



PROJECT 1: BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

Pre-project Planning (this will be similar each time and will not be included with each project)

1. With advisor help, organize your group.
2. Once you've taken a look at your constitution or bylaws and have agreed how to organize, you must select some leaders. Advisors are not the leaders for the Chalice Club, the children and youth are in leadership. Decide how many leaders, what the rotation schedule, if any, will be, then elect your leaders.
3. Leaders run the Chalice Club meetings. Leaders need to check the pre-project planning before each meeting. If co-leaders are chosen, then both leaders should help prepare.
4. See the typical structure of a Chalice Club meeting in the Children/Youth Handbook. Set up chairs (or appoint another person in your group to do this) and the altar with Chalice (or appoint another person to do this job.)
5. Follow the structure of the Chalice Club or your modified version up to the project.
6. See each project for specific instructions.
7. Some projects will take longer than one meeting to complete. If you must continue the next week. Make sure to follow your usual Chalice Structure up to the project.
8. After the project, make sure you continue with the rest of the Chalice Club structure so that you have a closing for each meeting.

Project Requirements:

To earn the Beautification Award, students should demonstrate:

K-2/3-5

A willingness to make our world and community beautiful by:

1. picking up trash on church grounds;
2. planting flowers on church grounds;
3. washing the windows of the church.

NOTE: If the group is cleaning windows, divide up in teams to clean both inside and out. If your group is large, you might break out in groups to do all three items.

CHILD LEADER INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read over the project.
2. Familiarize yourself with the typical Chalice Club structure or modify it to fit your church.
3. Decide with the help of your advisor if your group should brainstorm about this project or if you should choose one.
4. Following the brainstorming and consensus models in your handbook, facilitate (with help of advisors) the decision-making process to determine how you will complete this project.
NOTE: the Middle/High School group project is to plan a beautification project, check with their leaders to coordinate with their project.
5. Divide your group into teams, if necessary.
6. Begin to work on your project.

Award Earned

Each person in your group earns the Beautification Award when you, the child leader, and the advisors determine that each person has completed the project in the spirit of the award.

NOTE: You, the child leader, and the advisors may withhold an award if a child in the group is not cooperating or distracts the entire group, preventing others from achieving their award. If you have problems with behavior, it may be necessary to stop the project and do a covenanting process (outlined in the Children/Youth Handbook).

Middle/High School

To earn this award, you should demonstrate a willingness to make our world and community beautiful by planning a *Beautification Project*.

A suggested *Beautification Project* is to plan a meditation garden. Since the younger children may choose to plant flowers, it would be wise to coordinate with their group(s).

1. Plan the space;
2. Decide what plants to use and where;
3. Whether you will add such things as water fountains or a labyrinth (this may depend on funds available for this project). If you will require funding for this project, make the appropriate steps to request the funds from the church Board or do fundraising. This project could be done in stages.

YOUTH LEADER INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read over the project.
2. Familiarize yourself with the typical Chalice Club structure or modify it to fit your church.
3. Following the brainstorming and consensus models in your handbook, facilitate (with help of advisors as needed) the decision-making process to determine how you will complete this project.
NOTE: K-2 and 3-5 projects include planting flowers, check with their leaders to coordinate with their project.
4. Divide your group into teams, if necessary.
5. Begin to work on your project.

Award Earned

Each person in your group earns the Beautification Award when you, the youth leader, and the advisors determine that each person has completed the project in the spirit of the award.

NOTE: You, the youth leader, and the advisors may withhold an award if a youth in the group is not cooperating or distracts the entire group, preventing others from achieving their award. If you have problems with behavior, it may be necessary to stop the project and do a covenanting process (outlined in the Children/Youth Handbook).