How To Host A Make The Connection Training Summit

Hosting a Make The Connection Training Summit is easy. If you are a ministry or organization that is interested in being empowered through this one or two day training event please take note of the following points.

Host Facility Needs:

Please note that to host a Make The Connection Training Summit the following equipment will help make the training event most effective.

- Audio system with recording capabilities
- Lapel or handheld microphone
- Folding/seminar tables or desks for easy note taking
- Projector and screen (for visual presentations)

Training Packets:

We forward all training materials to the host ministry or organization prior to the scheduled summit. The materials are to be copied and placed in the Make The Connection Folders for each attendee. There is also an option of securing a Make The Connection Training Manuel for the packet of each attendee as well.

Target Attendees:

Please note that these training events are for adults who work with teens and not for teenagers. These innovative workshops are excellent for: pastors, youth pastors, teachers, christian educators, after-school program leaders and those who mentor teens.

The Scope of the Summit:

Make The Connection Training Summits have been hosted in a variety of ways. Some of the ways are listed below:

- One local ministry or organization hosts the event exclusively for their youth leaders and youth workers.
- A group of local ministries or organizations join together to host the event.
- An association, fellowship or denomination hosts the summit that their regional and/or national members may benefit.

Inquiries and Scheduling:

For Make The Connection Training Summit inquiries or scheduling contact us via e-mail at requests@oluteens.com or call 1.866.658.8336. You may also contact us at: Operation Link-Up Teen Mentoring Ministries, P.O. Box 437740, Chicago, IL 60643.

Make The Connection Training Summit Schedules

One-Day Event

The one day Make The Connection Training Summit provides youth leaders with two sessions. These two sessions are from one of the listed session topics that we make available. Therefore, both sessions address the same specific area of teen ministry leadership. Each ministry or organization selects the topic that they feel is needed for the one-day event.

 Session #1
 9:00a.m.
 –
 11:00a.m.

 Application Exercise
 11:00a.m.
 –
 11:30a.m.

 Lunch
 11:30a.m.
 –
 12:15p.m.

 Questions & Answers
 12:15p.m.
 –
 12:45p.m.

 Session #2
 12:45p.m.
 –
 2:45p.m.

 Application Exercise
 2:45p.m.
 –
 3:15p.m.

Two-Day Event

The two-day Make The Connection Training Summit provides three in-depth sessions that address up to three different areas of teen ministry leadership. There is time following each session to process and plan how to implement the principles and strategies within the ministry or organization. The two-day event is very comprehensive in its' coverage of subject matter.

Day One: Session #1 -9:00p.m. 7:00p.m. – Planning Huddle -9:00p.m. – 9:15p.m. Day Two: Session #2 -9:00a.m. – 12:00p.m. 12:30p.m. Planning Huddle -12:00p.m. -Lunch 12:30p.m. Session #3 -1:30p.m. 4:30p.m. 4:30p.m. Planning Huddle – 5:00p.m. Commitment & Commission 5:00p.m. 5:30p.m.

What Youth Workers Are Saying About Make The Connection Training Summits

"This summit challenged me to re-evaluate my witness as well as my approach with my youth." Min. Jimmerson

"The energy and information that the speaker had was awesome. There was not a boring moment." M. Henley

"I was challenged to apply these principles to my life first and then to pass them on to my teens as their mentor!" T. Cook

"Make The Connection has inspired me to dream big!" Pastor Tassio

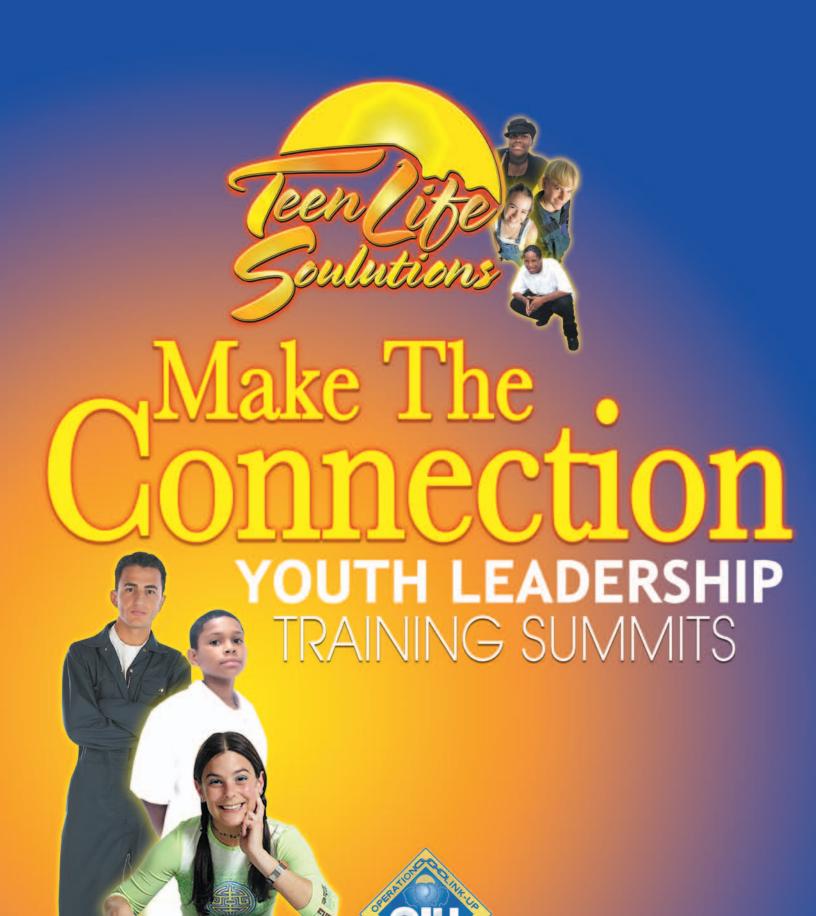
"The information that was given is a right now message for training us youth leaders." F. Clardy

"This event was a reality check. It gave me a lot of insight." L. Stewart

"This summit challenged me to rethink how I've been doing youth ministry." M. Tyler

"This summit encouraged me to stretch myself beyond my limits to become a more effective leader."

