

WHAT IS A DELEGATE ANYWAY?

EACH CONGREGATION IN THE MID-SOUTH DISTRICT CAN HAVE ONE ADULT AND TWO YOUTH DELEGATES ON THE MSD YAC (YOUTH ADULT COMMITTEE). THE DELEGATES ARE YOUR YOUTH GROUPS VOICE IN DISTRICT YOUTH LEADERSHIP. AT EACH YEAR'S ELECTION, YOUR DELEGATES ARE ELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR YAC OFFICER POSITIONS, AND ARE THE PEOPLE WHO VOTE ON BEHALF OF YOUR YOUTH GROUP. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT YOUR DELEGATES BECOME OFFICERS, THEY COME TO YAC MEETINGS, AGAIN, ON BEHALF OF YOUR YOUTH GROUP. EACH YEAR THERE ARE 3 MANDATORY MEETINGS. (USUALLY IN SEPTEMBER, JANUARY, AND AT ANNUAL ASSEMBLY)

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A DELEGATE?

THE MOST IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITY OF A DELEGATE IS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR YOUTH GROUP TO DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND TO TALK WITH THEM BEFORE YAC MEETINGS ABOUT THEIR FEELINGS ABOUT TOPICS THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED OR ISSUES THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE BROUGHT UP AT THE MEETING. DELEGATES ALSO WORK WITH THE YAC ON ITEMS IN BETWEEN MEETINGS USUALLY THROUGH E-MAIL. DELEGATES SHOULD MAKE A CONSCIOUS EFFORT TO INCLUDE EVERYONE.

HOW DOES A CONGREGATION CHOOSE DELEGATES?

HOWEVER THEY WANT TO! TYPICALLY, ONE OF THE YOUTH WILL ANNOUNCE THE ANNUAL MEETING, GIVE A BLURB ABOUT THE MEETING AND WHAT THE YAC DOES IN GENERAL AND EVERYONE WILL SET A DATE A COUPLE WEEKS LATER TO ELECT THEIR DELEGATES. THE WAYS BY WHICH YOUTH GROUP CHOOSE THEIR DELEGATES DIFFER GREATLY FROM CONGREGATION TO CONGREGATION AND THE NUMBER OF YOUTH IN THE GROUP. USE A METHOD THAT IS COMFORTABLE FOR EVERYONE. TYPICALLY THE ADULT DELEGATE IS ONE OF YOUR ADVISORS, BUT AGAIN, IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT BEING A DELEGATE, CONTACT ONE OF THE CO-CHAIRS OR ANY MEMBER OF THE YAC.

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