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WHO WE ARE & HOW WE DO THIS

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WE'RE ON THE SAME TEAM

At Current Students, we believe your home is the most important place for the spiritual growth of your child. Our team knows from experience how hard it is to keep our households and our kids on the right track in today's world. We're here to come alongside you in that mission. We strive to partner with parents to help students own their faith and follow Jesus in a real and lasting way.

We rely on **you** to be the primary voice of Christian discipleship in your child's life. We can never be a replacement for that. That's why we're not working separately, we're working together. We have different roles, but we share the same goal: ***leading your child toward a lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ.***





IN THE LOOP

We commit to keep you informed about what's happening in Current Students. We want you to be included and in the loop. After all, we ARE a team. We do this by having a regular rhythm of communication and updates.

Who our kids learn from is important. We do not take this privilege and responsibility lightly. We want parents to have access to information and to us as a team. Please know we are always available to you.

If you have questions about anything we do or if you just want to learn more:



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And, of course, you can check out the
Current Students page on the church
website: currentchristian.org.



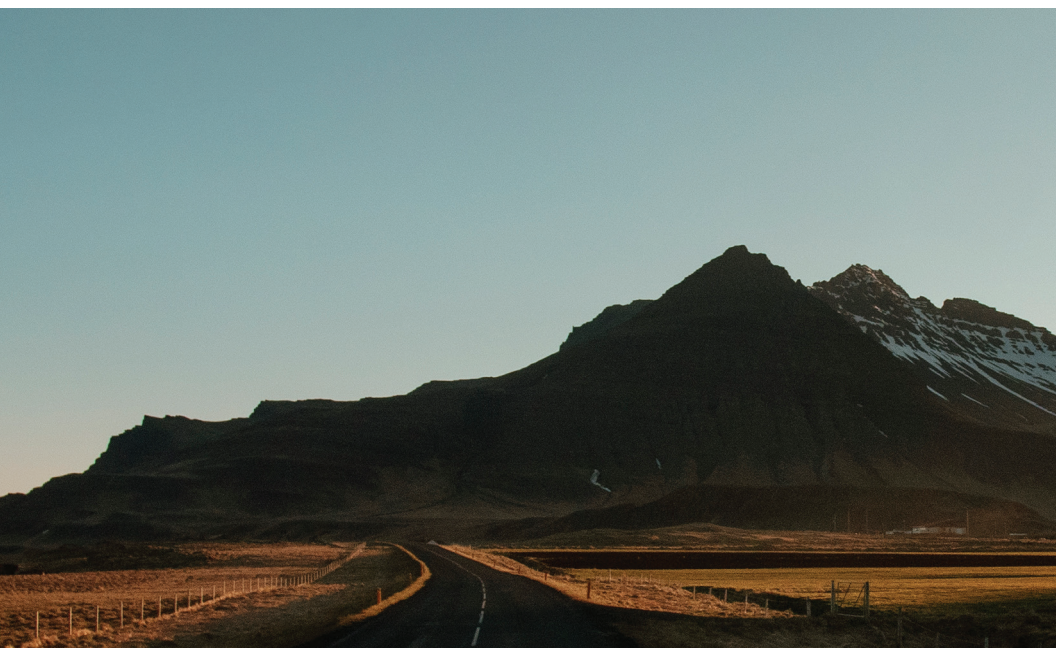
WHO WE ARE: OUR LEADERSHIP

Like all church staff, the Current Students staff team is under the authority of the Elders of Current - A Christian Church and Pastor Darren.

The Student team is certainly devoted to ministering and discipling our young people, and they are equally devoted to the mission and vision of church leadership.

All of the people your child will learn from in Current Students—whether staff or volunteers—are confirmed to be in agreement with the doctrinal beliefs of the church-at-large. All formally agree with and support the church's overall mission and our statements of faith.

