

WHAT IS A HOMESCHOOL YOUTH ALIVE CLUB?

A homeschool Youth Alive Club is similar to a traditional public-school club—it just takes place on a different campus. A Homeschool Youth Alive Club is a group of students who are home or cyber schooled, but who also live in the same area and want to start a club to meet and share the Gospel together. A homeschool club shares the Gospel with a homeschool co-op, neighborhood, workplaces, or sports/activity groups through teaching and preaching the Word of God and doing outreaches to share the Gospel.

One of the great things about a Homeschool Youth Alive Club is that it can meet whenever it's convenient for the club members. Just like a lot of things with homeschool, the schedule can fit the needs of the students, just so long as the meetings are consistent and effective. The goals of a Homeschool Youth Alive Club are:

- » **Gospel-focused** – including a presentation at every meeting that gives attendees the opportunity to place their faith in God.
- » **Community** – Provide the opportunity for Godly community to be experienced by everyone.
- » **Prayer** – Giving space for each person to present prayer requests and praying with faith for God to answer those requests.
- » **Mission** – Creating outreaches to serve and share the Gospel with the community, neighborhood, co-op, or sports and activities groups the members are connected to. Ideally, a club will complete one outreach for each full month (9) of the school year.

You've already completed the Youth Alive Movement Essentials. Now use these Documents to help you start and run Homeschool Youth Alive Club:

Core Documents:

1. Starting a Homeschool Youth Alive Club
2. Interest Sheet
3. Core Team Assignments
4. Effective Meetings
5. Meeting Planner
6. Outreach Coaching Guide
7. Outreach Planning

Supplemental Documents:

1. Yearly Planner
2. Monthly Planner



STARTING A HOMESCHOOL YOUTH ALIVE CLUB

- 1. Start with prayer.** Pray for wisdom, favor with fellow students, parents, and for God's will to be accomplished in and through you.
- 2. Collaborate.** Build your team! Team members should include:
 - » Your youth pastor/leader.
 - » Key students want to help lead the club. This is your core team, and they should share your heart to reach your school.
 - » Students who want to attend/participate in the club—be sure to collect signatures.
 - » A host parent(s). Think of a parent in the homeschool co-op or community who would be willing to allow your club to meet in his or her house. This might be your parents since it is your vision! Ask a parent to help by providing space and time to meet. Keep the club student-led, but ask for this help because you need it. Keep in mind you could also meet at a church, coffee shop, etc.
 - » Plan the club together, including your purpose, time and place of meeting, and core team assignments.
- 3. Promote your club.** When you have a Core Team, and a place and time to meet, promote your club through the proper homeschool channels, as well as through social media and personal invitations.
- 4. Plan and hold your first meeting.** Meet with your core team to plan out your first meeting, as well as your first month's outreach. Be sure to meet with your core team regularly to plan your meetings and outreaches.
- 5. Keep communicating.** It's important to keep information flowing between your core team, club attendees, youth pastor, parents, and others who help with the club.

PRO TIP - COMMUNICATION

Great Communication makes a club work! When communication stops, the club stops being effective and frustration can set in. Follow these tips to have successful communication in your Youth Alive Club:

- 1. Core Team** – Communicate **FREQUENTLY** with your Core Team – The core team will need the most consistent communication. This can be done in person, through text, or any other preferred method. You should be communicating every week,



and probably more than once a week. Be sure to include information important for the regular meetings and activities of the club. Most core teams meet in-person or online outside of the regular club meeting times to plan more effectively. This core team meeting will help you plan the regular club meetings and the details of your outreaches.

- 2. Club Members/Attendees** – Communicate **REGULARLY** with club members/attendees. Those who come to your club will need consistent information about the details of your club. Devise a method for obtaining necessary contact information of first-time attendees and follow up on an ongoing basis. Before every meeting, you should remind club members of the meeting place and time. Include any club updates, outreach opportunities, prayer requests, or other helpful information. In addition to social media posts, a text group or text service (like GroupMe or Remind) can be helpful. You may also consider a group chat on a social network such as Instagram or Discord if you believe it will be effective.
- 3. Donors/Pastors/Parents** – Communicate **WINS AND REQUESTS** with your youth pastor, pastors, key parents, and potential donors. Let them celebrate with you. As you do this, they will probably want to invest more in your club through prayer and other means of assistance.



