

# PARTNER MINISTRY

with the Center for Youth Ministry Training



*Sam has been able to provide programming that appeals to all of our youth. We have seen an increased level of engagement from our youth that has brought a new sense of enthusiasm. As a church, we have been blessed to have Sam on our staff as our youth director.”* Karen Udovich of St. Paul UMC speaking about CYMT resident Sam Belcher

## YOUTH MINISTER PLACEMENT FOR YOUR FAITH COMMUNITY

We help communities of faith like yours—whether church, camp, or nonprofit—effectively fill your need for a trained youth minister. Our partner ministries are matched with a CYMT graduate resident who serves for 3 years as your youth minister while they are going through our unique, comprehensive graduate residency program that equips them to develop innovative, effective, and theologically informed youth ministries.

## PARTNER MINISTRY COMPONENTS



**YOUTH MINISTER  
PLACEMENT**



**TRAINING FOR  
YOUR YOUTH MINISTER**



**COACHING FOR  
YOUR MINISTRY TEAM**

The Center for Youth Ministry Training is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that equips youth ministers and communities of faith to develop innovative, effective, and theologically informed ministries so youth may experience the love and grace of Jesus Christ.



**These are seminary level students - people who have already discerned a call to ministry. They're at a level of their educational journey that they will have some foundations of faith and theology. The level of education they are going to have far exceeds the education of most of the youth ministers in the conference."** Rev. Lane Wood of St. John's UMC with CYMT resident Haleigh Schwartz

## CYMT PARTNER MINISTRY

### How It Works

Finding a good youth minister is difficult. Partnering with CYMT saves you time and money while allowing you to strengthen your ministry's foundation for the future.

CYMT recruits a national pool of applicants called to professional youth ministry. Those who are accepted enter our 3-year Graduate Residency in Youth Ministry program, where they receive theological education, practical training, and one-on-one coaching to ensure they are getting the most innovative and effective training for today's youth ministry environment. Residents are hand-matched with a CYMT partner ministry where they will serve as youth minister.

Residents who are admitted to the program are vetted through four phases of our application process. Our team prayerfully considers our applicants and your ministry's needs to find a good fit. Then, we equip both the graduate resident and your ministry team for effective ministry.

### Training & Education

During their 3 years, residents work towards a Master of Arts in Youth Ministry through our hybrid classroom model with partner seminary, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Residents will attend classroom intensives 3-4 times per semester at either the Austin, TX campus or the Nashville, TN extension site.

### Investment

\$27,000 per year / \$81,000 total for the 3-year program. The partner church's investment covers the graduate resident's tuition, books, seminary fees, coaching, mileage, and monthly stipend. The partner church is also responsible for providing housing and utilities for the resident.  
Total investment = \$81,000 + \$350 application fee

## PLACEMENT, TRAINING, & SUPPORT SO YOU CAN FOCUS ON THE GROWTH & HEALTH OF YOUR MINISTRY

BENEFITS	PARTNERING WITH CYMT	HIRING WITHOUT CYMT
National Pool of Applicants	✓	Limited Applicants
Placement Matching	✓	On your own to determine best fit
Access to CYMT Innovation Lab	✓	
Theological Education for Your Youth Minister	✓	
Ongoing Support & Coaching for Your Ministry Team	✓	

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