



Collaborative Churches

Evangel has a long history of healthy collaboration with local churches based on a foundational belief that students are growing spiritually in their early adult years and should remain a part of a local church for their lifetime. Churches who wish to have a formal collaborative relationship (Collaborative Churches) with Evangel must meet the following criteria.

- Be affiliated with the Assemblies of God, or other member denominations with the Pentecostal/Charismatic Churches of North America
- Be located in Springfield, Missouri, or the surrounding communities
- Provide a ministry to young adults
- Regularly invite young adults into places of ministry
- Complete an application for acceptance with Evangel (renewed annually)

Benefits:

Being an Evangel Collaborative Church provides several benefits including

- An invitation to the annual **Church Fair**
- Ability to take advantage of **on-campus promotion opportunities**
- Opportunities to invite Evangel **Impact Teams** to participate in events you host

Each of these benefits are further described below.

Annual Church Fair:

The Church Fair is a coordinated time for Collaborative Churches to interact with students at Evangel. Most churches provide information about services, available transportation, and ministry opportunities. Some endeavor to recruit interns, others focus on the new-student population to help them find a church home.

In 2024, the Church Fair is expanding to include the final night of the Young Adult Conference on Thursday (9/12), giving additional time for connecting with students. Based on participant feedback, the Church Fair is relocating to the Spence Chapel lobby to give more room for interaction.

Church Fair participants are welcome to join chapel that morning and will be recognized collectively.

Please see additional information on changes to the Church Fair in the section below.

On-Campus Promotions:

Evangel regularly posts flyers with event information on boards across campus. As a Collaborative Church, you'll have the ability to submit an 8.5 x 11 sized flyer for approval.

Before printing the final version, simply email (walkera@evangel.edu) the final design for consideration and when approved, you will receive a small graphic to place into your design that validates approval and the date for removal. Print up the appropriate amount of flyers and drop them off.



The Impossible Dream

Our team will take care of putting them up on the approved boards and removing them at the right time.

Evangel Impact Teams:

Whether you are having a youth all-nighter, special kids event, or doing ministry to shut-ins, Collaborative Churches receive priority on Impact Team invitations. Requesting one of these teams requires advance planning, but our goal is to support as many Collaborative Church events as possible.

We place a high value on opportunities that enhance what the church is doing by providing additional support for worship, preaching, activities, children's ministry, intercession, and outreach.

If the team will incur expenses as part of the participation, please disclose the expected amount and if the church is able to cover these costs at the time of booking. We strive to accept all requests, but we must steward those in accordance with available budget funds.

Church Fair @ YACON

The Church Fair is designed to

- introduce local churches to our attendees
- provide opportunity for church leaders to interact with students
- encourage church participation in the local church among attendees

It is an opportunity for local churches to present information about their ministry which encourages each student to find a church home, stay connected with peers, and get involved in serving others.

All Church Fair participants will have a high-top table to set up information about their church during Thursday evening at the Young Adult Conference and Friday morning during University Chapel.

Churches interested in additional exposure during the Young Adults Conference can consider becoming an event sponsor. **For details on these sponsorship levels, please download the sponsor information and policy and procedures information from evangel.edu/yac24.** The additional information below provides an opportunity for a discount on any of the sponsorship packages.

