## HALF-MILLION MOBILIZATION

## Ideas for Youth Participation

We have created this document as a resource for churches and church leaders, both to give ideas and spark imaginations on how youth can be active participants in the Half-Million Mobilization initiative. Feel free to use any of the ideas below, adapt them to fit your youth, or use them as a jumping off point for your own creative ideas. We hope you enjoy your individual Half-Million Mobilization experience!

- Create a prayer journal with different directions and activities to be completed as aids for prayer. Add Scripture, Questions, Places to Respond, Doodle Space, Write your prayer as a poem or song, etc.

- o Examples: <u>https://www.happierhuman.com/prayer-journal-template/</u>
- Response Assists
  - o Doodle Prayer
  - Write Out Your Prayer (Poem)
  - Share Your Experience; How is God Leading You? and Where is God Leading?
  - How Am I a Part of the Answer?

- Have a student write up an actual prayer that is read in the service.

- Give the artists in your church/youth group a way to illustrate the longings of their heart for the church and present/share to the church community.

- Create a small group where youth can speak of their struggles over the last few years and have adults listen and commit to pray for them.

- Hold a prayer meeting via. Invite families to login briefly with their kids and have "prayer friends" pray for each of them by name.

- As a youth group, split up into groups and take a walk for 30 minutes in spaces around the location of a worship gathering. Have them take mental notes of what they see and then pray for whatever they feel led to pray about and for when they gather up again.

- Use social media as an avenue to discover the requests of all kinds of people. Perhaps developing a text line in partnership with other adults to gather regularly or share together the requests they are hearing.

- Set your alarm on your phone for an exact time every day as a church community to stop and pray for what is on your heart that day and text out, call, or drop a note to the person(s) you have prayed for.

- If your town has a city center or place that people regularly gather, set aside a time each week after school to gather and pray over the city/town where you live.

- As a church community, have a jar/container set in a central location (perhaps sanctuary) to have people write down their answered prayers and watch God visually at work among them.

- Take specific time in a worship service to "be silent before the Lord." Intentional time to ask the Spirit to speak.