

Basic Introduction to Teen Challenge Ministry

Participant Notesheet

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1. A quick look at the history of Teen Challenge

- a. How Teen Challenge first started in New York City in 1958
- b. Began in Europe in 1969
- c. What is God's desire for your nation, state, city, region?

2. Importance of the _____ to help us in this work

Psalm 127:1 NIV

Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain.

3. The heart of Teen Challenge: _____ and _____

- a. Like 2 wings of an airplane—which wing is more _____?
- b. Teen Challenge is more than drug _____
- c. What is life transformation?

4. Non-residential Teen Challenge ministry

- a. Street contact with drug addicts, including coffeehouse ministry
- b. Living Free Support Groups
- c. Day program for drug addicts

5. Residential Teen Challenge ministry

- a. Traditional Teen Challenge approach
 - > Induction—Months 1-4
 - > Training—Months 5-12
 - > Re-entry into society
- b. Adolescent ministries for those 12-17 years old
- c. Children's ministries—HIV/AIDS orphans Swaziland, Africa and Mumbai, India

6. Mission statement of Teen Challenge

The mission of Teen Challenge is to _____ and _____ persons with life-controlling problems and _____ the discipleship process to the point where the student can function as a Christian _____, applying spiritually motivated biblical principles in relationships in the family, church, chosen vocation, and community.

7. Key issues for staff

- a. _____ with Jesus
- b. _____ for hurting people
- c. Have a _____ spirit
--we all need training to be more effective
- d. Understand _____ living
- e. Dysfunctional staff create _____ disciples
- f. Teen Challenge ministry is _____ work

8. Questions for discussion

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