

# YOUTH TEAM

The Youth Team will work directly with each participating church's Youth Leader/Worker to recruit volunteers from each church.

## Responsibilities of the Youth Chairman

- Serves as the Youth Team liaison to all of the participating churches, the staff of **GO TELL Crusades** and the community. He/she will meet with youth pastors, school officials, coaches, community leaders, government officials, law enforcement officers, business leaders, civic groups, school groups (i.e., Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Young Life, First Priority, etc.) and anyone who could assist the Youth Team in achieving its goal.
- Provides training and oversight to all who serve on the Crusade Youth Team. Organizes and promotes all organized outreach efforts. Works with the Outreach Team on dates where youths can participate in Crusade Invitation distribution or other activities.
- Coordinates arrangements for the **Pre-Crusade Student Rally**. This rally is held on the Wednesday or Saturday before the Crusade. A local area worship band may perform. Secure a venue such as a high school gym, area civic center, local church, etc. GO TELL's Youth Evangelist will be the key speaker. Counselors need to be available for those who make decisions for Christ. Production will need to be provided locally. GO TELL will help coordinate content, including any videos, etc. Questions, concerns or recommendations for this event should be discussed with GO TELL's home office before any changes are made.
- Schedules the "**ON TRACK**" **Assembly Program** in the local middle and high schools.
- Ensures all arrangements for the **Wednesday Night Pizza Blast** are made.

# PIZZA BLAST

- Student Emphasis Night is the last night of the Crusade. This event will be kicked off with a “gigantic” pizza blast for all students one hour before the service begins. ***Do not substitute anything for pizza.*** Pizza is by far the easiest thing to serve, and most kids love pizza.
- Estimate the amount of pizza needed. Contact all pizza vendors in your area to let them know what will be taking place and how much pizza you will need. Then negotiate the best price. It is suggested you order several different toppings, i.e., pepperoni, cheese, beef, etc.
- Check with the pizza provider to ensure the pizzas are delivered on time. If it is delivered by 5:45 p.m., there should be plenty of time to prepare to serve by 6 p.m.
- Set up a serving line for each different type of pizza and one for drinks. Make sure you have enough adults to serve and limit the number of slices until you are sure you won't run out. (Example: 2 per youth until everyone is served, then allow seconds.)
- Items needed:
  - Plates
  - Napkins
  - Drinks (bottled water preferred)
  - Gloves for servers, etc.
- Serving should stop no later than 6:45 p.m.

# ON TRACK School Assembly Program

**ON TRACK** is a 30- to 45-minute assembly program that has been presented to more than 2 million students in schools nationwide. *ON TRACK* has been praised by scores of principals across America as one of the finest and most captivating assembly programs ever presented to their students. *ON TRACK* has achieved an unusually high success rate of reception in public and private schools across America. Because of the subject matter, *ON TRACK* is accepted by many schools and organizations that have been closed to other outside programs.

**ON TRACK** is ideal for all middle and senior high school campuses. In addition, it is designed for private and alternative schools, youth detention facilities and even youth drug treatment facilities. The school assemblies should be set up at least three months before the local Crusade. They should be conducted on Monday, Tuesday and/or Wednesday of the Crusade week.

**ON TRACK** is not a religious program!!! It should not be presented as such. The purpose of the program is to reinforce the message already being taught by the school system. **ON TRACK** simply wants to make this opportunity available to each of the schools in your community to lock arms with them and support the awesome job they are doing already with your young people. It is best if an influential, articulate layperson (businessman or woman) makes the approach to the school administrator or, at least, accompanies the Youth Chairman. This approach helps to dispel any preconceived notions that this program presents a religious message.

Use the **ON TRACK** brochure and video from **GO TELL Crusades** when approaching the principal. Strive to schedule the assembly program during your initial meeting.

A local sound technician and sound system often are needed to ensure the quality of the sound for the presentation. Many sound systems in schools are not adequate to handle a student body assembly. The Youth Chairman should enlist one or two teams to help set up the sound system since often there may be two groups presenting in different locations at the same time.

Enlist several youth leaders/workers to hand out *Pizza Blast* tickets at the end of the assembly to ensure that every student has a ticket, inviting them to the free Pizza Blast on the closing night of the Crusade. It is important to know the total numbers of students at each school to guarantee an adequate number of tickets are available.