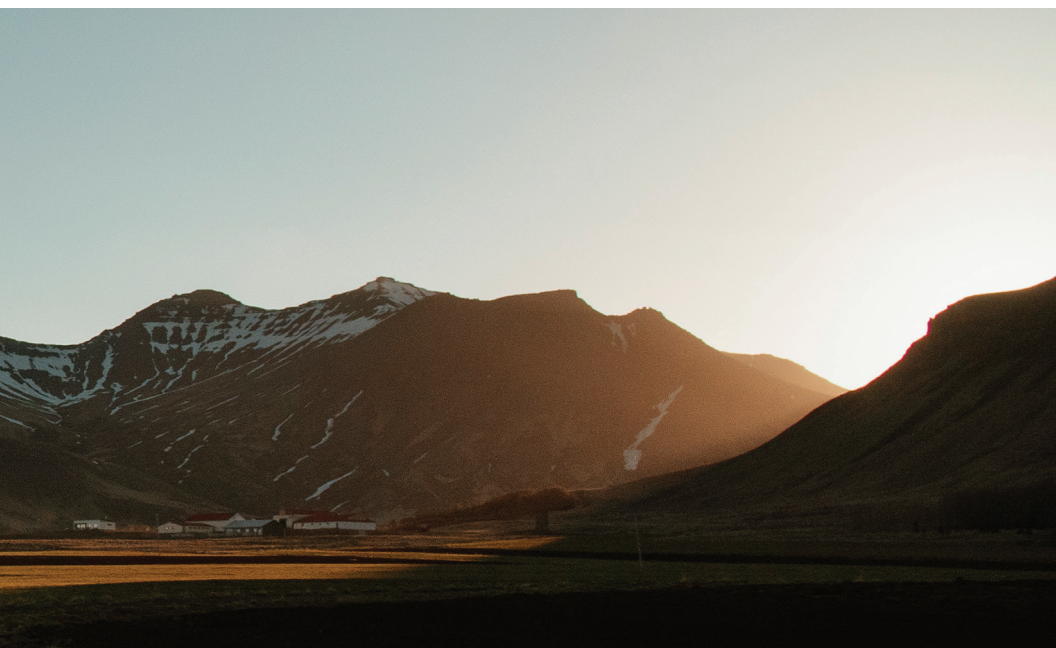
As a parent, you can be confident that your child will experience teaching built on the same foundation as the rest of the church body at Current: Biblical values, Biblical worldview, and Biblical theology!



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WHAT WE DO: OUR MISSION

Everything we do, from weekly programming, special events, and service projects, to individual student discipleship, flows from this mission. We want your child to know that a life of following Jesus is the most purposeful, rewarding, and powerful existence they can live.



HOW WE DO THIS: OUR CORE VALUES

We build our ministry on five key values that guide our approach to leading students.



Identity – The Label You Accept

Our true identity is found in Jesus. We are not defined by our mistakes, our image, or what others say about us. We hold fast to the label He gives us, avoiding the traps of feeling like we're not enough. We embrace the truth that we are fully known, deeply loved, and chosen by God.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 | *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"*

GALATIANS 2:20 | *"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me"*

1 JOHN 3:1 | *"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"*



Compass – The Direction You Follow

We are guided and directed by Christ, not culture. We work hard to study, grasp, and apply Scripture. We stand firm on the truth of the Bible. We hold on to what's right, call out what's false, and respond with both truth and love. We are examiners and critics of popular culture, not mere consumers of it.

PSALM 119:105 | *"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."*

ROMANS 12:2 | *"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."*

1 CORINTHIANS 2:12 | *"What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us."*

COLOSSIANS 2:8 | *"See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ."*



Path – The Choices You Make

Our choices determine the course of our lives. Living for Jesus means picking a path that honors Him, especially when it's difficult. It's not about being perfect or being legalistic. It's about trusting His promises and believing His way is what's best for us. This empowers us to live with integrity, obedience, and purity in every part of life—at school, online, with friends, and at home.

PROVERBS 4:18 | *“The way of the righteous is like the morning sun, shining ever brighter till the full light of day.”*

PSALM 119:9 | *“How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word.”*

PSALM 34:15 | *“The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry”*



Tribe – The People You Pick

Our friends shape our future. The people we walk with will either pull us closer to Jesus or farther away. We must choose a tribe that builds our faith, shares our values, and steps up when life gets tough or messy. Here, we don't need to pretend to have it all figured out or be some kind of insider. We only need to be what God made us to be.

