A Typical Youth Gathering

Purpose and Logistics

- When? Where? Who? (age group)
- Primary purpose to gather: a special event or regularly scheduled gathering?
- Theme or faith formation topic (lesson or learning)?

Pre-meeting Preparation

- Promote - Advertise
- Invite (one to one, teen to teen)
- Preparation/Advanced planning
- Assign Tasks

Structure/Content

1. Welcome
   - Music in background while gathering
   - Meet and greet.
   - No one stands alone!

2. Warm up
   - Icebreakers
   - Introduce the topic for the night

3. “Work”
   - Catechetical teaching/theme (Interactive is best!)
   - Faith sharing
   - Prayer

4. Wrap up
   - “Business” or promoting next events
   - Social time

*Involve teens in planning and running sessions!*