



5.G.H. – Fifth Grade Helper

I AM: COMMITTED

- to God – I will spend time each day reading the Bible and worshipping God.
- to my parents – I will be respectful to them at home and in public.
- to being in Elevate – I will attend at least 75% of Wednesday and Sunday services
- to the other 5th Grade Helpers – I will show up, work hard, and not let my teammates down.

WILLING

- to try new things – I will try working in different areas of the church so I can see what I really enjoy doing (tech, check in, serving other ministries, band, drama/dance, lesson support, office time, etc.)
- to help out – I will look around for things that need to get done and will help without being asked.
- to learn– I will listen to my parents and Pastor Sean as they help me to learn how I can serve in a better way, or how I can develop my relationship with Christ.

A GOOD COMMUNICATOR

- to my parents – I will tell them about all events and meetings for the 5th grade helper program as soon as possible so they have enough time to arrange for transportation. I will let them know how I am doing at school, at church, and in my friendship with God.
- to Pastor Sean– I will tell him as soon as possible if I can't make it to a certain meeting, service, or practice. I will e-mail him (ssweet@destinyrocklin.com), text him, call him, or leave him messages (916-595-0451) during the week. On Sunday morning or Wednesday night, I will try not to tell Pastor Sean things that he needs to remember.☺ I will also let him know how I am doing in my friendship with God, peers, family, and authorities (such as teachers).

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Student Signature

Date

5.G.H. Agreement

Purposes:

- **SKILLS:** For each preteen to develop his or her leadership and service skills, and to begin exploring ministry opportunities and developing his or her gifts and talents.
- **SPIRITUAL GROWTH:** For each preteen to understand the mentality and attitude with which Christ wants him or her to serve.
- **RELATIONSHIP DEVELOPMENT:** For each preteen to develop a stronger relationship with Christ, families, the authorities, and friends.
- **PURPOSE AND RELATIONSHIP:** For each preteen to become an active part of the Body of Christ and to understand the importance of his or her active participation in the Church.

Responsibilities and Expectations:

- I. Make God and church the priority in their lives.
- II. Must attend 75% of Elevate services, including both Sunday services and Wednesday.
- III. If they are unable to attend a service, inform Pastor Sean at least one week in advance - except in cases of emergencies.
- IV. Attend practices as needed.
- V. Set an example during services by participating in worship, inviting and welcoming new kids, contributing to small group discussions, and having positive attitudes.
- VI. Attend 5th Grade helper meetings. These meetings are during the 9am Sunday Service, and include components of group building, leadership training, spiritual development, skill training, and individual “check-ins”.
- VII. Attend as many 5GH “FUN EVENTS” as your schedule allows. These are not mandatory, but do help in creating stronger team cohesion among the 5GH.
- VIII. 5GH Part A only: Serve 2 times on a week day in setting up and preparation of the Elevate room.
- IX. 5GH Part B only: Serve 3 hours for another ministry at Destiny. This will have to be done at a time that your preteen schedules with the leader of that ministry.

FIFTH GRADE HELPERS:

I have read and understand the purposes, responsibilities, and expectations of Fifth Grade Helpers. I understand that these are now **MY** purposes, responsibilities, and expectations. I am excited about strengthening my relationship with God by serving others in His Name. I understand that the more effort and energy I put into this program, the more I will get out of it. If I ever have any problems with or questions about the Fifth Grade Helper program, I will talk to my parents and Pastor Sean.

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PARENTS:

I will encourage and guide my preteen as he/she achieves the purposes, responsibilities and expectations of being a Fifth Grade Helper. I am excited about my child strengthening his/her relationship with God through ministry. I will keep a clear line of communication open between myself and Pastor Sean regarding my preteen's participation in the program.

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PASTOR SEAN:

I will provide leadership and guidance to Fifth Grade Helpers as they work towards the purposes, responsibilities, and expectations of the program. I am excited about preteens strengthening their relationship with God through ministry. I will keep a clear line of communication open between myself and parents regarding their preteen's participation in the program.

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New Fifth Grade Helpers Only: Use this or another paper to write a letter to Pastor Sean explaining:

- *Why you'd like to be a Fifth Grade Helper*
- *What you can add to Elevate by being a part of the 5GH program*
- *What you most want to learn to do*
- *What you think it means to be a leader*