PROVERBS 13:20 | *“Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.”*

JOHN 15:12-13 | *“My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.”*

PROVERBS 27:17 | *“As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.”*

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 | *“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”*





Footprint – The Mark You Leave

Our lives leave a mark on the world. We only get one life, so we need to make it count. To rise to the occasion, we must act with boldness, compassion, and purpose. We make an impact through evangelism and service in our homes, our church, our community, and beyond. We're not waiting to make a difference someday, we're doing it now, leaving a mark that points people to Jesus.

JAMES 2:14 | *"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds."*

1 PETER 3:15 | *"Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."*

MATTHEW 5:16 | *"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."*

COLOSSIANS 3:23 | *"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters."*



OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Our goal is to provide spiritual growth opportunities that build the foundation of Christian discipleship in your child. Here's how that takes shape at Current Students.

Sundays

THE ASCENT

Junior High - 9:30A | High School - 11:00A

The Ascent is a Sunday Bible Study that is specifically geared toward Junior High and High School Students at their respective times. The Current Students team leads an interactive examination of God's Word in an open group format. This isn't the typical school lecture, but a creative presentation of Biblical truth along with interactive discussion.

Mid-Week

BASECAMP

Wednesdays - 6:30 PM - When School is In-Session

Basecamp is a time for students to participate in peer-led worship, receive Biblical life-application teaching from staff and adult leaders, and spend some time in a small-group atmosphere where the lesson really comes alive. And, there's never any shortage of fun and excitement on Wednesday nights!

Communion

In keeping with our church's overall practices, we do not have a formal set of requirements for communion. Most families have their child begin taking communion after baptism. Again, we encourage you to keep this an open conversation in your home. Generally speaking, it's our belief that communion is for the baptized believer.

Since we strongly encourage families to attend the 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. service together, we operate under the assumption that students are taking communion with you in church. We believe that this is the most reverent and best environment for us to partake in the Lord's Supper.

However, for those students who wish to participate in communion who are not attending the worship service on Sunday morning, communion will be available in The Summit. Comment end

Baptism

Like Communion, we do not have a formal set of requirements for baptism. We encourage you to keep this an open conversation with your child. We believe that you are the best person to decide when they are ready.

When a student is ready to become a Christian, our leadership team will be happy to have conversations with your child regarding the weight of the decision and the details of what the Bible teaches about baptism. The Bible prescribes a sense of urgency when a person is ready for baptism—but not a sense of emergency. Parents are always included in this process.

Special Events

Your student can look forward to several special events throughout the year. Many of them take place during Basecamp on Wednesday nights. Our goal is to make available a variety of experiences ranging from just plain fun to meaningful service-related events. We share a calendar each semester with all the details.



BEING A TWO-HOUR FAMILY

It is our strong encouragement that your family commits to both service hours (9:30 & 11:00 a.m.) each Sunday morning. At the core of this sentiment lies our belief that once youth reach student ministry ages, it is best for them to attend the main church service with their family. In other words, Current Students ministry opportunities are not intended to take the place of the church body coming together on Sundays.

We believe families should worship together, pray together, take communion together, and be under the same preaching together. The benefits of this are numerous.

Statistical research shows that students who are part of the overall church, participating in adult worship services, rather than just attending ministries specific to their age group, are significantly more likely to continue an intentional faith into their young adult years and beyond.

We might also make a mistake in thinking that Junior High and High School students cannot understand the message in main service. This is surely just that, a mistake.

We often underestimate the strength of our kids' spiritual grasp. The Holy Spirit moves in the hearts of all believers during congregational worship—all hearts, the young and not-so-young!

Many two-hour families attend one service together. Then, when their kids go to their respective student environments, the parents serve for an hour in a ministry of their choosing. There are so many ways to get involved.



WE COMMIT TO SAFETY

We take the safety of your child seriously. We go to great lengths to provide an environment that is safe, stable, and healthy. Here are some of the ways we go about this.

Check-in System

All students participating in any church activity must be checked-in. All staff and volunteers must also be checked in and wear proper identification when serving with Current Students.

