

MENTORS

You might be a mentor if:

- You are saved and sure of it
- You are not perfect and you know it
- You can love and listen and care and keep confidences and not judge
- You are grounded in your Christian walk
- You are comfortable sharing your successes and your failures
- You can LISTEN WITHOUT FEELING THE NEED TO PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF YOUR OWN MORE IN-DEPTH EXPERIENCE
- You can use the resources you have to help find scripture that deals with the situation at hand.
- You can focus on the person you are mentoring instead of yourself
- You can see *opportunities* not *interruptions*
- You can be available without being consumed
- You see yourself NOT as a “sage on the stage” but “as a guide on the side”

Your ultimate goal is to foster, encourage, and support the Christian growth of your mentee(s). You are not being asked to be a stand-in for God. You are not being asked to be a sage, psychologist, guru, or marriage counselor. Many times people will figure out the resolution to a situation if given an opportunity to share with a loving, caring listener. You will be a non-judgmental listener and friend who points to God’s guidance, encouragement, and truth in life’s situations. You are being asked to develop a friendly relationship with your mentee(s). The depth and extent of this relationship is up to you and your mentee to decide. You may decide to involve your two families in social activities or not—whichever seems most appropriate to you and your mentee and is most conducive to the Christian growth of the mentee.

You will need to know your own spiritual gifts. If you don’t know yours complete a spiritual gifts inventory.

If you agree to participate you may be surprised at your own Christian growth through the process.

The next page will give you some further guidance. The last page will provide information about the class the new Christians are completing.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE GOD, THIS BRANCH OF THE CHURCH AND YOUR FELLOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST! YOU WILL BE BLESSED I AM SURE.

Mentors Guide Info.

We need you to:

Help your mentees to **G**row in Christ

Be a friend and an example of how a Christian should live and interact with society.

Be an **U**nderstanding listener

Be an understanding, kind, caring listener who helps the mentee grow into a lifestyle consistent with Godly living.

Help your mentee find **I**nformation

Use your reference materials to help your mentee find scriptures related to a topic of interest or concern as they seek to find God's instructions, promises, etc.

Help your mentee become a **D**isciple of Christ

Help, as requested and as guided by the Holy Spirit your mentee to make Godly decisions and live in a way consistent with Christ's teachings and example.

Provide **E**ncouragement by text, e-mail, phone call, card, etc.

Make a point of greeting your mentee, and of checking on their well-being. Send a text, e-mail, card, or make a phone call that shows you care.

This class has focused on some of the basic aspects of Christian living. Each session has centered around a discussion of the scriptures and related questions and guidance on each topic. Each of the sessions ended with a summary statement. These summary statements are listed below.

1. I AM SURE THAT I AM SAVED AND THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO DOUBT IN MY MIND
2. I AM READING SCRIPTURE TO LEARN HOW GOD WANTS ME TO LIVE
3. I AM TALKING WITH GOD THROUGH PRAYER SO I CAN GET TO KNOW HIM
4. YESTERDAY IS GONE AND SO ARE ITS PROBLEMS, HURTS, AND REGRETS
5. I WILL GET MY FAMILY UNDER GOD'S ORDAINED ORDER
6. I WILL BRING IN MY TITHES AND TRUST GOD
7. PURITY IS IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE IT IS IMPORTANT TO GOD
8. I WILL USE MY GIFTS TO SERVE GOD BECAUSE THAT IS WHY GOD GAVE THEM TO ME
9. I AM ONE WITH GOD'S FAMILY AND WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO SWEAT THE SMALL STUFF
10. I WILL LIVE TO BRING OTHERS TO KNOW CHRIST