

## The Spirit of the Lord is on me...



**...to preach good news to the poor**



**...to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind**



**...to release the oppressed!**

## PROGRAMS

LITES offers three years of discipleship and ministry training. Below are listed a few foundational focal points for each year, depending on each team's needs.

### First Year

- Developing a thriving relationship with Jesus Christ
- Learning to have the heart of a servant
- Gaining freedom from darkness and bondage

### Second Year

- Developing and expressing personal spiritual gifts
- Learning to step out in new areas of leadership
- Increasing participation in ministry

### Third Year

- Seeking God's individual life call
- Taking on tasks that are beneficial for confirming and preparing for each individual's calling
- Potentially seeking training not offered by LITES

(Some classes are eligible for credits with LifeSpring School of Ministry. Second and third year students have possibility of taking on a part time job outside of LITES.)

**Serving the Body of Christ by calling, connecting, mentoring and discipling young adults to reach the future for Christ**



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**LITES is a non-profit ministry. Your consideration of giving a one-time or monthly gift to help with the ongoing expenses of the ministry is much appreciated.**

**Looking for a Challenge?**

**"If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."  
-Jesus**

**Learn how LITES can help you take the challenge!**



# WHAT IS LITES?

LITES is a ministry for young adults 18 years old and older based in the retreat-like setting of Stanberry, Missouri.



**Students live in the "Fair Haven" facility across the street from the training center shown in the background.**

Our "school year" is nine months long. While here, a student can expect to spend time in corporate worship, participating in classroom instruction and activities, completing class assignments, following a daily Bible reading schedule, memorizing scripture, and developing relationships with LITES' staff members and other students. Students also participate in many varied service ministries and projects. Tuition for a first year student is \$4500.

# VISION

The vision of LITES Ministries is three-fold:

- ⇒ **Development of relationship with their Creator God, and with our Savior, Jesus Christ**
- ⇒ **Reconnection of young adults with the older generations**
- ⇒ **Preparation of students to be servant leaders who reach into the future with the Gospel.**

A lofty vision? **Absolutely**...why not? For light to penetrate darkness, there can be **no** darkness in the light.

## **Raising up Laborers for the Harvest**



**Evangelism training drama**

# MISSION

LITES Ministries is designed to realize the vision by:

- **Assisting** young adults in deepening their relationship with our holy and personal God by teaching and modeling spiritual disciplines
- **Providing** personal mentoring
- **Encouraging** transparency and accountability relationships
- **Promoting and practicing** unity, teamwork, the heart of service, and other character qualities
- **Understanding and overcoming** obstacles in spiritual development and ministry
- **Guiding** in the understanding of God's call in one's life, and exploring what that may mean in various community and church ministry settings
- **Connecting** with a variety of ministry leaders from around the country
- **Observing** God working in widely varied circumstances
- **Being** a valuable ministry tool in many locations, providing a diversity of services



# GETTING INVOLVED

Becoming a LITES Team member means many things. For a first year student it means dedicating a full year to a single focus, postponing personal goals of career, formal education, and romance. This expectation is not meant to be oppressive but is necessary for creating an atmosphere where God and what He is doing truly is the main event.

Team members spend daily time learning and perfecting spiritual disciplines that will last them a lifetime. Students are also encouraged to maintain healthy physical disciplines of exercise, sleep, and nutrition.

***Are you up to the Challenge?***