

Hybrid Youth Institute – Year Syllabus

School Year: September 2025 – June 2026

Grades: 9–12

Purpose: A Discipleship school that empowers youth in grades 9 to 12 to grow spiritually, know their purpose, develop Godly character, lead by serving, and follow Jesus's example in transforming a broken world.

September – The Bible

Teacher: Brian Rutten

Theme: The Story of the Bible

- Sept 3 – See the Bible as one big story from Genesis to Revelation.
 - Sept 10 – Understand the main events and theme of Scripture throughout the Bible.
 - Sept 17 – Connect the Old and New Testaments into one unified message.
 - Sept 24 – Be able to explain the big picture of the Bible to others.
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October – How to Study the Bible

Teacher: Jonathan Kiensler

Theme: How to Study the Bible

- Oct 1 – Learn how to read, understand, and apply Scripture.
 - Oct 8 – Practice step-by-step Bible study methods.
 - Oct 15 – Use study tools like Bible apps and commentaries.
 - Oct 22 – Build a personal Bible study habit.
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November – Salvation

Teacher: Samir Mekonnen

Theme: Salvation

- Oct 29 – Know why we need salvation and what it means.
- Nov 5 – Understand grace, faith, repentance, and forgiveness and our future hope.
- Nov 12 – Correct common misunderstandings about salvation.
- Nov 19 – Share the gospel clearly with friends and family.

December – Who is God

Teacher: Daniel Jimenez

Theme: The Character of God

- Nov 26 – Learn God's key characteristics.
- Dec 3 – See how God reveals Himself through the Old and New Testaments.
- Dec 10 – Correct misunderstandings of who God is in the Bible.
- Dec 17 – Build an intimate relationship with God.

Dec 24 & Dec 31 – Christmas & New Year Break (No Classes)

January – The Theology of the Spirit

Teacher: Jonathan Kiensler

Theme: Walking with God

- Jan 7 – Learn why the Holy Spirit is important in Scripture.
 - Jan 14 – Understand who the Holy Spirit is and His role in the Bible.
 - Jan 21 – Discover the Holy Spirit in the Old and New Testament.
 - Jan 28 – See how the Spirit equips us for ministry.
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February – Spiritual Life

Teacher: Mark Macknight

Theme: Walking with God

- Feb 4 – Practice spiritual habits like prayer, fasting, and worship.
 - Feb 11 – Learn how to stay close to God in daily life.
 - Feb 18 – Overcome common challenges to spiritual growth.
 - Feb 25 – Endurance in the faith and obedience through life's ups and downs.
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March – The Church

Teacher: Pastor Terefe Sereke

Theme: The Body of Christ

- Mar 4 – Why is church important for their life.

- Mar 11 – What is the church.
 - Mar 18 – Finding your place to serve in the church.
 - Mar 25 – The case study of the Antioch church.
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April – Calling & Purpose

Teacher: Caleb Sereke

Theme: Identifying Your Calling and Purpose

- Apr 1 – Understanding God’s mission for humanity.
 - Apr 8 – Easter Break (No Class)
 - Apr 15 – Learn how to follow God’s calling in your life.
 - Apr 22 – Discover your spiritual gifts.
 - Apr 29 – Write your own purpose statement in the light of God’s mission.
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May – Christian Living

Teacher: Selam Ayele

Theme: Kingdom Living

- May 6 – Understand what it means to live in God’s Kingdom on this earth.
 - May 13 – Apply God’s Word to relationships, work, and school.
 - May 20 – The principle of stewardship of time, money, talents, and relationships.
 - May 27 – Live to advance God’s Kingdom on earth.
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June – Evangelism & Apologetics

Teacher: TBD

Theme: Apologetics Questions

- Jun 3 – How should Christians respond to LGBTQ+ issues? Part 1
- Jun 10 – How should Christians respond to LGBTQ+ issues? Part 2
- Jun 17 – How should Christians respond to LGBTQ+ issues? Part 3
- Jun 24 – How to share your faith and testimony with confidence, respect, and gentleness.