



Become the leader God is calling you to be.

**Prayer. Teaching. Mission.**

The Church needs young people transformed by Christ's love to be equipped and sent out as missionary disciples in the world. The Youth Leadership Institute (YLI) will bring high school students together for monthly evenings of prayer, formation, and accountability. Led by Damascus missionaries, we hope to mobilize youth to action. YLI will be a place where high school students are equipped with leadership formation in ministry, and given the tools they need to answer the call to mission and lead their peers, schools, families and parishes to Jesus.

# YLI Formation

The Youth Leadership Institute (YLI) is raising up a generation to be the next-level leaders the Church desperately needs. We believe that youth aren't just the future of the Church, but that they are the Church of today, and that when equipped, their gifts will help to grow the Church and strengthen the body of Christ. Through the Youth Leadership Institute, youth are equipped for mission through three primary means:

## Formation Unit 1: Prayer and Identity

Students are empowered to live in Jesus' confidence and freedom. They can expect to learn how to communicate practically and powerfully with God.

**Teaching 1: Renewal of the Mind** (September 15th) - Embrace the perspective of Heaven in every situation, able to discern between the truth of God and the subtle lies of the enemy.

**Teaching 2: How to Pray** (October 12th) - Learn to make every day and every moment a time of union with God that changes reality.

**Teaching 3: Theology of the Body** (November 9th) - Discover the deepest meaning of personal identity and how knowing who we are changes how we will live.

## Formation Unit 2: Lifestyle Christianity

Students learn to embrace Christianity in every part of their life. They become 'public Christians,' and bring Jesus into every sphere of influence.

**Teaching 1: Social Media** (December 14th) - Utilize the power of communication in this generation to influence souls for Christ.

**Teaching 2: Finding / Forming Community** (January 11th) - Forge godly community in personal spheres of influence that bring about Christian maturity.

**Teaching 3: Art of Pastoring** (February 8th) - Shepherd and lead the souls of those around us into deeper love for God.

## Formation Unit 3: Power Evangelization

Students become vehicles for the Holy Spirit to move in every moment of their daily lives. They are trained to share God's heart with others, and invite them into His healing and restoration.

**Teaching 1: Healing** (March 8th) - Discover God's power in bringing about emotional and physical restoration.

**Teaching 2: Prophecy** (April 12th) - Learn to hear the word of God and boldly share it with others.

**Teaching 3: Kerygma/Testimony** (May 10th) - Unlock the power of your story in bringing about transformation