INTEREST SHEET

We the undersigned are interested in forming and participating in a Youth Alive Club here at _____ (school name). We ask that you consider allowing this club to form as soon as possible.

STUDENT INTEREST:

print name	signature	grade	contact #
1.			
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TEACHER INTEREST:

The undersigned teachers/staff are interested in serving as advisors for this club.

teacher/staff name	signature	contact info
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2.		
3.		



CORE TEAM ASSIGNMENTS

Each member of the core team has an important role to play in making a Youth Alive Movement successful. Pray and have each member of the core team select areas they'd like to serve in. Put your Core Team members on the left side of this document. On the right side is a list of typical areas to serve, and you can add to that list based on the needs of your Movement. Remember that duties can be shared. Under the name of each Core Team member, write the areas they will serve in until all the areas your Movement needs are fulfilled.

Team Member	Areas to Serve
	Necessary for most Movements:
	Communicate with administration / host teacher / location
	Communicate with Movement members
	Advertise (social media, posters, school announcements, etc.)
	Follow-up with new visitors (text, call)
	Plan monthly activities / outreaches
	Optional depending on movement style:
	Write down prayer requests
	Schedule guest speakers
	Communicate with local churches
	Coordinate snacks
	Give a lesson / study / sermon
	Lead worship
	Plan icebreakers / games
	Get donations



EFFECTIVE MEETINGS

4 BIG ACTIONS IN EVERY MEETING

Every Youth Alive Club meeting should have four things to be successful: Prayer, Gospel, Community, and Mission.

- » **Prayer** – Give space for each person to present requests, then pray with faith for God to answer those requests.
- » **Gospel** – Share a short message based on Scripture at each meeting. Be sure to include a presentation of the Gospel and give students the opportunity to place their faith in God.
- » **Community** – Provide the opportunity for Godly community to be experienced by everyone. This can include fun and games, food, giveaways, discussions, and connecting students to the local church.
- » **Mission** – Mission means serving your school and other student groups through outreaches outside of regular club meetings. Take time to discuss and plan your outreaches in each meeting.

MEETING PLAN

Below is a meeting outline that can be helpful to follow as you plan your meetings. You can also create your own meeting outline with your Core Team if it fits your club better. This outline is designed for clubs that have 30-45 minutes to meet. If you have more or less time, adjust the times to fit.

- 1. Start with Community** – Icebreaker/Game. This can be a simple and fun game. It could also be as easy as a creative question everyone answers as you get to know people better. This should take about 5-10 minutes.
- 2. Gospel** – Move into a time of sharing a short message based on Scripture. A club member can do this, or you can invite a guest speaker like your youth pastor to share a message, or you can share the message through a video. Be sure to include a presentation of the Gospel as part of the message or following the message. The Alive in Five is a great way to share the Gospel. Check out the document “Sharing the Gospel at a Movement” to help you. Give your attendees an opportunity to put their faith in God. This should take about 10 minutes.
- 3. Prayer** – Ask if there are any prayer requests, or who would like to receive prayer in the group, then pray for those needs. Pray for any topics brought up during the message, and pray for your school and community. This should take about 5 minutes.



- 4. Mission** – Take time to talk about serving your school and other student groups through your next outreach. Use the Outreach Coaching Guide, Outreach Ideas, and Outreach Planning to help you. This should take 10 minutes.
- 5. End with Community** – Close your time with more community. This can include food, more fun through a game or icebreaker, or an epic discussion. This should take 5-10 minutes.

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YOUTH ALIVE CLUB

MEETING PLANNER

Use this document to help you plan each meeting of your Youth Alive Club. Work with your Core Team ahead of time to make sure everything is covered! If you do this, your meetings will go much better. This planner is designed for a club that has 30-45 minutes to meet. Adjust the times to fit the needs of your club.

Meeting Date:	Leaders for this Meeting:
What do we believe God wants to do in this meeting?	
Icebreaker/Game/Fun (5-10 minutes) What is our opening icebreaker or fun element?	
Gospel (10 minutes) Who is going to share the message and what will they be sharing? Bible Verses Message Response/Faith Invitation	
Prayer (5 minutes) Who will lead the prayer time? Do not forget to take prayer requests and include any special prayer emphasis.	
Mission (10 minutes) What is our next outreach? Use the Outreach Coaching Guide, Outreach Ideas, and Outreach Planning Board.	
Close with Community (5-10 minutes) This can be food, more games, or an epic discussion. What will we do to close?	



