

YOUTH BECOMING LEADERS

High School Christian Leadership and Global Transformation Institute

TESTIMONY SHARING

Our personal testimonies are one of the most influential tools God gives us. They connect us to God— God is the main character, and each part of our testimony is a part of God’s story. **Everything should always point back to God and the gospel.** As well, they connect us to each other. So, here are important tips to keep in mind!

1 PRAY:

Talk to Jesus & invite Jesus into your heart. Ask God for specific memories where you can glorify God and testify to how God moved in your life.

2 REFLECT:

How has your life changed since you decided to follow Jesus? How has the Holy Spirit transformed you since YBL began? Why do you want to share your faith with others?

3 REMEMBER:

Remember the ABC’s of testimony sharing. Flip card for more details.

REMEMBER THE ABC's

AWARE:

Know your audience. Who are you sharing your story with? What's their background? Learn as much as you can and ask God if anything in your story can speak to them directly. And remember, people respect vulnerability & honesty.

BRIEF:

Keep it short. Three minutes is your YBL target, & overall is a good time to aim for. Remember your story is about God, not you. However, if your audience has granted you more time, of course, this offers you a chance to go more in-depth as you see fit.

CURRENT:

All strong testimonies have an order, or a theme. It is NOT a story of your life from your birth until today. Think of your life before Christ, how you met Christ, and what your life's like now— keep it relevant. Also, avoid Christian slang or pointed messages.

God loves you. You matter to God. Your voice matters. Your story matters. If you let God in, God will use your story in ways you cannot even imagine.