

# **Central Indiana Youth Rallies**

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## **RALLY DRESS:**

The purpose of the C.I.Y.R. is to see young people come to know Christ as their Savior and to encourage the Christian teens to live for Him. Therefore, we encourage 100% participation by all young people and their sponsors. We encourage you to invite the lost and bring them with you to the rally. We realize that first time visitors will not always adhere to Christian dress standards, however, we do ask that each church ensure modest dress for each teen attending the rally. We do ask that your regular attending ladies not wear slacks, jeans, or pants of any kind. They should wear appropriate length skirts and/or dresses. Also, please have your young men dress equally as well. We are asking you to encourage your regular attendees to set a good example for others to follow.

### **PLATFORM DRESS:**

Platform appearance is very important. In order to present a good testimony, we <u>insist</u> that <u>all platform</u> <u>participants</u> dress modestly using the following guidelines:

## **For ladies**

- 1. A dress and skirt must be worn while participating in a platform event involving singing, playing an instrument, readings, skits, quizzing, sword drill, announcements, etc.
- 2. All dresses and skirts must be knee length, paying particular attention to the modesty of the neckline and slits should be sewn to the knee.

#### For gentlemen

- 1. Dress or casual pants (no jeans), shirt, and tie for platform events involving singing, ushering, playing an instrument, working the sound equipment, or any serious performance.
- 2. Dress or casual pants (no jeans) and shirt for guizzing, sword-drill, announcements, and skits.
- 3. No earrings or necklaces on gentlemen while involved in any platform functions.

**NOTE:** If a skit involves a certain costume, please use discretion on modesty and whether or not it is appropriate.

# **RALLY SPONSORED EVENTS DRESS: (After rally activities)**

We ask that if your church is involved in a C.I.Y.R. event that they follow these dress standards:

- 1. Knee length and loose fitting culottes for ladies.
- 2. No pants, jeans, or slacks on ladies.
- 3. No tank tops or sleeveless shirts on ladies or gentlemen. (Full-sleeve shirts only)
- 4. No shorts on gentlemen.
- 5. No t-shirts that advertise items or persons that do not exalt Christ.

**Note:** In deciding whether or not the dress style is appropriate follow this simple rule: IF IN DOUBT, **DON'T!** 

#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE HOST CHURCH:**

- 1. Need to have the platform set up and ready to use 30 minutes before any scheduled service. The rally Chairman, Vice-Chairman, or Music Director will contact the host church to inform them exactly what is needed for that months rally.
  - a. Microphones for singers.
  - b. Overhead projector and screen for song director. (If needed)
  - c. Provide a qualified soundman.
  - d. Someone to assist church setting up for skits.
- 2. Need to have a table and two chairs set up at main entry doors for official rally check in point.
- 3. Need to have organized and friendly people to assist in guiding bus to designated parking areas and to assist people on where to go.
- 4. Need to have ushers and offering receptacles to collect the rally offering.
- 5. Need to have a place where the offering can be counted.

# **BIBLE QUIZZING AND SWORD DRILL:**

- 1. If you have 15 or more teens in attendance you may have two Bible quiz teams competing. If you have more than 2 team please make sure they stay consistent throughout the year.
- 2. The top three teams will receive guiz ribbons and the top team a plague every month.
- 3. All teams will be competing for the top five plagues or trophies to be awarded at our May rally.

#### **RALLY SUPPORT:**

We are expecting great blessings in our rallies this year! Those blessings will only come if we remain faithful to God. Will you please pray with us for the rallies this year? Pray that God will lead the officers in selecting the right men to come and share His word with us. We have been in contact with several men who are praying about coming. Also, pray that the Lord will lead new churches to come and support us in prayer and attendance.

We are also asking all our churches to consider financially supporting the rallies. We do incur expenses with bringing in speakers, buying monthly awards, and mailings. The offerings we take up each month do not always cover these expenses. We do have a couple of churches that support us on a monthly basis. Please pray about what the Lord would have your church to do in supporting the rallies financially.

<u>Please note</u> that the purpose of our rallies has been and will continue to be **Reaching Youth with The Truth.** Part of teaching the truth is being truthful to our teens.

We have established the dress guidelines in order to have an established standard dress for all our churches to follow. In the past there have been a few that have not followed the guidelines and we have let it slide. However, this year we will strictly enforce these guidelines. We ask that you review them again. Copy them and give them to your teens if necessary. We no not wish to embarrass anyone, but we will ask the sponsors of those who are inappropriately dressed to change. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Doug Keppel (317) 407-2055.