Adult Leader Requirements

All of our adult leaders and volunteers are vetted and background checked. They receive thorough on-boarding instruction as well as ongoing quarterly training. All adults complete child abuse awareness and prevention seminars before being allowed to serve.

All are made aware of our extensive, detailed policies on acceptable ways of ministering to youth which include: digital communication and social media etiquette, appropriate physical touch, off-campus interactions, transportation ethics, supervision, and much more. All of these policies can be made available to you upon request.

Illness and Injury

Serious injuries involving broken bones, fainting, unconsciousness, convulsions, or other serious bodily injury will be treated by the emergency medical team on campus or 911. Current Staff and volunteers are NOT authorized to dispense any over-the-counter or prescription medications.

Please keep your child home if they exhibit any of the following:

- Fever
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea
- Any obvious disease symptoms
- Sore throat, frequent cough
- Head lice
- Any skin or eye infection



Bullying

Bullying is more than just teasing or conflict. It is intentional, repeated behavior that causes physical, emotional, or social harm. It often includes a power imbalance and may be verbal, social, physical, or digital. Bullying is often disguised in jest.



If bullying is witnessed or reported at Current Students, we will take appropriate action. Our goal is to bring about grace-filled accountability and resolution followed by firm boundaries that maximize a safe and welcoming environment for all students.

Again, parents and the ministry staff are on the same team. Please keep us informed if you have concerns that your child is involved in any type of bullying. And likewise, we will keep you informed.

Suicide / Self-Harm

If a student expresses credible intent to harm themselves, it will be treated as an emergency. Our staff and volunteers are trained to respond in a way that is commensurate with the level of threat presented. Parents will always be made aware of credible self-harm threats or self-harm incidents that involve their child.

Mandatory Reporting

At Current – A Christian Church, the safety and well-being of every student in our ministry are our highest priority. We want to be completely transparent with you, the parent, about the procedures we have in place should we ever suspect child abuse.

Please know that everyone is legally required to report suspected child abuse under Texas law. This means that if any person believes a child is the victim of neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse, or emotional abuse they are mandated to take the following steps:

- **Immediate Reporting:** The person must report their suspicions directly to: DFPS Texas Abuse Hotline at 1-800-252-5400. Then, to the Lead Minister overseeing that area.
- **No Interviews:** Volunteers are strictly prohibited from questioning the child about the suspected abuse. This is crucial because asking direct questions could unintentionally influence a child's statements.
- **Strict Confidentiality:** To protect the child and the integrity of any potential investigation, volunteers are not allowed to discuss suspected abuse with other volunteers, parents, or anyone else. All information will be kept confidential and shared only with the appropriate ministry leader and the proper authorities.
- **Documentation:** A volunteer may be asked to complete a Suspected Child Abuse Report form. We assure you that confidentiality will be maintained as much as possible throughout this process, and the form will be submitted to their ministry leader .

We share this information with you so you understand our commitment to creating a safe and secure environment for all children. Our policies are designed to ensure that any concerns are handled with the utmost care, professionalism, and in accordance with state laws.

Security

As a church, we make every effort possible to provide on-site security by uniformed police officers and/or trained security volunteers at all events.

Regular student programming and special events are no exception to this.

In the event of an emergency evacuation, students will be dismissed from the Summit into the grassy area near the south parking lot. If evacuation is not possible (in the event of an intruder / active shooter), trained volunteers will direct students to find a protected place to hide until law enforcement arrives on the scene.

Severe Weather

In the event of any weather warnings, such as severe thunderstorm or tornado warnings, leaders will move all children and volunteers into the Summit Auditorium. Everyone will remain in the Large Group room until the threat has passed.



CHRISTLIKE CONDUCT

We are committed to creating a Christ-centered environment where every student is safe, respected, and equipped to grow in their faith.

To help protect that culture, we want to explain what we expect from all students during church events. Since we're a team, we want you to be aware of what we're asking from your child and what you can expect from us in return.

Be Present & Participate

We ask that students show up with a good attitude and a willingness to engage. This means respecting group times like worship, teaching, and small groups.

