

Student Ministry Handbook

2019-2020

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Greetings!

Let me be the first to welcome you and your student(s) to the "World Tour" Student Ministry here at First Baptist Church Bangs. I am excited to have your student(s) involved in the activities of the ministry. I am also excited to see how the LORD will use your student(s) to advance the Kingdom.

Our theme is *World Tour*. It is a missional focus. I based our theme on Acts 4:20 which says, *"for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard."* We are intentionally building individuals and a group that will not be afraid or intimidated to share the Gospel.

Everything we do in the student ministry will focus on being a missional people with a missional world view.

Again, welcome to the ministry! I look forward to serving alongside you. If you need anything, please let me know.

All for the Kingdom

Seth

Seth Pitman Associate Pastor/Youth Minister First Baptist Church Bangs

Student Ministry Team

Ministry must have a team mindset. No one can do ministry alone for very long. FBCB World Tour Student Ministry has a wonderful team. We welcome parent involvement and you are welcome to any Student Ministry Team meeting.

Gregg Cassady

Small Group Leader

Clint Dodson

Small Group Leader

Landon James

Small Group Leader/ Summer Intern

Brandon Mair

Small Group Leader

Amy Pitman

Small Group Leader when needed

Jordan Pitman

Audio Visual/Small Group Leader/Sunday School

Seth Pitman

Student Pastor/Sunday School

Kesi Prescott

Worship/Small Group Leader

Ronnie Purcell

Sunday School/Small Group Leader

Student Ministry "Terms"

Parents, we want you to be informed. To help with that, below is a list of common terms you may hear your student(s) say or ask to attend.

"MFUGE"- This is the summer youth camp we will be attending in June 2020.

"Super Summer"- Super Summer is a camp in June that is different than the normal "youth camp." It is designed to help students who want to increase in their knowledge of the Gospel and their ability to share it with others.

"DNow"- *Disciple Now Weekend*. DNow is a weekend event that breaks students up into small groups. They focus on a topic or theme over the course of the weekend. Typically, the weekend is high-energy with a speaker and worship band. There is also a mission project on Saturday.

"SYATP" – *See You at the Pole*. National student led prayer time at local schools. Meet around the flagpole for worship and prayer. Along with See You at the Pole, there is a rally at a local church called "Saw You at the Pole."

"Fields of Faith" – National FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) event located at Gordon Wood Stadium and other football fields across the nation.

"Passport Weekend" – This is our orientation event for incoming 7th Graders. We intentionally involve the new 7th graders in a fun event with the whole youth group on the Saturday before they promote up into the Youth Group (Promotion Sunday). This weekend is the weekend before school starts. This is an annual event. *We call it "Passport" Weekend because of our theme World Tour. One must have a "passport" before they can travel around the world.*

Looking Ahead

Fall 2019—Summer 2020

September 2019

- 9/4 & 9/8—Parent Meetings
- 9/15—YMT Meeting
- 9/20-22—DNow Weekend
- 9/25—SYATP (See You At The Pole)

October 2019

- 10/5—Church Workday
- 10/9—Fields of Faith (Gordon Wood Stadium)
- 10/20—YMT Meeting
- 10/31—Trunk or Treat from 5:30PM-7PM

November 2019

- 11/20—Thanksgiving Meal/Praise Service
- 11/17—YMT Meeting
- 11/27—NO ACTIVITIES (Thanksgiving Holiday)

December 2019

- 12/4—Hanging of the Green
- 12/7—Church Workday
- 12/8—Mainstreet Bethlehem, Burnet, TX 6-9pm

	•	12/11—Church-Wide Christmas meal / Caroling
	•	12/18—NO ACTIVITIES
	•	12/24—Candlelight Service
January 2020		
	•	1/11—Church Workday
	•	1/19—YMT Meeting
February 2020		
	٠	2/16—YMT Meeting
March 2020		
	•	3/7—Church Workday
	•	3/9-13—Spring Break
	•	3/22—YMT Meeting
April 2020		
	•	4/12—Easter
May 2020		
	•	5/2—MayFest / Church Workday @ Mayfest
	•	5/17—Senior Sunday, Banquet, and Baccalaureate
	•	5/17—YMT Meeting
	•	5/22—Bangs ISD Graduation

June 2020

- 6/12-15—PreTeen Camp, HOTBE
- 6/11-15—MFUGE (Youth Camp) @ Glorieta, NM
- 6/22-26—Super Summer @ HPU
- 6/29-7/1—VBS @ FBC Bangs

July 2020

• 7/21-28—Mission Trip to Seattle, WA* (* Details are still being worked out. An Informational meeting will be scheduled for some time in September 2019)

August 2020

- 8/15—Passport Weekend
- 8/16—Prayer Walk the BISD Campuses
- 8/17—First Day of School

First Baptist Church Bangs World Tour Student Ministry

Conduct Covenant

As always, we want you to have a blast every time we meet or go somewhere as a group, however, we must lay down some basic guidelines.