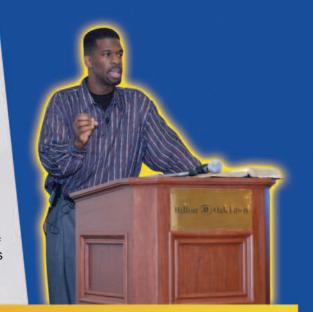
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Thanks for your commitment to reach the teens of this generation! Remaining relevant in teen ministry is more challenging now, than in the past, because of the lightening speed at which the youth culture evolves. Therefore, pastors, youth leaders and mentors must be equipped with contemporary tools and strategies that enable them to effectively connect with the next generation. Make The Connection Youth Leaders Training Summits sharpen adult leaders and helps them to increase their impact upon teens in their ministries and communities! The Make The Connection experience is exciting, challenging and a blessing to all who participate. We are willing to help you "make the connection" and reach more teens for Christ! Author of Teen Life Soulutions



The Purpose of Make The Connection Training Summits

Make The Connection Training Summits are designed to propel churches, ministries and community organizations to the next level of effectiveness and excellence in their efforts to reach teens for Christ.

Each informative session is highlighted by times of in-depth biblically based instruction, powerful insights and enriching team-building exercises. These sessions provide a broad platform upon which adult youth leadership teams can build in the future!



Make The Connection Workshops Have the Following Benefits

EMPOWERS YOUTH WORKERS

Make The Connection Training Summits helps each adult youth worker to discover where he or she can have the most impact within teen ministry. They are empowered with practical insights on how to immediately implement their teen ministry gifts and skills within their local ministry and organization.

ENRICHES ADULT YOUTH MINISTRY TEAMS

Contemporary strategies are shared that helps to identify and highlight the critical roles that adult mentors and youth workers should fulfill in every church. There are in-depth team structures that are introduced that help to raise the level of efficiency and success of the overall teen ministry and organization.

EQUIPS MINISTRIES TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE

Churches and organizations are equipped with well-defined operational models that can be tailored to fit all types of teen ministries. These models help to increase the effectiveness of the teen ministries by providing: contemporary teaching strategies, organizational structures, a blueprint for outreaches as well as positive disciplinary and reinforcement systems for teen ministries and organizations.



Sessions Available to You

"Adapt Without Adopting A Secular Approach" Session Highlights

This session teaches youth workers how to be relevant without compromising their standards. They will learn to speak the "correct cultural language and dialect" of the teens that they are attempting to reach in their city. Youth Workers will be empowered with three dynamic biblical strategies that will make them spiritually and socially relevant in all of their teen outreaches and programs.

"Define The Lines" Session Highlights

This session teaches youth workers to accept and maximize their God-given grace to reach teens. Each youth worker will learn that his or her role is to help to "complete" the teen ministry team and not to "compete" for significance. They will discover ways to excel within the lanes of their teen ministry gifts and passions that the youth ministry will be strengthened and remain stable.

"Stretched To Leadership Excellence" Session Highlights

This session is great for youth workers who are in ministry assignments that are extending them beyond the boundaries of traditional youth ministry. They are equipped with insights and strategies on how to raise up teens who are (spiritual DOA's) "dead on arrivals" that are referred to them from schools, the juvenile courts and social service providers for spiritual and social intervention!

"Starting From Scratch" Session Highlights

Youth Workers are equipped with five teen ministry "organizational systems" that are pertinent for the long-term success of the teen ministry and local church. This session highlights the importance of building a structured and balanced youth ministry rather than an event-oriented youth group. Through the insights of this session youth workers learn how to build teen ministry systems within their group that will keep them from burning out!

"Connecting With Disconnected Teens" Session Highlights

This session provides youth workers with insights on how to make connections with teens that are spiritually detached and socially marginalized in the community. Youth Workers learn the secrets that draw the souls of these teens to Christ and their youth group. They learn how to cultivate and develop "community" roots of character, culture and commitment that will enable them to draw detached and marginalized teens (the "hard cases") to Christ!

"Mentoring That Makes The Difference" Session Highlights

This session teaches youth workers how to excel in frontline and supportive mentoring positions within the teen ministry or organization. This session also highlights the three primary roles that an adult mentor should fulfill in the life of his or her teen mentee. There are also insights and strategies given on how to organize and implement a mentoring network in any youth group regardless of its size!

"How To Get Them There" Session Highlights

Youth Workers are equipped with teen teaching techniques that will increase their impact in Bible classes and youth group discussions. This session reveals the secrets of inductive instruction that enables teachers to easily engage and capture the attention of their teens. They will learn to create a teaching style that is conducive for long-term retention and spiritual growth in teens!

"It Takes Two: Teens and Adults" Session Highlights

This session reveals key points on how to establish a strong working partnership between the teen ministry and adults within the local church. Youth Workers learn strategies and approaches on how to build bridges that eliminate generational alienation and division. Great tools are provided that will help any ministry build long-term spiritual cohesion and partnership between the generations!