

“YOUNG LIFE ...  
IS FOR QUARTERBACKS AND  
POTHEADS, PREPS AND  
ALTERNATIVE KIDS,  
FURTHEST-OUT KIDS,  
DISINTERESTED KIDS  
WHO OTHER FOLKS PASS OVER  
OR FORGET, KIDS OTHER  
FOLKS ARE INTIMIDATED BY  
OR HAVE GIVEN UP ON.  
WE’RE FOR EVERY KID.”

– YOUNG LIFE LEADER

## DO YOU KNOW KIDS LIKE THIS?

### MAYBE IT’S FOR YOU, TOO

#### VOLUNTEER OR STAFF

Teachers in Mission are invited to join Young Life in a variety of capacities. Most volunteer their time, helping with club, or serving as a leader or team leader for their school. You can work with parents and community supporters on Young Life committee or you can serve on part-time staff.

A Young Life staff role for Teachers in Mission is a paid, after-school position allowing you to develop and lead a Young Life ministry in your school. The pay is roughly equivalent to a coach’s salary, but the pay and the responsibilities continue year round.

Paid or unpaid, the rewards of working with kids in a teacher-led ministry are life-changing – for the kids and you.

## LIFE LESSONS

Young Life knows kids. We know they long for friendship, fun, adventure and a sense of significance.

So we hang out with them and build relationships. *(We call this contact work.)* We invite them to crazy, fun-filled gatherings that kids call the best night of their week. *(We call it club.)* And we hope that each one will experience adventure and awe as they encounter the person of Jesus Christ during the best week of their lives. *(We call it Young Life camp.)* If they want to go deeper, we offer a Bible study, as well as opportunities for service and leadership development. *(We call this Campaigners.)*

It’s Young Life’s core curriculum for lessons in life – “life to the full.”



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TEACHERS  
IN MISSION

where kids are



# WHERE KIDS ARE

Since 1941 Young Life leaders have gone to kids, entering their world to build authentic friendships. Over time leaders earn the right to be heard and, in friendship, share with kids the life-changing love God offers us in the person of Jesus Christ.

Imagine a teacher sharing these truths with students he or she has come to know and care for. That's a lesson that extends beyond the classroom and far into a student's future. It's a life lesson teachers are uniquely qualified to give.

# WHERE YOU ARE

As a person of faith and an educator in your school system you already have:

- Relationships with kids
- Experience connecting with kids
- Compassion for kids and an understanding of what they need most
- Knowledge of school policies
- Respect of school administrators, parents and the community

**You** are a person of influence with an opportunity to impact students' lives forever.

Jim Rayburn, Young Life's founder, said, "Within a mile of every school in America are enough people who love Jesus and care about teenagers to reach that school for Christ."

**You're already there.**



# IN A WORLD OF KIDS

As a teacher, tutor, coach or administrator, you have a window into the world of kids not available to most adults.

You see the hurts and hearts of kids. You know their triumphs and struggles. And you can witness firsthand what happens when kids grasp the vision God has for them and their lives.

# HOW YOU FIT

Teachers in Mission is Young Life's vehicle for identifying, training and empowering middle and high school professionals to serve Christ and kids as a Young Life leader.

You entered education because of a calling to kids in schools. Through Young Life you can integrate your faith and life's work, living out your own purpose in Christ as you help kids discover theirs.

**"IT'S A GREAT GIFT TO WORK WITH SCHOOL KIDS EVERY DAY. I GET THE PRIVILEGE OF LOVING KIDS NOT BASED ON THEIR PERFORMANCE, THEIR CLEVERNESS, THEIR INTELLIGENCE OR THEIR ABILITY – BUT BASED SIMPLY AND WONDERFULLY ON WHO THEY ARE AND WHO THEY ARE CREATED TO BE."**

– HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER

Teachers in Mission enter the school campus respectful of school policies and secure in the freedom and protections they have to express their personal faith when acting outside of their official school capacity.

# FOR EVERY KID

Young Life is designed to meet kids where they are – wherever that might be.

**Young Life** is who we are and also what we call our ministry to high school students. **WyldLife** is Young Life's ministry to middle school students.

**Young Life College** is for college and university students. We serve teen moms through our ministry called **YoungLives**, and kids and

young adults with disabilities through our **Capernaum** ministry. In a partnership with Military Community Youth Ministries, Young Life reaches **military teens** through a program called Club Beyond. Young Life meets kids in diverse and under-served

communities through our **Multicultural** ministry, as well as kids in **small towns**.

Young Life has nearly 5,000 ministries in more than 50 countries around the world.