OUTREACH COACHING GUIDE

It's important for every Youth Alive Movement to serve others who don't normally come to the Movement meetings as a way of sharing the Gospel. This is called doing an outreach. Use this page to help you think through the outreaches you can do in your school. Doing an outreach can be intimidating, but it doesn't have to be. In fact, the more you do outreaches, the more natural serving others and sharing the Gospel will become. AND the more you serve others, the faster your school will know God loves them and so do you.

We encourage a simple strategy—you don't have to share the Gospel with your whole school at one time, and your outreach doesn't have to be big to be effective. Instead, focus on other small groups that are in your school and serve them. Use the "Outreach Ideas" page to help spark your imagination and answer the questions below to help guide you.

WHO DO WE WANT TO SERVE?

- » What group of people in our school or community do we want to serve?
- » Pray and ask God to guide you. Is there a group of students God has in mind for you to serve?
- » Are there any groups in our school that Movement members are already connected to?
- » Are there groups in our school or community that work hard but don't receive any recognition?
- » Are there subcultures in our school or community God is calling us to serve?
- » Make notes about what God is saying to you:

WHAT WILL WE DO TO SERVE THEM?

- » What do we want to do to show them God loves them, and so does our Movement?
- » What does this group need?
- » What would make this group feel loved and appreciated?
- » What would bless them?
- » What will be worth their time?
- » Make notes about your ideas for serving:



IN WHAT WAY(S) WILL WE SHARE THE GOSPEL?

- » What are some ways we can connect them to God?
- » What options would be best for sharing the Gospel (see the list on the "Outreach Ideas" page.
- » Is it possible for us to pray for that group or with that group?
- » What will we do, send, or give them to connect them to our local church or youth group?

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OUTREACH PLANNING BOARD

Fill this document out for each outreach you want to do. It will help you make sure many of the details are taken care of so you can be successful in sharing Jesus.

<p>What group are we serving?</p>	<p>What are we doing to serve them?</p>
<p>Where and when will this outreach take place? When is the best time for the group we are serving?</p>	<p>Who, from our Movement, will be involved?</p>
<p>Do we need invite/ask this group to serve them? If yes, who will be in charge of communicating with the group we are serving?</p>	<p>What things do we need for this to be successful? Who will be in charge of getting the things we need?</p>
<p>Do we need to advertise this outreach? Who will be in charge of advertising?</p>	<p>Do we need help from parents, youth pastors, etc? Who will ask for help?</p>
<p>What are we going to do to share the Gospel?</p>	<p>Who will be responsible to share the Gospel?</p>
<p>What will we do to invite this group to join our Movement?</p>	<p>What will we do to invite this group to our church?</p>



YOUTH ALIVE CLUB YEARLY PLANNER

	Theme/Big Ideas	Outreach Ideas
September		
October		
November		
December		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		



YOUTH ALIVE CLUB MONTHLY PLANNER

Month: _____

	Write in leader, topic, fun, and message ideas for each week.
Week 1	
Week 2	
Week 3	
Week 4	
Week 5	

OUR OUTREACH FOR THIS MONTH IS:



ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this Youth Alive organization shall be

_____ at _____
Club Name School

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote the spiritual and social life of the students. It shall provide opportunities for discussion, fellowship, the sharing of God's Word, and a strong Christian witness. Any Youth Alive affiliated club or organization shall be evangelistic, service-oriented, and strive to develop a community of support and encouragement for each other.

ARTICLE III. STATEMENT OF MISSION

Youth Alive exists to present Jesus Christ, the message of hope, to every student on every campus.

ARTICLE IV. STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Youth Alive Statement of Faith is adapted from the Constitution of the National Association of Evangelicals, Article III:

- Section 1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.
- Section 2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- Section 3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father and in His personal return in power and glory.
- Section 4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely necessary.
- Section 5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life.
- Section 6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
- Section 7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.



ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. The active membership of this group shall consist of students who regularly attend and participate in Youth Alive meetings.
- Section 2. Any student may be recognized as a member, provided they agree and comply with guidelines stated in the National Youth Alive Constitution.
- Section 3. Members should display a desire to be a positive influence on their campus; a positive attitude toward the school and its administration; and a desire to work with other students in a united effort to build better students.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICER ELECTIONS

Any student actively involved in the Youth Alive organization may run for an office, provided they are in compliance with the Statement of Faith (Article IV) and abide by the requirements listed below.

These officers shall form the Youth Alive Council, which shall consist of no fewer than three members: President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer.

- Section 1. All officers shall be elected by a majority vote at an annual business meeting.
- Section 2. The term of each office shall be the length of one year and shall commence with the first regular meeting after the annual business meeting.
- Section 3. All elected officers are expected to be examples of a Christian lifestyle.
- Section 4. All elected officers are expected to be actively involved in a local church.
- Section 5. All elected officers are expected to pursue the advancement of the gospel on campus and provide opportunities and activities to win young people to Christ.

ARTICLE VII. OFFICER DUTIES

Each officer shall be responsible for fulfilling his/her duties as listed below.

- Section 1. President: This officer will serve as the official Youth Alive delegate to all school administrative and leadership functions. This role will chair and coordinate all business and club meetings, as well as the scheduling of speakers. He/she will be responsible for presenting potential candidates for all offices at the annual business meeting.
- Section 2. Vice-President: Will assume the responsibility of all duties of the President

in the event of his/her absence. At the discretion of the President, this person may also be responsible for other activities.

Section 3. Secretary/Treasurer: The duties will include student correspondence, coordination of meeting locations, overseeing meeting set-up and tear down, maintaining and presenting all financial records, renewal of Youth Alive annual charter, and any fundraising or advertising.

ARTICLE VIII. FACULTY ADVISOR

The Youth Alive Council shall select the Faculty Advisor. This individual shall be in compliance with the Statement of Faith, as stated in Article IV, of the National Youth Alive Constitution.

ARTICLE IX. OFFICER VACANCY

Section 1. In the event of an officer vacancy, a special business meeting shall be called for the purpose of electing a successor.

Section 2. The special business meeting shall be called by the remaining Youth Alive Council, two weeks prior to the election.

Section 3. The special business meeting and election(s) shall take place on the earliest date possible of that school year.

ARTICLE X. OFFICER REMOVAL

Officers failing to abide by Article IV and VI of the National Youth Alive Constitution shall be required to resign from their office. Failure to do so shall result in immediate removal from that position under the following guidelines:

Section 1. Complaints against individual student officers shall be registered with the local Youth Alive Council. It is recommended that the Faculty Advisor and the accused's spiritual advisor serve in conjunction with the Youth Alive Council as the Review Committee that will render the final decision.

Section 2. The Review Committee will consider all complaints to determine their validity and will act accordingly.

Section 3. The accused officer shall be afforded the opportunity to discuss the charges with the Review Committee prior to any final decision.

ARTICLE XI. COMMITTEES

Committees shall be formed by the Youth Alive Council to advance and support the mission of Youth Alive for the campus.



Section 1. Each officer shall chair a committee.

Section 2. Various Youth Alive members shall be selected to facilitate a committee under the discretion of the Youth Alive Council.

ARTICLE XII. RELATIONSHIPS

Section 1. The Youth Alive club shall show the Faculty Advisor the respect due him/her as a school representative.

Section 2. The Youth Alive club shall seek to maintain a good working relationship with other local and state Youth Alive clubs and the national Youth Alive office. This local club shall seek a Youth Alive charter, thus affiliating it both at a national and statewide level. This relationship will serve as a basis for encouragement, help, and resources.

ARTICLE XIII. MEETINGS

Section 1. An annual business meeting of this Youth Alive organization shall be conducted.

Section 2. The Youth Alive Council shall have the power to select the date of regularly scheduled meetings. Every attempt shall be made to hold at least one regular meeting on a weekly basis during that school year.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT

The National Youth Alive Constitution may be amended, with the exception of Articles II, III, IV, and V. Any amending contrary to the statements of these Articles may result in a revocation of a club's national Youth Alive charter.

Section 1. Business meetings shall be the forum in which the amending process shall occur.

Section 2. A two-thirds majority vote of Youth Alive members present is required for approval of any amendment.

Section 3. All proposed amendments shall be read at any regular meeting, at least fifteen days prior to any approval.