

Christian Visitation

Pathfinder Honor



Video Instructions

- Since we are currently in a very unique time, and some of the honor requirements may not be possible due to the current pandemic situation, we have come up with some alternative requirement suggestions. Watch the video here:



Honor Worksheets



- Fill out this worksheet and present it to your director to receive your patch. If you are not a member of a Pathfinder club, or if you have any questions about this honor, contact outreachfair@gmail.com.
- English worksheet:
- <https://drive.google.com/open?id=12bcNtjxek9K-e7vas6lOMlvOAkVZdfK>
- Spanish worksheet:
- https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Obud_GNR1QJ4HpzXkWKJmgV5uhk_Wvt6S

1. Define Christian Visitation

Read some of the linked articles (the box on the right is linked to the full [article](#)) or do some searching to find a definition of Christian Visitation.

Our first parents had the privilege to be visited in their personal habitat: "They were visited by angels, and were granted communion with their Maker, with no obscuring veil between." After Adam and Eve disobeyed God, they did not receive a convocation but a visit. He came on a visit at the cool of the day (Gen. 3:8). This was God's opening strategy to reach out to unfaithful humanity. The culmination of the redemption plan was also actualized through the visitation of His very Son to planet earth. Visitation is engraved in the interaction of God with humanity.

God follows a distinctive pattern during visitation. In reference to the account of Genesis 3, God visits to give an opportunity for those visited to speak out (v. 9-10), to provide a word of instruction (v. 16-19), to attend to existing needs (v.21) and to share a word of hope (v.15). Is the practice of visitation limited to God, the Invisible Guest, or does it stand as a model for His co-workers?

<https://www.ministrymagazine.org/archive/1957/06/importance-of-the-ministry-of-visitation>

<https://mintools.com/visitation-ministry.htm>

<https://network.crcna.org/elders/home-visit-preparation-guidelines>



2. As a member of the church family, what are your responsibilities with regards to other members?

Read the articles or verses linked below or do some searching on your own to find out your responsibilities.

https://www.army.mil/article/85225/commentary_christians_have_duty_towards_others

<https://www.christiantoday.com/article/5-bible-verses-showing-the-responsibilities-of-a-christian-the-ambassador-of-christ/88518.htm>

<http://www.campuschristians.info/bible-studies/what-is-our-role-and-responsibility-to-one-another-as-christians-in-the-family-of-god/>

<https://www.compellingtruth.org/Bible-responsibility.html>



3. Discuss with a group the spiritual benefits of Christian visitation from the following perspectives:

a. Spiritual Growth

b. Personal Growth

How does visiting someone in need help your own spiritual growth? In what ways does it help you grow personally? What about for the person that you are visiting?



4. Discover how to utilize Christian visitation as a tool for church health and determine how your church can utilize this information.



<http://www.mychurchgrowth.com/library/how2/visitation.php>

5. Discover how your local church can create and utilize a list of sick and homebound members. With a group, discuss and evaluate the types of undertakings that are in place to address their needs.



6. Discuss with a group the biblical context of four of the following texts as they relate to Christian visitation.

a. Matthew 25:36

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+25%3A36&version=NKJV>

b. James 5:13-16

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+5%3A13-16&version=NKJV>

c. Galatians 5:14

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+5%3A14&version=NKJV>

d. 1 John 3:17

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+John+3%3A17&version=NKJV>

e. James 1:27

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=James+1%3A27&version=NKJV>

f. Philippians 2:4

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Philippians+2%3A4&version=NKJV>

g. Or a text of your choice



7. Briefly describe the following five main aspects of visitation:

- a. Listening
- b. Praying
- c. Reading the Bible
- d. Helping/serving
- e. Presence




8. Briefly describe the following types of visitations:

- a. Soul winning
- b. Hospital
- c. Sick
- d. Homebound
- e. Welcome
- f. Inactive member
- g. Discouraged



9. Role play two of the visitations in the previous requirement.

Be creative!



I CAN DO
All things
THROUGH *Christ*
WHO STRENGTHENS
=me=

PHILIPPIANS 4:13



10. Read Matthew 9:18-35. Briefly describe the interaction Jesus had with those He encountered who were sick. What was His reaction towards them?

Link to online text:

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+9%3A18-35&version=NKJV>



11. With a group, organize a special program that places emphasis on the love of Christ. Visit a facility where people would enjoy knowing that someone cares enough to come and present a program.



12. With a group, develop an effective worship experience that can minister to someone facing the following situations:

1. Able or unable to communicate
2. With or without a mental deficit





13. Briefly describe the following types of behavior required when planning your visit:

- a. Go two-by-two
- b. Know the names of those who will be visited
- c. Be respectful and courteous
- d. Be positive and encouraging
- e. Be sensitive and peaceful
- f. Avoid talking too much
- g. Be clean and neat





14. Plan and visit someone who is homebound. Use your creative worship experience developed in requirement 12.



15. Plan and visit a member of your Pathfinder club or your church who has not attended for an extended period of time.

JOSHUA 1:9

HAVE I NOT COMMANDED YOU?
BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS.
DO NOT BE AFRAID;
DO NOT BE DISCOURAGED,
FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL BE WITH YOU
WHEREVER YOU GO.”



The End!

Don't forget to request your patch!



Upload pictures and projects to share here:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/838xe3X3EwQdCaHZ9>



If you are a member of a Pathfinder club:

Submit your worksheet to your Pathfinder director and ask them to order your patch.

If you are not a member of a Pathfinder club:

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Staff and instructor resources:

[http://wiki.pathfindersonline.org/w/Adventist Youth Honors Answer Book/Outreach/Christian Visitation](http://wiki.pathfindersonline.org/w/Adventist_Youth_Honors_Answer_Book/Outreach/Christian_Visitation)