

JAM's Mission

The purpose of Jam is to equip Middle School students to share their faith with their friends. Jam is designed for students and their youth leaders who know Jesus as their Savior, who are living their life according to the Word of God, and who have a desire to serve God and others. Jam provides hands- on ministry training so that students can advance the cause of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Gospel, by building up other Christians, and by using God-given gifts. We believe that God is pleased when believers work together to build partnerships for the glory of God and we are willing, when called upon, to give up certain rights or customs that are familiar to us in order to minister in a culture that is distinct from our own. We are not willing to bend or change what we believe to be Scriptural absolutes. We also believe that God can use Middle School students in a very powerful way.

JAM's Doctrinal Statement

- We believe in the divine inspiration and authority of the Scriptures. By this is meant a miraculous guidance of the Holy Spirit in their original writing, extending to all parts of the Scriptures equally, applying even to the choice of words, so that the result is the very Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Moreover, it is our conviction that God has exercised such singular care and providence through the ages in preserving the written Word, that the Scriptures as we now have them are in every essential particular as originally given and contain all things necessary to salvation.
- We believe in the one God revealed as eternally existing in three equal persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. We believe in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit as a divine person, a personality distinct from the Father and the Son.
- We believe that man was created in the image of God, that he sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death but also that spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature and, in case of those who reach moral responsibility, become sinners in thought, word and deed. And with such a nature, they are incapable of producing anything acceptable to God.
- We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary, and is true God and true man. We believe that He died for the sins of men as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice and that His death was a sufficient expiation for the guilt of all men. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, in His ascension into heaven and in His present life there for us as High Priest and Advocate.
- We believe that men are justified by grace through faith, on the ground of the shed blood of Christ, and that all who receive the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God.
- We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting conscious blessedness of the saved and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost.

- We believe that it is the supreme responsibility of believers to testify to the saving power of Christ's gospel, both personally and by proxy, at home and to the uttermost part of the earth.
- We believe that it is the duty of each believer to live a holy life unto God, keeping himself unspotted from the world, and that it is God's intention that this shall be accomplished in the believer's life by his constant dependence on the divine enablement of the indwelling Holy Spirit. We believe that this experience of deliverance from sin and empowerment for service is designated in the Scriptures as the filling with the Spirit rather than His baptism. Thus the baptism with the Spirit is not an experience to be sought subsequent to regeneration, but is already an accomplished fact.

JAM's Code of Conduct

All Jammers (students and adults) are expected to support and encourage others to support the following guidelines during Jam.

1. We will use our words to build others up.
2. We will respect others and their belongings by entering only the dorm rooms that we are invited into. Under no circumstances will guys enter girls rooms or girls enter guys rooms.
3. We will attend all scheduled meetings and activities. Cell phones will be turned off during meetings so that no one is distracted by talking, rings, or text messages.
4. This is a ministry weekend. We are here to serve. It goes without saying that pranks and practical jokes are not appropriate. If you see someone who is losing focus, please encourage them to focus on our mission.
5. We will enthusiastically support the curfew because we know that we need our sleep in order to have the energy that is necessary for serving.
6. We will never go anywhere off campus alone. Always inform your leaders of where you are going.
7. Because of the unique ministry setting in which we will be operating, we understand that all Jammers should wear clothing that is modest in appearance. All shoulders and bellies should be covered. Shorts should be of modest length.
8. To protect the facilities, please treat them with respect. Shoes with non-marking soles should be worn in the gymnasium and no food or drink is permitted in the gym.

Name of Church/Organization: _____

Name of Leader: _____

As the representative leader of our group, I hereby acknowledge that our group is in complete Agreement with the JAM Mission, Doctrinal Statement, and Code of Conduct.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you have questions about the JAM Mission, Doctrinal Statement, or Code of Conduct, please contact Matt McAlack at 215.702.4285 or mmcalack@cairn.edu.