



Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.
John 4:14

The **Mission** of The Well is to bring glory to God by inviting teenagers to meet and dedicate their lives to Jesus and build lasting relationships which moves them to mature in Christ.

The **Vision** of The Well is to become part of students' weekly routines through implementing highly relational teaching and biblical models. This will be accomplished through the involvement and investment in Youth Leaders who demonstrate what it means to follow Jesus and disciple teenagers to do likewise. The Well is a platform for Jesus to initiate a relationship. The Well does not judge, but seeks the lost. The Well encourages students to tell others about what they have received.

Values: The Well seeks to first love God.
The Well seeks to then love each other.
The Well seeks to make disciples of Jesus.

Foundational Beliefs:

1. The Word of God is our message book and method book.
2. God redeems people through Jesus Christ.
3. Healthy maturity in Jesus comes through building relationships.
4. The primary responsibility for spiritual growth lies with the family.
5. True spiritual growth occurs internally, not just external changes.
6. You cannot give what you do not have!
7. It is hard work to help young people mature in Christ.
8. Every teenager matters and deserves to be sought after with the love of Jesus.
9. The student ministry is bigger than any one leader or minister.
10. The Gospel is the focus.

Strategy:

- Recruit Youth Leaders who love Jesus
- Invest time and energy in helping Youth Leaders understand what it means to love teenagers to Jesus.
- Build up teenagers towards each other—this is accomplished primarily through small groups.
- Be in contact with teenagers weekly
- Be in contact with parents regularly
- Center each lesson on knowing God and seeking Him out in daily life.
 - +Games and lessons seek to build relationships with each other in order to have honest conversations about their faith and beliefs.
- Have quarterly or monthly one-off events where friends can be invited to be integrated into the ministry.
- Have bi-yearly retreats that act as a center point to meet Jesus in new and profound ways.