

WAKYMC WORSHIP TEAM EXPECTATIONS

We are excited about your interest and desire to serve Him and His church in worship! We believe that the role of worship in our church is crucial in helping people connect and encounter the Lord on a weekly basis. Below you will find expectations that we ask of each team member:

REHEARSALS

- Wednesday Rehearsal at 8:00 PM
- Sunday Rehearsal at 7:45 AM
- Occasionally we will forego a Wednesday evening rehearsal and meet early on Sunday morning at 7:15 AM instead. **These changes will be communicated to team members.*
- During the summertime, and for special events, the rehearsal schedule may change and will be communicated in advance.

***We ask that team members arrive with enough time to be set up, plugged in and ready to begin rehearsal at the above times.*

In addition to the above, team members are encouraged to attend any scheduled extra practices, special team meetings, ReFuel Conference, or retreats that the Worship Pastor should recommend or schedule.

PREPARATION

"Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy." – Psalm 33:3

All team members are expected to invest time into their craft and into preparation into the songs we will be playing. Rehearsals are not a time to learn the songs or learn parts. The reasons for this include:

1. During rehearsal, it helps the brief time we have to run smoothly.
2. It enables you and the team to focus on listening to each other and playing better together.
3. When you know your parts well, you are more free to praise the Lord without distraction and engage the church by inviting them to worship with you.
4. It helps to respect everyone's time, as we are all sacrificing time to serve in this capacity.

***We want to help resource you in preparation, so we offer tools and online resources like Worship Online to help as you prepare.*

SCHEDULING

For our service planning and scheduling we use Planning Center Online (PCO). You will receive an initial email inviting you to set up a personal user profile/account. You will then receive scheduling invites for services that you are scheduled to serve. These services will have links to chord charts and links of the songs to practice with. Please accept or decline the invites as promptly as possible so that we can make any needed adjustments to the schedule for the given weeks and teams. You will also have the ability in your account under "My Schedule" to enter "Block Out Dates" ahead of times for weeks that you will be unavailable to serve.

TEAM ATTITUDE

We desire to be a team that values personal integrity, has a teachable spirit, and is willing to work together and learn from one another. We possess a passion for excellence, creativity, and relevance – birthed out of our passion to give God our best.

TEAM UNITY & CHEMISTRY

We desire to be a team that is united and free of relational wedges. Any concerns or conflicts that arise should be resolved between concerned parties or addressed to your team leader. We desire to be a team that is unified group.

EXPECTATIONS OF WORSHIP TEAM MEMBERS

Because leading worship is done in front of other people, and those on the worship team are seen as spiritual leaders, all team members are expected to...

- be *regular attendees of Wakarusa Missionary Church. This means that you have been regularly attending 3-4 times a month for at least a period of 3 months. This also means that as a team member you aren't just attending when you're scheduled to play on the team.
- be growing deeper in their walk with the Lord
- demonstrate Godly character in life, family and service.
- demonstrate a willingness to follow and serve under the leadership of WakyMC.
- model worship both on and off the stage...meaning sing, lift your hands, let the joy of the Lord be seen in how you worship Him.
- show a willingness to commit time and energy to personal preparation on a regular basis, practicing on your own and outside of rehearsals.
- engagement in elective classes, small groups, and special services is encouraged.

TEAM APPAREL

We desire to be a team that exercises good judgment and modesty when choosing our apparel. We simply aim to dress so as not to draw attention to ourselves but keep the focus on Christ alone.

GUIDELINES

With the stage height, lighting and cameras, be mindful of the clothes you wear.

- Don't be sloppy
- No shorts or skirts above the knees
- No heavy branded cloths

LEADERSHIP

If someone in leadership approaches you about your clothing/apparel, we ask that you please maintain a teachable spirit. The assumption is not that you have wrong motives. As we think about the topic of clothing and appearance, we want worship leaders to have a heart of joy and humility.

THANK YOU!!

We're excited for you to continue growing in your discipleship path and for you to have a place where you can use your gifts and abilities to glorify God! We're excited for you to serve the church as you seek to worship and walk with Christ! As you serve Him, may He encourage and grow you to be the kind of worshiper He seeks in John 4:23-24, "True worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship Him."