

**Y.A. Townhall Meeting
September 20, 2009**

John's Notes

What HLA are doing well.

- Fellowship after service

- Worship

- Investment in youth

- Staying/Continuing onto @ Ya from Turf

- Open communication

- Bonding events

- Henry ting CE time

1-5 Years change

- Generation gap bridging growth → leader burnout cells new leaders → leaders

Suggestions:

- More bonding events

Sandy's Notes

What is harvest LA doing well?

- family ministry- families feel fed and are consistent
- college aged people who grew up together have strong bonds
- guys bond well
- children's ministry

Young adult ministry in 1-5 yrs?

- church opening up to new young adults is important
- need to mentor younger kids who will be young adults in the future
- set good example for them so that they don't grow up and feel stuck

What topics cater to young adults?

- identity
- calling/purpose
- mentorship (mentoring ppl and being mentored)
- fellowship (how to balance serving and having fellowship)
- intellectual convos

Homegroup

- our church uses different models of outreach
- need cell groups
- need ppl in two life stages above (married with kids) to mentor us
- feel pressure to serve
- divided because we are serving (need to sacrifice fellowship if serving)
- need to build sustainable young adults fellowship by setting good examples for younger kids

Serving

- not enough ppl serving
- responsibility rests on young adults
- congregation doesn't know there's a need
- ppl drained should step down

Saturday service

- disconnects us?
- should be intimate safe fellowship
- if struggling personally, homegroup and cellgroups will help ppl more than a service

Contact

- who do we talk to about young adults if we have concerns? eddie or david?

What team members wanted to add:

"I was gonna say that EFCLA is good at bringing people together, but at the same time, we're so close that we sometimes fail to include newcomers or people who don't really fit in. But I guess we talked about that already"

"also, maybe include the part about how it's beneficial for young adults to still be connected to the rest of the groups at church (even if they have different needs).. that way they'll be able to connect with the generations above and below them.

and i guess an additional thought on top of this one that just came to me, that even if young adults aren't particularly interested in kids or a family style church, the young adult population is still one of the body parts of the church and they have a functional purpose in the body.. so we/they have to work on figuring out how to both meet their personal needs and and find their purpose in the church"

Arthur's Notes

What is going well

Homegroups

-consistency

-leadership

-direction

-topical

Needs improvements:

lack of accountability

worship

Young adult teaching/message

We don't aim for excellence

We're too complacent

Our attitude when we come before Christ

worship extends through every aspect of our lives

Topical/series for Sunday

Lack of help/commitment

Extend a hand of welcome, better notification of progress/events

update information on church website

Monthly events for young adult (joint)

homegroups + Friday night + Sunday

Vulnerability – engage in building relationship

Advisor qualification