A Summer of Preparation for Ministry

Men, there comes a time in your life when you must place yourself under a period of intentional discipleship—a season to be challenged spiritually, strengthened in character, and invested into for the work of the Lord. God uses **Neighborhood Bible Time** as a tool in His hand, under His watchful eye, to shape young men for maturity and service. Like refined gold, the pressures and trials of training are designed to draw out impurities and strengthen your faith so you may be fully prepared for the work He calls you to do.

This year, I would like to focus on a verse that speaks directly to the heart of preparation and service:

II Timothy 2:21—*"If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work."*

Notice the power of this promise. God desires to make each young man a vessel of honor, but the refining process is necessary. We are called to purge ourselves of distractions, sin, and weakness so that we may be sanctified and meet for the Master's use. NBT provides an environment where God works through discipline, training, and ministry opportunities to bring this purification and preparation to life.

Growing Through Character
God places the highest priority on character. A man of God is first defined by godliness, integrity, humility, and steadfastness. NBT challenges you in these areas from the very first day. Character is what qualifies a man for ministry; it is what gives him influence and sustains his service.

Growing Through the Word
Paul exhorted Timothy to give himself wholly to the study and application of God's Word. At NBT, the preaching and teaching of Scripture is preeminent. You will be immersed in doctrine, memorization, and understanding that your walk with Christ and your ministry to others will be rooted in the unchanging truth of God's Word.

Growing Through Gifts
Each young man comes with a calling and gifts uniquely given by God. As Paul told Timothy, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee. . . " (I Timothy 4:14). At NBT, you will have the opportunity to fan the flame of your calling—to step into ministry and see God work through you. Through preaching, teaching, counseling, and leadership, you will gain the confidence that God equips those He calls.

Growing Through Diligence
The Christian life and ministry demand diligence. Paul tells Timothy to give himself wholly to these things, to live and breathe them. A summer with NBT requires complete devotion, focus, and effort. It is a time to learn leadership, prayer, platform skills, organization, and endurance. You will discover what it means to serve faithfully, wholly, and passionately for Christ.

Growing Through Balance
Finally, spiritual growth requires balance. Doctrine and life are inseparable—what you believe affects how you live. At NBT, you will learn to structure your day, manage your time, and maintain a vibrant personal walk with the Lord while actively ministering to teens and children. You will learn to redeem the time and live fully for God in every moment.

This summer, will you answer the call? Will you be one of around thirty young men who allow God to purify, prepare, and place you for His service? A summer with Neighborhood Bible Time will not only prepare you for future ministry, it will transform your life now, strengthening your faith, your character, and your devotion to Christ.

For Evangelism,

Larry L Koontz

Larry L. Koontz, II, Executive Director

2026 Evangelistic Team

Great Things He Hath Done!

2026 Rally Statistics:

- 72 Rallies in 25 States and 5 Foreign Countries
- Total Enrollment of 8,596 Children & Teens
- 1,256 Total Decisions Recorded (Salvations, Dedication, etc.)

Check out NBT in action!

Recommendations

"Although it has been decades since I traveled as a Neighborhood Bible Time evangelist, I still consider my time with NBT to be one of the most significant experiences of my lifetime. Traveling with NBT allows a young man to work closely with several different pastors and churches. It gives him leadership responsibilities, and preaching opportunities no other ministry offers. The training NBT provides does far more than equip a young preacher for a summer. It enhances his walk with the Lord and furnishes him with skills and experience that will benefit him for a lifetime. For me, NBT was an essential part of my ministerial preparation. I cannot recommend it more strongly."
Dr. David A. Oliver, Pastor,
Ashley Baptist Church of Belding, MI

"I encourage all evangelism majors to travel at least one summer with Neighborhood Bible Time. There is no other ministry opportunity where they will meet as many pastors, have as many preaching opportunities, or see as many people saved as they will with NBT. One of the best ways to enhance a young man's preparation for evangelism is traveling with NBT. I wholeheartedly recommend it!"
Evangelist Ron Comfort, Founder and Chancellor,
Ambassador Baptist College

"There's nothing like preaching the gospel, and no better way to gain confidence than by doing it. That's why traveling with NBT is such an amazing opportunity. You won't be on the sidelines; YOU are on the field, lifting your voice with the gospel and depending on God's hand to do the work. You'll be equipped to lead, challenged to walk by faith, stretched beyond your limits, encouraged in the power of the gospel, and humbled by God's goodness. You'll gain a perspective on ministry you can't get in a classroom. I highly recommend NBT—you'll never regret giving your summer to preaching the gospel and seeing God at work."
Joe Mueller, Evangelist

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E.M. Bounds said, "Prayer is the very breath of dependence on God."
Prayer is vital to the role of an NBT Evangelist and the philosophy of prayer is emphasized.
Prayer makes the man and prayer makes the message.
Private, fervent prayer is learned throughout the summer.

