

Family Group Leaders

The BSU Mission Statement is “To Know Christ and to Make Him Known”. That is also my desire for you as a family group leader. I not only want you to be growing in your relationship with Christ, I want you to be investing in the students who are coming behind you. The role of family group leader is very important and very dear to my heart. As a leader, you will have the opportunity to invest in a small group of 10-12 students throughout their first semester at Mississippi State. This is vital for their spiritual development as well as their acclimation to campus and/or college life.

Please review the responsibilities and spend some time in prayer about applying to be a family group leader. Think about the people who have made an investment in you. Think about the people who have not made an investment in you. Think about the students you could impact by choosing to take them under your wing and encourage them in their walk with the Lord.

Being a family group leader comes with some major responsibilities and your role as a discipler, encourager, teacher, and friend to new students should not be taken lightly. I want you to understand that being a family group leader requires a great deal of time and energy. It involves leading weekly Bible studies, preparing for those Bible studies, planning and organizing social events outside of Bible study, and developing one-on-one relationships with the students in your group throughout the semester. You should be prepared to spend 3-5 hours per week preparing/participating in family group activities. I will ask that you seriously consider what I am asking of you as a family group leader. I do not want to deter anyone from applying, I simply want you to understand (from the beginning) the commitment that being a family group leader involves. If this is something that you cannot commit to with 100% certainty, then I ask you to refrain from applying. If you are willing to commit whole-heartedly, please complete the application and follow through with the interview. If you have questions, or need further explanation of expectations/responsibilities, please do not hesitate to contact me in person, by phone at 662-323-5761, or via email at ashleyftaylor@yahoo.com.

Family Group Leader Responsibilities:

- **Meet once a week one-on-one OR with 3-4 other family group leaders and an adult mentor for discipleship training. (Approximately 1 hour/week)**
- **Disciple students in your group weekly through Bible Study, social functions, and one-on-one meetings.**
- **Coordinate and lead your family group on a mission project during the weekend of November 5-7. (More details to follow)**
- **Complete weekly assignments such as phone calls, note writing, evaluations, etc. as assigned by Ashley**
- **Meet for family group leader training session on Sunday, March 28.**

***Applications are due by Tuesday, March 9. Interviews will be held on Thursday, March 11.**

***All applicants must sign up for an interview on the Interview Sheet posted on the glass window outside the BSU office.**

***Family Group Leaders will be announced no later than Tuesday, March 23.**

***There will be a training session for all family group leaders on Sunday, March 28th at the BSU. (2:00 p.m. – until)**

Family Group Leader Application

MSU Baptist Student Union

*Applications are due **Tuesday, March 9th**. All applicants will need to sign up for an interview time.

The Interview Schedule is posted on the glass window outside of the BSU office.

Interviews will be held **Thursday, March 11th**.

Name: _____ Cell: () _____

Date of Birth: _____ Current Age: _____

Email: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____ Classification: _____

Local Address: _____

Home Church: _____

Activities in which you are involved at your home church: _____

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Have you ever been a member of a family group? _____

If so, who were your group leaders? _____

Have you ever been a family group leader before? _____

If so, when? _____ Who was your partner? _____

If selected to serve as a family group leader, would you want to work with your partner again? YES NO DOESN'T MATTER

This year, our desire is to provide ALL BSU students the opportunity to be a part of a family group. Would you be willing to lead a group of current MSU students who do not participate in BASIC? Yes No

The idea is that these groups would operate just like the other family groups with a few minor changes. Essentially, you would participate in BASIC as a family group leader; however, you would not lead a group during BASIC. You would not know who is in your group until a week or so later; however, your group would still participate in weekly Bible studies, social events, mission projects, etc.)

Expectations of all family group leaders:

- Is committed to Jesus Christ as Lord
- Is actively involved in a local church
- Has a lifestyle that reflects a genuine commitment to Christ
- Abstains from the use of alcohol or illegal drugs
- Abstains from any questionable sexual behavior and seeks a life of purity and holiness

Is there anything in your life currently, if made known, would hinder your witness or be an embarrassment to our ministry or the group you represent?

____ YES ____ NO If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

As a family group leader, you are expected to attend/participate in the following events:

- Family Group Leader Training—March 28 at BSU (2 p.m.-until)
- Leadership Training Conference—April 9-10 at MC
- Leader Orientation and BASIC Training—August 11-15
- Lead your family group during BASIC Training—August 16-17
- Participate in a Family Group Dodge Ball Tournament/BSU Day of Fun—August 28 (tentative date)
- College Student Conference—September 25-26
- Plan, organize, and lead your family group on a weekend mission project—November 5-7

REFERENCES

Please complete the following section and turn it in with your application by Tuesday, March 9.

NAME: _____

Reference #1 – Pastor (Local or Home)

Name _____

Email address _____

Phone Number () _____ Cell () _____

Reference #2 – Student Minister or Sunday School Teacher (Local or Home)

Name _____

Email address _____

Phone Number () _____ Cell () _____

Reference #3 – Friend

Name _____

Email address _____

Phone Number () _____ Cell () _____