

## What is PTN?

Pre-Teen Nazarenes (PTN) is a ministry created specifically for 5th- and 6th-graders.



## Why offer PTN?

For too long, preteens were grouped with “the little kids” or “the grown ups.” They were too young to attend youth group and lacked a place of their own.

We wanted to reach this special age group, so we formed PTN, a ministry that caters to preteens’ interests, addresses their unique challenges, and helps them grow spiritually.

We believe pre-teens are in a critical time of life, and need love, support, and guidance from their church family.

## What goes on?

Students enjoy a snacks from the café, devotionals, games, crafts, and projects. They engage in music, drama and more. They appear before the congregation on occasion, and lead younger children in worship almost every Sunday.



## How does PTN shape lives?

PTN helps preteens become leaders. They are challenged to set an example for younger students. Engaging in hands-on ministry, pre-teens also become service-minded. And through worship arts, they explore talents God has given them. PTN also prepares students for the changes and challenges of adolescence.



## The Schedule

PTN hour takes place Sundays at 10:45 a.m., during second service. On the third Sunday of each month, however, pre-teens usually attend our family worship service.

Preteens also attend Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and Caravans, a Christian scouting program, Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m., during the school year. Those who finish 6th grade also enjoy Wired, a special summertime Bible study.

Sunday school, PTN hour, and the preteen Caravan group all meet in the colorful preteen room, located behind the children’s church area.

## Ministry Goals

It is our goal that every preteen will accept Jesus Christ as his or her savior and live for Him. Preteens will receive opportunities to put their faith in Jesus Christ, grow in that faith, and share that faith with others.



## Theme Verse

“Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.” *Philippians 3:12*

## Meet the Leaders



Bridget Woodbury teaches lessons and leads projects and events. This fun teacher loves to work with preteens and help them grow closer to God.



Tony Summers shares his passion for worship arts with preteens, helping them explore their own gifts, lead younger kids in worship, and fill roles in church productions.

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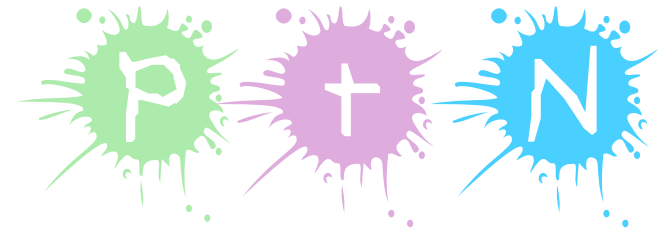
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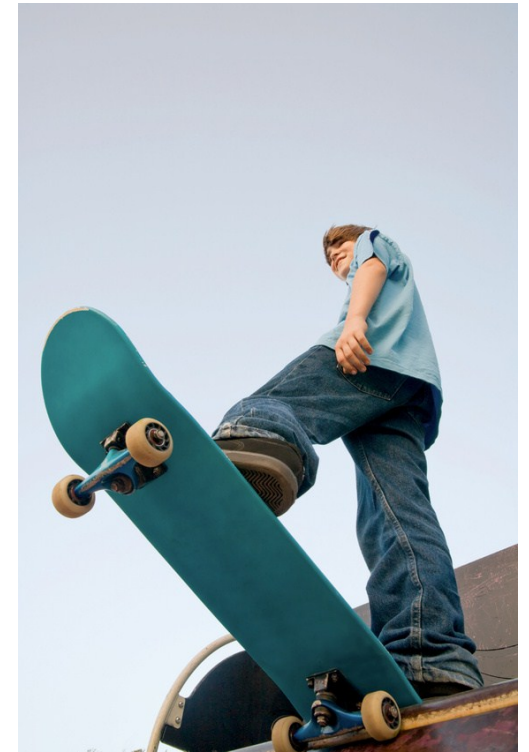
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