# FAMILY WORKSHOPS: PROMOTING DISCIPLESHIP AT HOME

SHARE YOUR FAITH STORY
Preparing for the milestone-Becoming a Youth New Member



Recommended Age: 9th-12th grades

### WHY?

Parents are the best models for the children as they grow in faith and you can encourage and support your child in the next step in their walk with Jesus Christ.

### WHAT?

The sharing of our faith stories helps others grow closer to God. Take time to review and prepare to share your personal faith journey, including, scripture, events, and people that helped you grow

### How?

Attend the Youth New Members Parent Workshop...Share your Faith Story. Email Tina to sign up for the weekly emails with encouragement and updates during the student classes. Check out the tips and resources below as well.

1 Peter 3:15 "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have"

## TIPS FOR ENGAGING WITH YOUR STUDENT DUR-ING THEIR YOUTH NEW MEMBER CLASS:

Class Enrichment Activities: As part of the Youth New Member Class, students will be asked to create a timeline of their faith story, to talk to you (their parent) about a favorite bible verse, to visit another faith community, to learn about their spiritual gifts, and to listen to their parents faith story, in addition, to writing their own statement of faith.

How to support: If you haven't before, take some time to reflect on the same questions/activities as your student, so that you can discuss with your teen. Think about people, scripture and events during the various seasons of your life and how they impacted your faith journey. Be sure to share doubts and questions you may have had. This is a great opportunity to let them know God is big enough for those.

Make time: Make time to talk about this with your teen, when asked. If they don't ask, ask them...would you like to hear my faith story?

# CHECK OUT THESE RESOURCES:

Click <u>HERE</u> to download the faith story worksheet to assist you.

Let your kids see your faith by Ron Deal LMFT