National Capital Congress of Christian Education 2019 Annual Congress

School for Teen Ministry

*Childhood Evangelism (Ages 5-12) Teachers: Elder Jacqueline and Sis. McNair

High School (Ages 13-17) Teacher: Dainnese Barksdale (Substitute Teacher Needed Thursday Night)

Young Adults (ages 18-23) Teacher: TBD

Theme: "Reaching a Generation: Disciples for Today's Youth (Ages 13-17)"

Teacher: Dainnese Barksdale Assistant Teacher: TBD

<u>Purpose:</u> In consideration of how pop culture and social media dominate the lives of millennials, today's teens need a deeper understanding of God's word and will for their lives. This year's will serve to give life application and practical approach to help teens fulfill the mandate of God and to know His will for their lives.

Monday: Introduction

Tuesday – "What's on your mind?"

Objective: Bringing to the forefront internalized struggles and concerns that lay on the hearts of youth. To teach teens how God uses the internal to bring about external change, to youth that change can begin with them when they have a renewed mind.

Wednesday - "What's Holding You Back?"

Objective: Discuss external influences that impact teens' ability to excel in their purpose and how to remain motivated and empowered in spite of those obstacles. This class will also teach about vision and spiritual goals.

Thursday – "What's New?"

Objective: Talk about current events and trends, and what the Christian stance should be versus what society says about it. There is a need for guidance among teens for how to process current events and how scripture answers these concerns.

Friday – Closeout: "What's going to happen now?"

Objective: Group discussion with teens on what they can do at their church and who they reach out to, in order to "grow" forward in Christ.

Theme: "Growing Up Christian: Challenges of 'Adulting' in the 21st Century (Ages 18-23)"

<u>Purpose</u>: As young adults transition into adulthood, there are many challenges and independent decisions that they face. Coming into a new level of freedom that they've never experienced before, we will discuss how to keep it 'holy' while adulating, also address issues that keep young adults from returning to the church.

Monday: Introduction

^{*}Prepared Agenda not addressed below*

Tuesday – "Where have you been?"

Objective: Addressing assumptions about young adults and what happens once they reach the age of maturity and begin making independent decisions. This lesson will guide young adults to the biblical teaching that will help enhance their lives and the 'adulting' experience. It's a time to draw closer, not further from Christ.

Wednesday - "Where's God in all this?"

Objective: Discuss God's plan vs. 'Our' plan. With the emergency of interfaith and alternative faith ideology, it's important to know that God is not dead, He's still alive and desires you to follow the path and purpose that He's set for YOU.

Thursday - "Where can I fit in?"

Objective: Altruism is at the forefront of the minds of young adults in the current generation, however there is guidance needed to show how that virtue is a Christian principle that should fuel their personal ministry to others. Bring altruistic is presented through secular and other 'spiritual' means, it's important to understand biblical and Christian theology regarding these matters.

Friday - Closeout: "Where Do We Go From Here?"

Objective: Roundtable discussion amongst young adults on the effective ways to reach other young adults and steps to "grow" forward in their personal lives.