



Worship Department
Pledge To Excellence

Our Purpose

The purpose of the FAM Worship Team is to create an atmosphere for people to encounter God's real love and give faithful believers opportunities to serve the world's real people.

To facilitate this experience, team members must themselves be authentic and passionate worshippers.

1 Chronicles 16:8-11 NLT

Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done. Sing to him; yes, sing His praises. Tell everyone about his wonderful deeds. Exult in his holy name; rejoice, you who worship the LORD. Search for the LORD and for his strength; continually seek him.

Psalms 47:5-7 NKJV

God has gone up with a shout, The LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding.

John 4:24 NKJV

God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

Psalms 9:1-2 NKJV

I will praise You, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your marvelous works. I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

What Is Excellence?

Definition: the fact or state of excelling

We are privileged to have the opportunity to minister to God through our songs here at FAM, and we do not take the privilege lightly. When we enter into His presences with a gift, or a sacrifice, of worship, we don't want to be found guilty of offering up anything but our best to God. With that in mind, we strive to keep an attitude of excellence.

What does excellence mean to us? It does NOT mean we have to be the best on the planet. It DOES mean we will give him OUR best. We aren't looking for everyone to be perfect; we are merely striving to offer the best sacrifice we have.

Personal Excellence

Servanthood

Even as Jesus came to minister (serve) rather than be served, so we must look for opportunities to help people whether they are apart of the worship team or not.

This requires us to be aware of the people around us and reach out to them during a service and/or during the week.

Maintaining a spirit of humility will allow you to serve the people around you and efficiently lead people in corporate worship.

Church Attendance

As a leader, you are expected to be at church even if you're not on the Worship Team Schedule.

Your commitment to the team is related to your attendance. Not only of the practices but also in attending services regularly.

Excessive absences will be grounds for review.

Attitude

As a Worship Team, we are called to serve. The only way we can efficiently do this is with a servant's heart submitted to Godly leadership.

A submissive servant's attitude is critical for the worship team members. We are here to serve God through serving the Pastor and this body.

Divisive speech & personal agendas have no place on a unified team. Effective practice and Spirit-filled service require a cooperative spirit.

Remember that as a team member people look up to you. Your life must exemplify one of excellence.

Evidence of A Christ-Centered Life

Live a lifestyle of worship

If we are going to lead people into worship from a platform, even more so, we must be people who love to worship and honor God off of the platform and out of the spotlight.

Smoking, use of narcotics or alcohol, foul language, illicit sexual behavior and ongoing family conflicts are often indicators of deeper spiritual issues, and if reoccurring, will be grounds for review or dismissal.

A lifestyle that exemplifies holiness is a must for anyone involved in the Worship Team.

The Bible teaches us to worship God in the beauty of holiness. We give glory and honor to God by a lifestyle of holiness. As team members, we are required by God to live a life that worships in action as well as word.

Spiritual Excellence

Commitment to Christ & Spiritual Growth

Dedicated follower of Jesus with a lifestyle that reflects that outward confession.

Spend time studying and reading the Bible on a daily basis.

Spend time in Prayer daily.

Be prayed up and ready to minister in a spirit of unity.

Psalms 133:1,3 NKJV, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!For there the LORD commanded the blessing--Life forevermore. "

Isaiah 38:20 NKJV, "The LORD was ready to save me; therefore we will sing my songs with stringed instruments All the days of our life, in the house of the LORD."

You must be invested in continual spiritual growth that is in line with God's Word.

Romans 12:2 NKJV, "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Professional Excellence

Musical Talent & Skill

All team members are expected to be present at the weekly rehearsals. If you cannot attend, you need to communicate that with the worship pastor ahead of time.

There must be evidence of a gift and a degree of skill to be able to participate on the Worship Team.

Play and/or sing skillfully and joyfully.

Psalms 33:1-3 NKJV, "Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful. Praise the LORD with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy."

1 Chronicles 15:16 NLT, "David also ordered the Levite leaders to appoint a choir of Levites who were singers and musicians to sing joyful songs to the accompaniment of harps, lyres, and cymbals."

Be A Faithful and Constant Learner

Make a habit of practicing your instrument and even taking lessons to be proficient and play well with other team members.

Proverbs 22:29 NKJV, "Do you see a man who excels in his work? He will stand before kings; He will not stand before unknown men."

Dedicate a minimum of two hours a week to service practice.

Be a constant learner.

There will be times when the leader will be offering instruction concerning the way an instrument is played or the way a particular vocal part sounds. It is imperative you receive instruction willingly. A bad attitude towards direction will negatively affect the whole team.

Our goal is to provide the best overall sound, a good blend of instruments and vocals. Often, the leader will stop a song to work on a specific part with individual members or parts of the team. During these times, please wait patiently.

Be Engaged During Worship

As leaders of corporate worship, it is our privilege and responsibility to demonstrate authentic and energetic worship to our body of believers. While remaining mindful of the flow of the service and keeping your attention on the worship pastor, do not forget to smile, lift your hands, and engage in worship.

Grooming & Hygiene

Hair must be washed, nicely groomed and kept neat and clean; no sloppy hairdos or excessively wild styles

No excessive piercings.

No excessive colognes or perfumes.

Be mindful of fellow team member's and the possibility of affecting those with allergies.

Bodies must be clean, and use of effective deodorant is essential.

Breath mints are available in the restrooms.

No gum during services.

Dress Code

While we always strive to conduct ourselves professionally, we also strive to dress in the same manner. Not only are we representing Christ to the people in church and the people who watch on television/Livestream, but we also represent Pastor and all of FAM.

Ladies

- If wearing a skirt, leggings are highly suggested.
- All skirts must be below the knee.
- No jeans with excessive holes.
- No tight shirts, low cut shirts or tummy's showing.

Men

- No low cut v-necks or shirts buttoned down too low.
- No jeans with excessive holes.
- Clothing must be clean, sharp and ironed. No clashing colors.
- Dress is to be smart casual.
- E.G., dress pants or jeans, button down shirts, polos, etc.