

**Camp/Trip Leaders:**

We've created this template to highlight some key areas of training for Ministry Leaders for your camps/trips this summer. We strongly urge you to consider scheduling a full day with all your ministry leaders that will be attending your camp/trip, approximately 1 month before your camp/trip. You may also find it beneficial to partner up with a nearby YFC chapter and do this together.

We recommend that you do the morning training sessions as they are listed below, and then feel free to customize the rest of the training as you see fit. We've selected several topics that ministry leaders have referenced as areas they would like to receive more training. However, you know your group of leaders better than we do, so please customize this to meet the training needs of YOUR leaders! If you would like help customizing a leader training day, you can contact the YFC Camp team [yfccamp@yfc.net](mailto:yfccamp@yfc.net).

### **8:00-8:15 - Welcome & Thank You**

- Express how grateful you are for them committing to going on your camp/trip and serving kids in this way
- Give them a small gift if you have space in your budget! Nothing says “thank you” like a well thought out gift. Perhaps something they can use during your camp/trip: a nice water bottle or coffee thermos, a journal, a t-shirt or other clothing item, etc. At a very minimum, provide snacks and drinks throughout the day.
- Give them an overview of the day so they know what to expect.

### **8:15-9:30 - 3Story® Refresher**

- We call this a refresher because we assume every leader has done some 3Story® training. If you have any leaders who have not yet completed a 3Story® Training session, please make that happen before this particular camp/trip training day. All 3Story® resources are available [here](#).
- [Download the content for leading for this section](#)

### **9:30-9:45 - Break**

### **9:45-10:45 - 3Story® Community For Our Team**

- 3Story® is not just how we connect with kids; it is also how we connect with one another. In this section we will explore what it looks like for this group to become a 3Story® community.
- [Download the content for leading this section](#)

### **10:45-11:00 - Break**

### **11:00-12:00 - Sharing God’s Story**

- Knowing the high points of the Gospel, and being comfortable sharing them, may be our most important responsibility. This section will help leaders understand the highpoints of the Gospel and will give some basic tools for communicating these truths.
- [Download the content for leading this section](#)

### **12:00-1:00 - Lunch Break**

### **1:00-1:30 - Trauma, Behavior and Loving Discipline**

- In this section, we will explore: how the brain works, trauma and how it affects young people, and how we should respond as leaders in a camp/trip environment.
  - As a pre-assignment to do BEFORE this training, leaders should watch [this video](#) of Myron Bernard presenting information about trauma informed care. (Or if you would rather use time during this training day to watch the video together, the video is 36 minutes long – just adjust your schedule accordingly.)
- [Download the content for leading this section](#)

### **1:30-2:00 - Mental Health Training**

- In this section, we will explore ways for YFC ministry leaders to become educated in basic mental health awareness.
- Please note, the time for this section can greatly vary depending on the content you choose.
- [Download the content for leading this section](#)

### **2:00-2:15 - Break**

### **2:15-2:45 - The Importance of Prayer & Awareness of Spiritual Warfare**

- Spiritual warfare is real and has a tendency to “ramp up” in the camp setting. This section will allow time to discuss the importance of prayer and the awareness of spiritual warfare.
- [Download the content for leading this section](#)

### **2:45-3:15 - Training Block**

Depending on the needs of your leaders, determine which training sets up your leader best to engage in developing Authentic Christ Sharing Relationships with young people during the trip.

- [Facilitating a Discussion/Small Groups](#)
- [Relational Ministry Action - Appointments](#)
- [Listening Well](#)
- [Recognizing Abuse/Neglect and How to Report it](#)

### **3:15-3:30 - Break**

**3:30-4:00 - Knock it out of the park: How to be the best Ministry Leader at this camp/trip!**

- The program for this camp/trip will be really good, but the effort and initiative that each ministry leader puts in will take this experience to the next level. Challenge ministry leaders to take initiative to never let kids be bored.
- [Download the content for leading this section here.](#)

**4:00-4:30 - Questions, thoughts, comments, ideas, etc.**

- Questions, thoughts or comments that we haven't addressed today?
- Answer this question for the group (or in small groups): "As a result of this training today, I will\_\_\_\_"
- Fill out an evaluation of today!
  - What was your biggest takeaway from today's training?
  - What would you add or takeaway to make this training better for next year?
  - Do you feel ready to be a leader for this camp/trip? Why or why not?