- 1. All students will attend small groups, sessions, and worship unless excused by the Student Pastor or a Leader.
- 2. Students will eat with the group unless arrangements have been made with the Student Pastor or a Leader while on church events.
- 3. Students will stay in the presence of a Leader unless given permission otherwise.
- 4. If a student is not feeling well, hurt, or needs medical attention then he/she needs to find a Leader IMMEDIATELY so that we may take proper action.
- 5. NO DRUGS, ALCOHOL, FIREARMS, FIREWORKS, OR WEAPONS OF ANY TYPE will be allowed to be in the student's possession at any time during the trip/event. (This includes pocket knives)
- 6. Electronics: CELL PHONES, may be brought, however, they need to be off or on silent and put away for the duration of the session, small group, or worship service unless instructed to bring them out by the event or leader. You do not need to text or call someone while in the event. If a Leader sees them out they will be taken up until the event /camp is over. (You should be listening to the service.)
- 7. Students must obey the rules of hotels, camp ground, event and those given by a Leader.

- 8. NO foul language or gestures will be tolerated.
- 9. Students will abide by the set curfew and/or hours of operation established by the event, camp, or Student Ministry of FBC Bangs.
- 10. Severe discipline problems will result in the student being sent home at the **PARENTS EXPNESE**.
- 11. No PDA. This is a time for you to get closer to God, not to your boyfriend/girlfriend. This rule also includes displays of affection between those of the same genders as well.
- 12. Students will always respect the leaders and their peers. This includes church property and vehicles. Remember to clean up after yourself.
- 13. In short, **we want you to have fun** while you are with us, but we also expect certain behaviors that provide an environment for learning, fellowship, and love. We will do our part to show the love of Christ in our actions as to provide an example to you.

We, FBC Bangs, want your student to have the best time while they are under our care. Please reinforce these requests to your student. While we understand that not every student is a Christian and may not know how to behave in the manor described above, we will do our part to show God's grace while maintaining discipline and safety.

Registering Your Student

As you can see, there are a lot of events and outings that are planned for the ministry this year. Below is the ministry expectation when signing your student up for an event.

For "Big Ticket" Events

- 1. Students or parents must pick up the "Camp/Activity Registration Form" for activities such as camp, DNow, Super Summer, etc.
- 2. Fill out the form and return it with the appropriate deposit, if required.
- 3. Once the form is returned, your student's name will be added to the roster for that event.

For other Events

- 1. Students. Talk to your parents! Make sure the event does not conflict with anything.
- 2. Sign your name to the sign-up list in the youth room or on Google Forms. Pay the appropriate fee, if any.
- 3. It will then be assumption that the student will be attending the event/outing unless a family emergency keeps them from attending

<u>NOTE</u>: It is very important that parents and student communicate with each other. Some events require the ministry to purchase tickets ahead of time to get a better rate. The student will be held accountable for the fee, price of the event, or camp fee unless the reason for not attending is a family emergency.

Workday/Fundraiser Policy

FBCB World Tour Student Ministry understands that events can get quite expensive. We want to help parents and students be able to attend these events.

FBC Bangs will contribute \$100 toward the camp fee, Supper Summer fee, etc. However, to receive these gifts, the student will be required to:

1. Attend at least 3 workdays at the church.

- a. All workdays for this year are scheduled and posted under the "Looking Ahead" portion of the Student Handbook.
- b. Workdays are from 8AM-12Noon unless otherwise notified.
- c. Breakfast will be provided
- d. Students will help complete projects around the church grounds and /or in the community.

2. Be an active participant in the FBC Bangs World Tour Ministry.

- a. "Active" is defined as those who regularly attend any combination of Sunday and Wednesday service times.
- b. While we do not want to create a spirit of legalism, we do however, want to create an environment of participation within the ministry and youth group.

If a fundraiser is needed to help with events, then:

- 1. Only those students who participated in that fundraiser will receive the money earned/raised.
- 2. Money earned/raised will be split between the participants out the profits.

Contact & Social Media

World Tour Student Ministry is on social media! Below are ways you can keep up with what's going on in the ministry.

CONTACT INFO FOR SETH PITMAN

- Cell: 325-998-3657
- Office: 325-752-6724
- <u>seth@fbcbangs.com</u>
- Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/seth.pitman.33</u>
- **Twitter**: @seth_pitman
- **Instagram**: sethpitman

CONTACT INFO FOR THE MINISTRY

• **Remind** for Students and Parents: text "@fbcbteens" to 81010 and you will be added to our Student Ministry student group text.

(You do NOT need to download this app if you choose not to, however, the responding ability may be limited.)

- **Facebook**: @worldtourstudentministry
- **Instagram**: fbcbangs_studentministry

If you would like to receive a monthly Student Ministry Newsletter, please email me at the above address and put "Newsletter" in the subject.

Receipt of Handbook

I, the undersigned, acknowledge receipt of the FBC Bangs World Tour Student Ministry Handbook. I understand that changes made to this handbook will be made available to me by the FBC Bangs World Tour Student Ministry. I agree with its contents and will support the Ministry in any way I can.

Parent Signature	Date:
Parent Printed Name	
Student Signature	Date:
Student Printed Name	