



DISCIPLESHIP

“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers...” 1 Timothy 4:12



At NELA Youth, we believe true ministry is more than a moment—it is relationship. Discipleship is not simply leading a child to pray a prayer or watching them get baptized, though we celebrate those life-changing moments. Discipleship is walking beside young people day after day, helping them grow and showing them what it means to follow Jesus in everyday life.

Many of the children and teens we serve have accepted Christ and publicly declared their faith through baptism, and we thank God for every changed heart. But salvation is only the beginning of the journey.

Today’s youth face confusion, pressure, broken homes, violence, identity struggles, anxiety, and spiritual darkness. They need more than a weekly church service—they need consistent, loving, godly people who will walk beside them through life.

Jesus discipled through relationship. He walked with people, taught them, encouraged them, corrected them, and showed them how to live. That is the model we strive to follow at NELA Youth. We believe real impact happens through consistency—through conversations, prayers, encouragement, laughter, Bible study, and simply showing up again and again.

We also believe in raising leaders. As our youth grow older, they are given more leadership roles and responsibilities, helping lead outreach activities, serving others, mentoring younger kids, and learning to lead by example. We want them to know God can use them right now to make a difference.

Our goal is to help raise lifelong disciples of Christ who know they are loved, valued, and created with purpose.

Thank you for praying for, supporting, and believing in the mission of NELA Youth as we continue restoring hope, raising leaders, and staying rooted in Christ.

Andrea Jones & the NELA Youth team



HIGHLIGHTS

- At our May outreach, we learned about Jonah and the whale and how God called Jonah to show compassion to the people of Nineveh. We talked about loving and showing kindness to others, even when it is difficult.
- We are also seeing our small group Bible studies make a real impact. Through prayer, honest conversations, and God's Word, many of our youth are growing spiritually while also showing positive benefits in their mental wellness and confidence.
- 🎉 Fruit Rewards Winners... CONGRATS to Jasmine, Myracle, Malaysia, Ivy, Myiah, Seven, Fatman, Dmo, and MacKenzie P.! We celebrated with a fun pool party and pizza day, and we are proud of the leadership these kids are showing!



PRAYER: Father God, Thank You for every child and teen You have entrusted to NELAYOUTH. Help us disciple them with love, patience, wisdom, and truth as we walk beside them through life's struggles and victories. Strengthen the youth facing brokenness, anxiety, pressure, and confusion. Remind them they are loved, valued, and created with purpose. Raise up strong young leaders who will serve others, stand firm in their faith, and shine for You. Protect their hearts and guide their futures as we continue restoring hope, raising leaders, and staying rooted in Christ. In Jesus' name, Amen.

NELAYOUTH is a mobile, Christ-centered nonprofit dedicated to mentoring and restoring some of the most vulnerable children in our region. We meet them right where they are, bringing hope into places marked by brokenness and guiding them toward healing and identity in Christ.

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

- PRAYER FOR THE KIDS
- Volunteer at our monthly outreach meetings
- Pizza (10-12) donation for our Sat. outreach
- Gas cards
- Snack size chips & drinks
- Financial donations