



The Christian Education Resource center & Women's Studies

Dear Friends and Partners in Ministry,
Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
I would love to share with you about our latest training event, the Youth Leaders Training Seminar under the title TEENOLOGY 302 which is part of a series that we are following since the beginning of CERC trainings for youth leaders.

The training took place on Saturday March 15, 2014, and was attended by 43 youth leaders from churches, fellowships and social organizations.

Near East School of Theology
The Christian Education Resource Center
Teenology 302

Session One
THE CHALLENGE OF ATHEISM
Speaker: **Dr. George Sabra**
Equipping Youth Leaders To Equip Teens

Session Two
9 SPIRITUAL TEMPERAMENTS OF YOUTH
Speaker: **Mrs. Patty Ford**
Ways Teens Connect With God

Saturday, March 15, 2014
From 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, lunch included

This training is for Youth leaders + Whoever Is Interested
Last day of registration is March 13, 2014
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Participation Fee: 5,000 L.L.
Parking is available at the NEST Underground garage.



Our topics for this year's training were:

Session One

The Challenge of Atheism: Equipping Youth Leaders to Equip Teens.

Speaker: Dr. George Sabra

We are all aware that our youth are facing the challenge of atheism on a daily basis and many leaders are finding it difficult to deal with this challenge and help the youth and guide them in the best possible way. Thus it was decided that it is a must to help youth leaders be prepared and open to such a challenge and the best way is to be equipped to deal with the so many questions that youth bring with them to youth group meetings.



Dr. George Sabra, President of the Near East School of Theology and Professor of Systematic Theology.

A short Coffee Break between sessions.



Session Two

9 Spiritual Temperaments of Youth: Ways Teens Connect with God.

Speaker: Mrs. Patty Ford.

This session was a more practical session to help youth leaders realize that each teen or person has a special way of connecting with God and youth leaders need to be aware of this and plan their programs accordingly so that faith growth continues.

Mrs. Patty Ford.
Christian Educator



Activities during the session:



After the two sessions, participants shared their evaluation about how this seminar helped them realize how essential were the information provided and how they can implement them.

Some of the feedback we got:

- Envisioning, Motivational.
- The chosen topics directly related to our daily lives which made it very interesting.
- I enjoyed both sessions. I wished there was more time for more in depth discussion about the challenge of atheism session. The second topic was relevant for my youth ministry. I enjoyed the clear and scientific presentation.
- Session one gave me answers about the challenge of atheism and session two helped me understand the different perspectives of spiritual temperaments and help youth.
- It helped me in my spiritual growth.
- The sessions were practical, clear, challenging and to the point.
- It was practical and interesting.
- It refreshed my mind and opened new windows.
- The tackled issues were contemporary.
- So helpful for our youth team, esp. on how to deal with the spiritual needs of the teens.
- This training made me aware of the recent challenges faced by me as a youth leader and made me realize that there is much more learning I have to do.
- It was challenging for me and led me to deeper understanding.

At the end of the training seminar, all were invited to share a fellowship lunch where the discussions continued about the sessions.



Participants fellowshiping during lunch in the NEST dining hall.

We pray that God continues to use the CERC for organizing such events so that we can better minister to those who are ministering to others.

Thank you for your support and continuous prayers. May God bless you and keep you.

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