**FBC Youth Emphasis for 2016-17**

**A Disciple is:**

**Girded in the Word** (**Monday**: Boys Room – Zach, Matt, Jacob)

Gird – to fasten something tightly with a belt or band, to surround or encircle

 **Healthy Practices**: Personal and Group Study, Scripture Memory

Biblical References: Deuteronomy 6: 4-9, 30:11-16, Psalm 119:11, 105, Proverbs 23:12, Hebrews 4:12

**Worshipping Well** (Tuesday: Emily and Ravynn)

Worship – Abbr. of Worth Ship, expressing God’s worthiness, returning thanks and praise for what he has done.

 **Healthy Practices**: Personal time of Prayer and worship, Worship with other Believers, Being a Living Sacrifice – Romans 12:1-2

Biblical References: Psalm 150, Colossians 3:16, I Thessalonians 5:16-18

**Socially Strong and Strengthened** (Wednesday: Faith, Reagan and Kayla)

 **Healthy Practices:** Hang with those who have your best interest at heart (safety, purity, character), Seek to mentor and be mentored, Seek healthy accountability

**S.S.S. Principals with Biblical References:**

Who influences you matters! Proverbs 13:20

Who you influence matters! Matthew 5: 13-16

Who you hang out with Matters! I Corinthians 15:33

How you respond in social situations Matters! What you say about your friends when they’re not around Matters! Deuteronomy 5:20, Proverbs 11:13, 16:28, 26:20-28, Matthew 26:57-68

What kind of Friend You are Matters! Proverbs 17:17, John 15:13, I John 3:16

**Mission Minded** (Thursday: Reilly, Sarah and Lucy)

 **Healthy Practices:** Discover your God given gifts and abilities and develop them for the Kingdom, seek ways to be in service in and out of the church.

Do you want to be fulfilled in life? Seek God’s purpose for it. Matthew 6:33, Ephesians 2:10

Dedicated life to a higher purpose – Romans 12:1-2, I Corinthians 12

Love God, Love Others - Matthew 22: 36-40

Great Commission – Matthew 28: 18-20

**FBC Columbus Youth Prayer**

Hey God,

What’s up in your kingdom? We’re here to find out. And though our time together might be fun and it might be entertaining, that’s not why we’re here. We are here to learn to worship you, to discover the worth of following you. We want to discover more about your word and what it means for our life right now. We want to learn to be good and faithful friends to those we are close to. And we want to learn to be more loving and kind to those we meet and are getting to know. We want to discover your higher purposes for us so that we can serve in the work of your kingdom. This is our purpose and this is our prayer.

Amen