be a formal gathering in August to sign covenants and begin the commitment together. You will be notified of the date of this gathering.

Our [dmi] students will learn that healthy disciples seek to have four active relationships in their life:

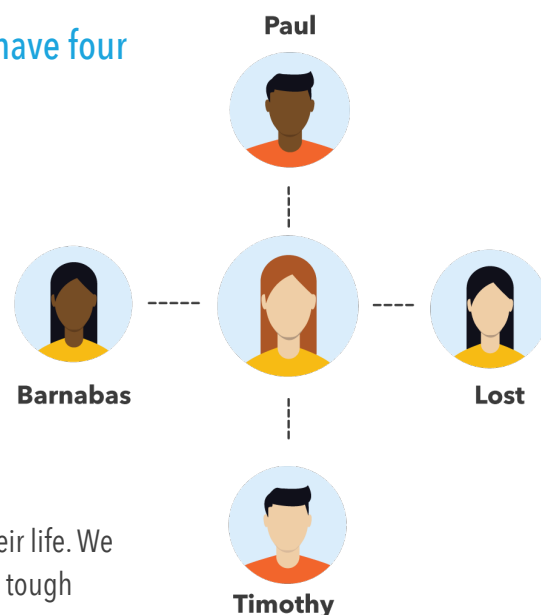
Paul: Every follower of Jesus, regardless of age, needs a Paul in their life. They need to be poured into, given wisdom and direction from someone seasoned in the faith.

Timothy: Every follower of Jesus, regardless of age, needs a Timothy in their life. We must intentionally identify people we can disciple one on one.

Barnabas: Every follower of Jesus, regardless of age, needs a Barnabas in their life. We need people that are sources of accountability for us, people who will ask the tough questions in love.

Lost People: Every follower of Jesus, regardless of age, needs to have friendships with lost people in their life. An essential part of the expansion of the kingdom is that lost people hear the good news of Jesus.

The above model is adapted from Chuck Lawless: Dean of doctoral studies at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary



Are there any pre-requisites to being part of [dmi] ?

- Must have fully identified with CHBC as a local body of believers through church membership*
- Must be in high school (9th-12th grade)

***Interested middle school students (7th-8th grade) will have the opportunity to be part of the [dmi] process by being partnered with a high school [dmi] student for the purpose of being invested in. (as a Timothy)*

- Must submit a written personal testimony of an authentic salvation experience. (will fulfill in the application process)

- Each student leader establishes their commitment through signing a covenant each school year that lasts from August until the end of July.

** Students who currently are members of other congregations can qualify for the team. See Student Minister for more details*

What are the expectations of a [dmi] student?

[dmi] expectations are broken down into four main commitments:

1. Commit to God's Word.
2. Commit to sharing the Gospel.
3. Commit to Disciple-Making.
4. Commit to your local church.

Below you will find details that will outline what each commitment will involve...

1. Commit to God's Word.

- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to God's Word by choosing one of three reading plan options during their own daily personal devotion time. Each of these plans are meant to last the duration of their [dmi] commitment
 - The entirety of the Old Testament
 - The entirety of the New Testament
 - The entirety of God's Word

2. Commit to sharing the Gospel.

- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to sharing the Gospel by develop a running list of at least three lost people whom you can serve and share with in hopes of leading them to faith and helping to baptize. Individuals on this list could include friends, family, acquaintances, co-workers.

3. Commit to Disciple Making.

- **NEW:** Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to disciple-making by having accountability relationships with a group of 3 other people (4 people total). 2 adults that serve as Paul like figures in their life, and one additional dmi student that serves as a Barnabas type figure in their life. Unlike in years past where you are encouraged to meet face to face at least once a month with one adult, you will now meet at least one time a month face to face with your group of two adults and two dmi students.

- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to disciple-making by using Coral Hill's "Disciple Making" booklet to partner with a "Timothy" [a believer in the ministry and outside of the ministry for the purpose of studying God's Word together] Options include:
 - Fall Semester: Work through a book of the Bible with a believer in the student ministry
 - Spring Semester: Work through a book of the Bible with a believer outside the student ministry

4. Commit to your local church.

- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to their local church by participating in weekly Sunday morning worship. Students are expected to be in weekly worship unless providentially hindered.
- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to their local church by taking an active role in their small group. Students will be expected to be part of and engage in their small group every week unless providentially hindered.
- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to their local church by taking an active role in Wednesday Night Worship. Students will be expected to see Wednesday night worship as a means to minister and invest in others rather than a time of personal fulfillment. Students will be expected to be there weekly unless providentially hindered.
- Our [dmi] students will exercise their commitment to their local church by investing and serving in a ministry at Coral Hill outside of the Student Ministry.

Final Thoughts:

Our student ministry and church takes disciple-making and commitments seriously. For students applying for [dmi] we ask that you understand and agree to the following before you apply:

- This commitment must be something God is calling you to invest in. Since this commitment is for a year (August-July) students must understand that their mentor (Paul) will be a source of accountability for them and will meet with them monthly to help them develop spiritually as well as fulfill each area of the [dmi] commitment.
- This commitment must be a high priority in the daily lives of [dmi] students. Students need to evaluate their schedules and ask the question, "Can I realistically keep this commitment with my current schedule?" If the answer is no, then students need to either adjust their schedule or choose not to apply for [dmi] this year. |
- **NEW:** This year students are required to participate in monthly meetings with the dmi student team. They will meet each month on the last Sunday of the month at 6pm. During their gathering, the student minister will walk through each of the four areas of their commitment in order to encourage, hold accountable and further equip students