



STAFF WOW

Blessing Families of Traveling Staff

Overview

It is common for ministry leaders to be pulled away from home for conferences, work meetings, and center visits. This can be especially hard for the families left at home. Adult & Teen Challenge is more than a workplace, it is a family and it is good to take the time to recognize the sacrifice that spouses and children make at times.

Preparing for the Moment

Know the families of your staff. Utilize a VIP sheet (staff profile), keep an ear open for the likes and dislikes, or have a general idea of the favorites of the family. Know when you are preparing to send staff on a traveling assignment and be prepared to send a basket with a note of appreciation to the family. *note: if a gift basket is too much work or doesn't fit in the budget, a card with a personalized note also means a lot. You could also slip a gift card in for a meal out for the family.

Budget

\$1-\$100+ per family.

Potential Partners

Research companies that specialize in gift baskets and call to see if they would offer any non-profit pricing. You may also have a volunteer that is especially skilled in putting together gift baskets that you could send for less than using a company.

Execution

From a handwritten note, a giftcard for dinner, or a gift basket with all of their favorites, these random acts of hospitality will speak volumes to the family of your employee about the kind of organization they work for.

Make sure whatever you send arrives within the first 24 hours of the trip so they have a chance to enjoy and appreciate it while their spouse or parent is away.