

# Transit 2012

Mentors, this Saturday morning you will be joining us as we conclude our Transit weekend. Please try to arrive by 10:45 AM so we can get started as close to 11AM as we can. You will be sitting in a circle with the student, his or her parent(s) and the other mentors in the group. Ultimately, this will be a time of affirmation for the student. I will begin the ceremony portion with a few words and let you jump in. We will begin with a question for the student, **“Discuss highlights and difficulties of this school year.”** Remember these are still 5<sup>th</sup> graders and might be slightly intimidated by the group and that is okay. Help draw some discussion out of them. Secondly, **“what are your biggest fears going into the next year and what are you most excited about?”**

Now it's your turn as a mentor to give this student a blessing. **Share with the student the Godly qualities you see in this student. Then you will give them a charge to follow Christ and remain faithful to Him.** Your charge will focus on 6 specific areas that we will target in on over the next seven years, Integrity, Purity, Faith, Hope, Love, Family. Parents if you would like divide these 6 up between the mentors and you and each person focus on one or two topics. (ie. For a boy the dad could cover Purity & family, mom could take love and the mentors could choose one of the remaining.) Finally, you will share your **hope and prayer for *this student* as they go through junior high/high school.**

The purpose is to affirm, challenge and connect with the student as they begin the next phase of this journey.

## For the Students:

- Discuss highlights and difficulties of this school year.
- What are your biggest fears going into the next year and what are you most excited about?

## Parents & Mentor

- Share with the student the Godly qualities you see in this student.
- Then you will give them a charge to follow Christ and remain faithful to Him.
  - Integrity
  - Purity
  - Faith
  - Hope
  - Love
  - Family
- What is your hope and prayer for *this student* as they go through junior high/high school.

Because of the Cross,

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