Experience Training

1. Train with 25–35 dedicated evangelists.
2. Train for three weeks in an intense spiritual environment.
3. Train to be a dedicated servant of God.
4. Train under gifted men of God.
5. Train to preach, teach, evangelize, disciple, organize, motivate, administrate, and lead.
6. Train to grow and mature in Christ.

Experience Traveling

1. Travel to a new church each week.
2. Travel with a dedicated, Spirit-filled partner.
3. Travel as a Rally Time or Teen Evangelist.
4. Travel to gain valuable insight about how pastors lead their people.
5. Total time commitment with NBT: 12 weeks. *(3 weeks at Training, 1 week of R&R, and 7–8 rallies)*
6. Travel to reach the world's most responsive mission field—**youth**.

Experience Life-Changing Results

1. See the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in your own life.
2. See God's blessing as hundreds are saved and dedicated to Christ.
3. See the joy one experiences serving Christ with Godly people.
4. See the benefits of real, hands-on experience.
5. See the Lord provide for your financial needs.
6. See the value of giving a summer wholly to your Savior for service.

The Maturing of the Believer (Philippians 1:6)

We desire to see our NBT Evangelists:

- Develop a fervent, abiding relationship with their Lord
- Have a proper view of God
- Learn how to pray
- Grow more into the image of Christ each minute
- Work on areas of character as found in I Timothy 3
- See that ministry is about people
- Experience and learn from Godly pastors
- Confirm their call to ministry
- Understand the importance of following Biblical leadership
- Mature as the right kind of leader
- Prefer others better than themselves for the cause of Christ
- Depend on God for all their needs

As you can see, a summer with NBT is not just about traveling and preaching, though NBT Evangelists do minister daily and travel. One of our desires for the summer is to invest in each young man through a disciplined summer and see him mature as a believer in Christ.

As we all yield ourselves to Christ and daily depend on Him, He accomplishes His work in all of our hearts over the summer (Ephesians 1:19-21; 2:6).

What Does an NBT Evangelist Experience?

NBT Evangelists. . .

1. Preach 60-80 times over the summer
2. Soul-win daily
3. Lead 7–8 youth rallies
4. Work closely with many pastors
5. Conduct one-on-one counseling
6. Learn leadership and communication skills

Requirements

1. A clear testimony of salvation
2. Acceptance of the NBT Statement of Faith
3. A strong testimony of Christian character
4. A consistent lifestyle
5. A teachable spirit
6. A heart to serve
7. A willingness to work with others
8. A genuine love for young people
9. A deep burden for souls
10. A positive attitude
11. A flexible spirit
12. A desire to mature in the Lord

Is NBT for you?

- Yes, if you want to have one of the greatest summers of your life, serving the Lord full-time.
- Yes, if you want to learn from hands-on experience.
- Yes, if you want to see the Lord meet your every need.
- Yes, if you want to experience the Lord's power working in and through your life.
- Yes, if you want to see hundreds come to Christ for salvation and dedication.

NBT Statement of Faith

NBT believes and teaches in every Rally the Divine Inspiration of the Bible; the Holy Trinity; the Deity of Jesus Christ; His Blood Atonement; His Bodily Resurrection; His Personal Pre-Tribulation Return; Salvation by Faith; Holy Living; Eternal Security of the Believer; the Origin, Fall, and Total Depravity of Man; Eternal Judgment of the Wicked; the Local Church; the Lord's Table; Believer's Baptism; New Testament Soul-Winning; Separation; Missions; and the believer's obligation to witness by deed and word these truths, and to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Important Financial Information

1. You will provide your own transportation to training.
2. Room, board, and travel are provided throughout the summer, including your return home or to school.
3. All of the love offerings you receive are credited to your school tuition.
4. Available support options can equal or surpass a paying summer job. We encourage you to use our Evangelist Missionary Support Team Program. Love offerings can make a substantial contribution.

Your service commitment to Neighborhood Bible Time is from May 14 to August 7, 2027.

Note: Traveling with NBT can fulfill the requirements for an internship.