

YOUTH FOR CHRIST MUSIC MINISTRY

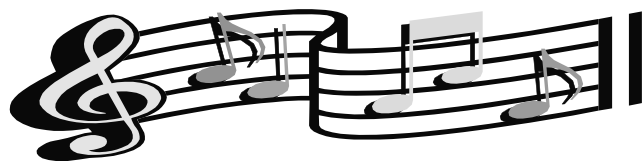


The purpose of the Music Ministry is to share the gospel of Jesus Christ through song, encourage believers in their walk with Christ, lead the congregation in worship and provide an avenue through which individuals may share their gift and be an integral part of the worship.

The Music Ministry spreads the Word of God through music experiences.

The divisions of the True Believers Baptist Church Music Ministry are as follows:

- Adult Choir
- Male Chorus
- Praise Team
- Youth for Christ (YFC) Choir



Guidelines

Adult, Male, & Youth Choirs

The choir provides worshipful music for assigned church worship services and special services outside of the church.

Membership

Adult Choir - The membership of the Adult Choir shall consist of individuals, minimum 18 years of age, who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and possess a desire to serve God through the music ministry.

Male Chorus - The membership of the Male Chorus shall consist of male Adult Choir members.

Youth For Christ (YFC) Choir- The membership of the YFC Choir shall consist of individuals, minimum 3 years of age.

Attendance

1. Members are expected to be present and on time for all rehearsals and performances. When this is not possible, it is the member's responsibility to contact the President/Coordinator and advise them of the situation.
2. After two consecutive absences from rehearsals, an individual will not sing with the choir at the next performance.
3. After four consecutive absences the choir member's name will be deleted from the active choir roll, following communication stating such from a choir officer.
4. Members are expected to remain in the choir stand for the duration of the worship services, performance, or rehearsal.
5. Members are expected to arrive not less than ten (10) minutes before serving, in order to participate in a period of consecration.

Performance

1. Members are expected to be on time for all performances.
2. No member shall enter the choir stand after the choir has processed and worship has begun.
3. Members are expected to refrain from gum chewing, eating, unnecessary talking or note passing during rehearsals, worship, or performance.

Choir Discipline

1. Any event or engagement extended to or concerning a choir must be approved by the Minister of Music, and Pastor.
2. Cleanliness of choir robes and other uniforms are essential and the responsibility of the member.

Praise Team

The praise team encourages each individual in the body of Christ to make "His" glorious praise by leading the congregation in a corporate time of praise.

Membership

1. The membership of the Praise Team shall consist of dependable Adult Choir members.
2. Must be an example of worshippers in public and private life.
3. Must have a "freedom" to praise God openly.
4. Members must attend regularly church services and a Bible Study of the church.
5. Must have leadership qualities (ability to take initiative).
6. Must arrive at services and functions on time.

Attendance, Performance & Choir Discipline

Members are expected to follow the same guidelines as listed for choirs.

Job Descriptions

Minister of Music

Principal Function: Responsible to the Pastor and to the church for planning, coordinating, conducting, and evaluating a comprehensive music ministry.

Responsibilities:

1. Assist the Pastor in planning congregational services and be responsible for the selection of all music.
2. Coordinate the Church Music Ministry with the calendar and emphases of the church.
3. Be aware of weddings, funerals, and/or other events to be held at the church, be available for counsel and arrange for music for special projects, ministries, and other church related activities in cooperation with appropriate individuals or groups.
4. Direct music groups and congregational singing.
5. Be responsible for enlisting and training leaders for the Music Ministry.
6. Supervise the work of all leaders in the Music Ministry, delegate work and responsibility as needed.
7. Give counsel and direction to song leaders, accompanists, and other musicians who serve in the church.

8. Conduct yearly choir election of officers.
9. Coordinate the performance schedule of music groups and individuals in the functions of the church.
10. Perform other duties as assigned.

Musician

Principal Function: Responsible to the Minister of Music and Pastor for playing of congregational services and special services as assigned.

Musicians will be allowed 2 Sundays paid leave to be scheduled in cooperation with the Minister of Music and the Pastor.

Responsibilities:

1. Play for services of the church as assigned.
2. Assist the Minister of Music in planning congregational services, rehearsals, and special music events.
3. Serve as accompanist for choirs and soloists during worship services and scheduled appearances outside of the church.
4. Assist the Minister of Music as requested in appraising and selecting music.
5. Be responsible for overseeing the regular maintenance of the church's instruments.

Choir Directors

Responsibilities:

1. Direct music during service and rehearsals.
2. Assist the Minister of Music in planning congregational services, rehearsals, and special music events.
3. Attend musicians' rehearsals.
4. Conduct choir rehearsals in the absence of the Minister of Music.
5. Be responsible for the selection of music in the absence of the Minister of Music.

Choir Officers

President/Coordinator

1. Conduct choir business meetings. All business meetings will be held during the first ten (10) minutes of the scheduled rehearsal.

2. Approve in cooperation with the Minister of Music and Pastor of invitations to engagements outside of the church.
3. Recruit new members.
4. Communicate with the secretary rehearsal times.
5. Contact choir members in regards to rehearsal changes.
6. Contact absent members.
7. Advise members of dismissal from the choir.
8. Responsible for the planning and coordination of all choir functions (i.e., musicals, programs).
9. Plan choir fellowships, outings, and inreach/outreach activities.
10. Provide all new members with a copy of the choir's guidelines and order choir robes as needed.

Vice President

Assist the choir president with duties as assigned.

Secretary

1. Maintain an up-to-date membership roll for the choir.
2. Record attendance of members. Advise president of repeat absentees.
3. Record Minutes of Choir Meetings.
4. Collect money and maintain records for purchases if necessary (i.e., robes, flowers, etc.).

Music Ministry Schedules

Order Of Service – Sunday Morning, 11:00 a.m.

Opening Praise

Devotion

Scripture Reading

Prayer

Congregational Greeting

Praise Dance (4th Sundays)

Hymn of the Month

Praise & Worship Period

Ministry in Music

Sermon

Invitation to Discipleship

Service of Giving

Recognition of Visitors

Announcements/Pastoral Remarks

Closing Prayer

Bold italics indicates when music should be played

Worship Service Devotion will be in conducted be the following on indicated Sundays:

1st – Deacons, Adult Choir

2nd – Deacons, Male Chorus

3rd – Youth For Christ Ministry (Also will collect offering, read announcements & recognize visitors)

4th – Women, Adult Choir

5th – Deacons, Adult Choir

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Adult Choir

Each Wednesday, except prior to 3rd Sunday – 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Each 4th Saturday, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Praise Team

Each 4th Saturday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Each Wednesday prior to 3rd Sunday – 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Male Chorus

Each Saturday – 9:00 am

Youth Choir

2nd Sunday – 30 minute music review following YFC Ministry Meeting

Wednesday prior to 3rd Sunday – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Musicians

4th Sundays following Service

Dance Ministry

To Be Announced