

T.I.M. Standards

please keep this handy

1. **Doors** open to TIM at 5:45pm. TIM members should arrive to the TIM room by 6:00PM.
2. **Care** and respect is to be shown for FBC church property. (Smashing my ping-pong balls is not showing respect, so cut that out!)
3. **Please** address TIM leaders respectfully: Pastor Rizzi, Mrs. Rizzi (please use Mr. & Mrs, Miss, etc for all other helpers).
4. **Respectful** language is expected at all times, before, during and after TIM group. (No swearing; no OMG . . .)
5. **Modest** clothing is expected at all times. Please consider what you wear as an outward testimony of your faith in the Lord. If you have a question concerning what is considered appropriate attire, please come and talk with Pastor or Mrs. Rizzi.

Both young men and young ladies will be asked not to wear any jewelry or clothing with words or pictures that would be offensive to the church (ex. Bad or offensive language, Non-Christian music groups, skeletons, demonic symbols.) If someone comes to TIM in clothing that does not conform to the above requirements, he or she will be asked to wear a T-shirts provided to cover their top. If the offensive attire cannot be covered, the next option is to call home for a change of clothing.

6. **TIM** members will need to be accompanied by a TIM leader/helper at all times. No TIM member is allowed to roam freely throughout the building or the property, or at any TIM sponsored event. When at any TIM related activity you are under our watch-care for your benefit.
7. **TIM** members are allowed to remain at FBC (on regular Friday night meetings) until 8:15pm. If you cannot pick up your teen by then, please communicate with TIM leaders/helpers should you need to make other plans.
8. **If** there is no school due to snow cancellations TIM may still take place depending on the weather that afternoon. Please call Pstr. Rizzi or Mrs. Rizzi to confirm. In the event that there is no school for any reason other than weather, we will still have TIM unless we schedule otherwise. Please ask if you have any questions about this.
9. **We** will ask you to help us in addressing behavior issues during our TIM meetings and activities. Pushing, shoving, and rough-housing is not allowed. Running is allowed only during certain organized activities. We will give you three warnings concerning behavior issues such as being disruptive/distracting during our lesson/devotional time, or other minor issues that arise during our time together. The three warnings can be in one night or over the course of consecutive meetings. If a TIM member receives 3 warnings in 1 or more meetings concerning the same issue, he/she may be asked to sit down for a period of time and/or kept from group activities for that night. If a member continues to be disruptive, a 1 or 2 week suspension may be enforced. If suspended twice, and violate the rules, they will be expelled for up to one year. Each case will be addressed individually, according to the offense and we reserve the right to modify the discipline according to each offense. We will address minor issues as they arise and discuss them with parents, as well as the teens, to resolve the issue. Concerning higher levels of conflict, such as aggressive behavior resulting in injury to others, we will record the issues in a "Report of Incident" to include date of occurrence, a report of what occurred from the perspective of each teen and any witness, with a plan of action to resolve the matter for all concerned. This will be signed by Pastor Rizzi, the teen(s) involved, their parents and any witness of the issue. Concerning areas of doctrine and theology, please reserve all discussion to the lesson being presented. Pastor Rizzi will try to answer all questions during the lesson time, but please keep in mind that we teach from the Baptist perspective.

10. **Please - NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

By this we mean that you leave your MP3s, lap-tops, game-boys, Nintendo DS, etc . . . **AT HOME** (that means **NOT** in your pockets for those of you who may not know what **AT HOME** means) or in a backpack to be placed in a designated area of our TIM room. We reserve the right to choose certain electronics/games that can be used at any time.

All phones must be put away at all times and only used in an emergency or at the **END** of group to call for a ride home. (That means **no texting** during TIM. We prefer that rides are already pre-arranged)

11. **While** we will not dictate how you celebrate certain holidays at home, we respectfully ask that only Christ be represented in anything you bring or provide for an activity or snack for TIM.

Example: Please no Santa, or Easter Bunny, or Halloween Characters, or St. Patrick, etc...

12. **Requirements for TIM activities** will be as follows:

Each TIM member will have **at least 50%** attendance at regular TIM meetings to **attend** any TIM activity (such as snow tubing, laser tag, etc...) **and** for FBC to cover a portion of the paid activity (30% for non-FBC active youth; 50% for FBC active youth*). We reserve the right to allow younger siblings to attend a function at full price, depending

on the situation. Points will be directly related to the following principles: Actual attendance as well as: Bring your Bible, do your homework, Memory verse, and designated Christian service. Attendance will be applied on a month by month basis.

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FBC Statement of Faith:

We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired of God, inerrant in the original writings, and the supreme and final authority in faith and life (Galatians 1:1; 2 Timothy 3:16, 17; 2 Peter 1:16-21).

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:17-20; John 1:1-14; Colossians 1:12-19; Hebrews 1:1-12).

We believe that the authority of Scripture supports the position that only men are to hold the position of overseer/pastor, the office of deacon as described in 1 Timothy 3:1-13 and elder (Acts 15:6,7; 1 Peter 5:1-4).

We believe that marriage is an institution designed by God to join one man and one woman in the covenant bond of matrimony and that those whom the Lord has brought together in marriage no man may separate as found in Genesis 1:26-28 and Matthew 19:3-6 for the express purpose of glorifying Him and the propagation of the human race.

We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary, and is true God and true man (Isaiah 7:15; Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-32).

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 the case of those who reach moral responsibility, become sinners in thought, word and deed. (Genesis 1:26; Romans 1:18-32; 3:10-23).

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; and all that believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood (Isaiah 53; Romans 5: 1,2,6-10; 1 Corinthians 15:3,4).

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 (Luke 24; John 20; Acts 1:8-10; Hebrews 7:4-28).

We believe in that blessed hope which is the visible return of Jesus Christ to the world according to His promise (Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Titus 2:11-14).

We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God (John 3:1-18; Romans 8:8-17; Romans 10:4-13; Ephesians 2:8,9).

We believe in two ordinances of the church, baptism by immersion and observance of the Lord's Supper, both to be practiced by those who have professed their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior. (Acts 2:40-42; 1 Corinthians 11:23-34)

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost according to the order set forth in the Scriptures (Matthew 25:31-46; John 5:28; Revelation 20).