

# **EMERGE** **LEADERSHIP** **FORMATION**

*FACILITATORS' MANUAL*

work on the part of the leader to keep this up. Consider organising a missions trip or service project for some time in the year. Getting into a new environment and going away together to serve can help propel their ability to lead especially if they can also be involved in the planning.

A great example of this is when St Johns in the City Wellington joined Marton's youth group to run a weeklong mission trip together in Marton. Check out the SPANZ Article on Marton. Mission

It is important to check in with your young people about how their serving is going. Mid-year it is easy for things to get dropped, so having someone holding them accountable and cheering them on is important. Think about leaving time in each teaching session for them to share with each other or host a meal in between sessions to get together to talk about the ministries your students are serving in. Ideally this role could also be taken on by a mentor but if the mentor is checking in on the young people make sure you are checking in on the mentor!

## SERVING IN THEIR CONTEXT

Between sessions young people are expected to be serving in some capacity in a ministry connected to their local church. Serving should be taking place regularly throughout the year.

Each young person has different skills and passions that will come through when it comes to serving in a ministry.

**A good serving option is something that they feel excited about helping with, and is a place for them to show leadership in some capacity, interact with others, grow new skills, make decisions, and push themselves.**

For example just helping by changing the PowerPoint slides on Sunday is not a great choice of ministry for this course but it could be if they were able to do that and also be in charge of things like setting up the projector on Sunday, liaising with the band to make sure the PowerPoint is correct, creating the slides or setting the roster for who does what each week and training others to do it also.

Some good serving examples:

- Church children's ministry
- Worship team
- After school kids programme
- Op Shop
- Hospitality and welcoming for church services and events

If your young person is struggling to choose a place to serve, they might take the first two terms to try a few things out before they settle into a single ministry. If the ministry they have chosen is not working out for them or is not giving them enough opportunity to serve it might be a good idea to help them pick a new place to serve.