

High School Graduation Milestone

Two Milestones Manuals

Mission Trip Milestone

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**Mission Trip Milestone:  
Community Blessings at Home and Away**

**Desired Outcomes**

- Experience the mission trip as a faith journey by many although traveled by only a few.
- Support those on the mission trip with prayer from the home community.
- Encounter new places, people and experiences in a unique faith journey.
- Learn to serve others as an important Christian practice while gaining insights into how others live and experience God in their own lives.
- Gain a new understanding and appreciation of the Christian faith.

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## Mission Trip Milestone

Many congregations are in the planning stages for mission trips that will take place in just a few months.

This Milestone Ministry event will emphasize the blessings of the congregational community that will be left behind for a period of time; the community that will travel together for the mission trip; and the community that will be met during the mission trip.

As part of this Milestones Ministry event, each person traveling on the

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*This is a time for the graduate, family and congregation to be very intentional about continued faith connections.*



## **Name, Equip, Bless, Gift, Reinforce**

All Milestone Modules incorporate this simple 5 part structure. For the High School Graduation Milestone, the 5 part structure looks like this:

**Naming-** It is important to recognize high school graduation as a life changing event for both seniors and parents/guardians.

**Equipping-** This Milestone provides an intentional opportunity for

mission trip is given a journal with a picture of that person with his/her prayer and action partner. The people serving as prayer and action partners are the people-in addition to family and other friends-who will be kept updated about the traveler's activities and who will respond with daily prayers for the sojourners. The sojourners, in turn, will log their experiences during the trip to help them focus on the faith-forming opportunities they are having and to guide their prayers and reflections during the mission trip.

Also included is a suggested follow-up to reinforce the mission trip experience and reconnect this group to share stories about the mission trip and show pictures. It provides a special time of giving thanks to God for those in the larger community who have served the travelers as teachers, co-workers, and friends.

The Mission Trip Milestone is available as one of eighteen Child and Youth Milestones or as an individual download.

[Child and Youth Milestones Manual](#)

[Mission Trip Milestone Module](#)



### Facebook Pages

Milestones Ministry maintains two Facebook pages. One is for our Organization updates and the other is the Group page where we invite you to ask questions and contribute to the conversation.

We also host an occasional Facebook party so stay tuned.

seniors and parents/guardians to practice the Four Keys for practicing faith at a special dinner where the Christian faith is presented as central to their continued relationship. The Four Keys are: 1. Caring Conversations, 2. Devotions, 3. Service, and 4. Rituals and Traditions.

**Blessing** - The blessing prayer for those participating in this milestone provides a special time to recognize God's presence in the lives of both graduating seniors and parents/guardians.

**Gifting**- Milestones Ministry suggests you give a gift as a physical reminder of this occasion. For example, a laundry bag filled with needed supplies or a High School Graduation stone. There is an Appendix with more ideas for gifting.

**Reinforcing** - Follow up after the High School Graduation Milestone connects this group one more time during the holidays or at summer's end to discuss life after graduation.

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## Milestones Manuals: Series A and Series B



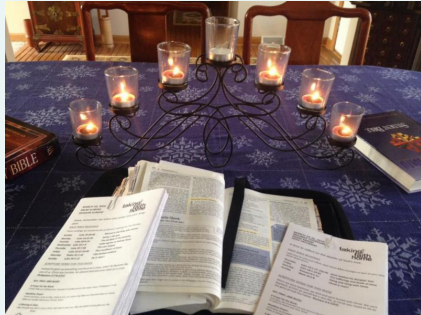
There are two Milestones Ministry Manuals: Series A with a focus on children, youth and families, and Series B with a focus on memorable moments in our adult lives.

There are 18 Milestones in the Children and Youth Milestones Ministry Manual that equip families with children in the home to nurture the Christian faith. These 18 individual and stand-alone

## Organization Page

## Group Page

If you haven't joined our pages already, please do so!



### **Taking Faith Home**

We used Taking Faith Home as a Lenten devotion and hosted friends in our home so we could go through it together and hold one another accountable. We suggest this could be done year round and invite you to consider hosting neighbors and friends in your home for weekly devotions.

- Burt and Debbie Streicher

modules help equip moms and dads, grandmas and grandpas, and children and youth to enjoy a life of faith in and through the home. These milestones serve congregations by providing an excellent pre- and post-confirmation faith formation process that prepares and strengthens children and youth for a life that affirms their baptismal promises.

[See the 18 Milestones and links to more information about them by clicking here.](#)

There are 12 Milestones in the Adult Milestones Ministry Manual. Milestones happen to people throughout life. And throughout life adults need occasions to be reminded of and supported in their lifelong faith formation. These Milestones do just that. From getting that first job or becoming a parent to becoming a grandparent or caring for elderly parents, milestones in life are made all the more significant as these meaningful, memorable moments are made part of the journey of faith through Milestones Ministry.

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[Manuals are available here](#) as a download, on a CD, or as a printed version with or without a CD.

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*resources and coaching services to nurture the Christian faith and reach out to others with the love of God in Christ.*

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