

# Juvenile Justice Ministries

*YFC reaches young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to the Word of God and prayer, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement.*

## What is JJM?

JJM is an effective ministry to reach teens in a variety of youth-serving institutions (i.e. detention centers, probation, correctional facilities, group homes, residential treatment centers, emergency shelters, etc.) Our strategy is to help young people develop a way of living taught by Jesus Christ; balancing the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual aspects of life. We build valued relationships that are sustained through ongoing involvement as they re-enter their communities.

## Why JJM?

We believe JJM is effective in reaching high risk teens in their world. It gives us strategic tools to pursue the thousands of young people experiencing the challenges of incarceration, abandonment, addictions, and abuse in institutions and programs all over the United States.

### 3Story®

JJM focuses heavily upon relational evangelism. We teach and model “3Story.” 3Story is a way of life that guides followers of Christ to BE good news while telling stories of THE good news. It is natural, friendly, and freeing – as you abide in Christ, His love flows through you to others as you journey together.

### The 5 ESSENTIALS

All YFC ministry sites, including JJM sites, are judged by the vitality of the 5 Essentials needed to bring about real change in a young person’s life. They include:

- 1. Widespread Prayer** We deliberately engage lots of Christians to intercede on behalf of the ministry site.
- 2. Loving Relationships** We consistently pursue lost kids & engage them in life-long relationships with Jesus.
- 3. Faithful Bible Teaching** We accurately handle Biblical truth, regularly coaching kids to apply it in their lives.
- 4. Collaborative Community Strategy** We intentionally work together with local churches, agencies and other partners to provide sustainable youth and family ministry.
- 5. Adults Who Empower** We strategically develop leaders to reach young people from every people group.

## What are JJM’s focal points?

### 1. Balanced Programming

Using outreach, bible study, small group programming, and personal mentoring to meet the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual needs in a young person’s life.

### 2. Frequent Connections

Entering into a youth’s world to build healthy relationships and model Christ-like behavior on a frequent and ongoing basis.

### 3. One-on-One Contacts

Meeting individually with a young person to provide personal attention and focus on specific needs.

### 4. Aftercare

Creating systems and structure for sustained relationships to help teens successfully re-enter their communities.