Be Respectful

All students must respect leaders, other students, and the space we use. We maintain a relaxed, collaborative environment but we expect that students will follow instructions and be mindful of leaders.

Speak Life

No bullying, teasing, name-calling, or gossip. Encourage one another and use language that reflects Christ. We want Current Students to be a place where outsiders feel like insiders, so we love to see students reach out to newcomers and those who might feel left out. We discourage cliques, exclusion, or behavior that causes division.

Technology Use

By default, we do not attempt to limit or control the use of electronic devices at Current Students events. Device use is permitted unless it becomes an impediment to the user or to others.

Coaching and Correction

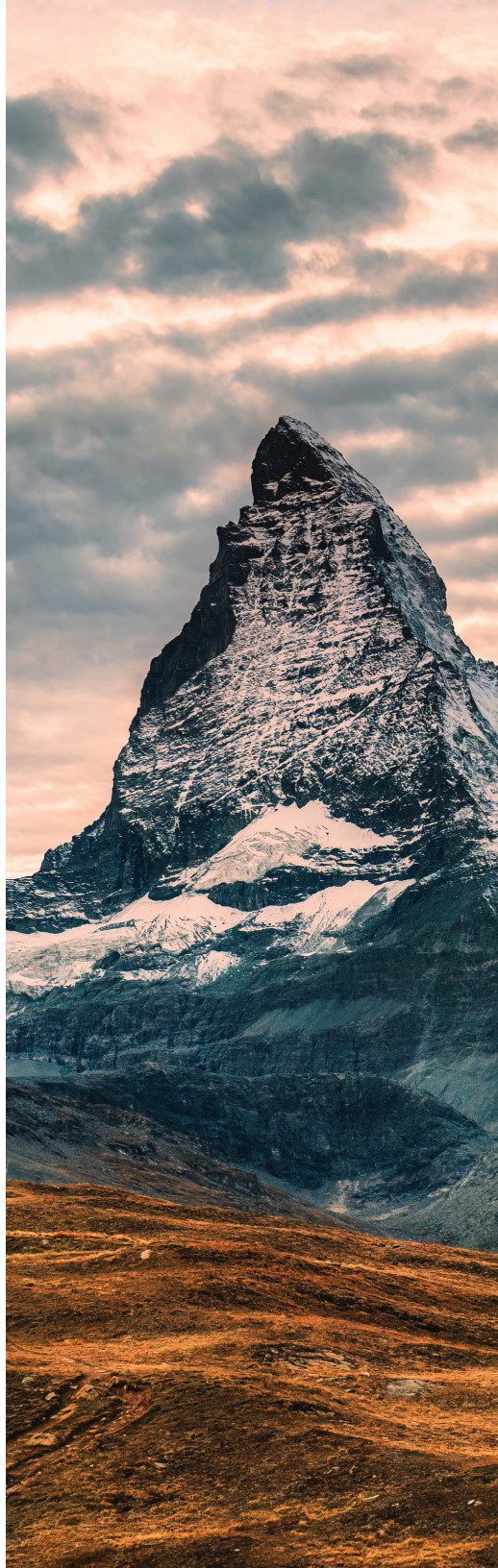
We know that all kids get off track from time to time. We accept this as part of spiritual growth and maturing in Christ. We handle undesirable behavior with grace, but we also believe in accountability. Our initial response will likely be informal, even lighthearted. If the behavior continues, a leader will address the problem with the student semi-privately and directly. It is extraordinarily rare for us to get beyond this point. But, our next step is to reach out to you in order to plan a course of improvement and resolution.

A JOURNEY WE TAKE TOGETHER

Life in Christ is not a solo hike, it's an adventure that requires all of us locking arms with one another! The "backpack" can get heavy on this journey, when there are issues and obstacles. Current Students is here to help carry some of the load, as your student learns to follow Jesus with passion, wisdom, and courage. We want to help create space for **honest conversations, spiritual growth,** and **authentic community**—both in your home and in this ministry.

Let's build a generation of students who take on the spiritual adventure ahead with joy and perseverance, becoming more than conquerors and changing the world for His glory.

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