

- Announce Young Life Presidents and allow them to share their vision for the year.**

- Break up into small groups with a President or Leader with each group and answer the following questions:**
 - ★ **How did you first hear about Young Life?**
 - ★ **Why did you come?**
 - ★ **What was it like when you walked in these doors?**

- Get back together in the large group and review answers.**

- Help them realize that personal invitations work the best. Most everyone in the group will mention the name of someone.**

- Show the clip from the end of the first “Lord of the Rings” of Frodo and Sam talking about whether anyone will tell stories about them years from now or read Max Lucado’s “Thanks for the Bread” from The Eye of the Storm. Ask them if three years from now will someone stand up at this meeting and share and mention their name. Tell them you will be texting all the people they mentioned tonight who are now juniors in college to let them know their names were mentioned.**

- Ask them to think through their niche in the school.**

- Explain to them the need to fill the room with the “right” people and explain exactly who that is. Put up a slide that lists the “right people”. (Band kids, hispanics, cheerleaders, skateboarders, red heads, muggles, sophomores, left handed kids, football players, etc, etc, etc... go nuts and list hundreds of examples so they get they idea that EVERYONE IS WELCOME!)**

- Break into small groups again and make lists of who you are going to bring next week.**

- Announce a contest for whoever brings the most freshmen next week wins a \$25 gas card.**

- Sell T-shirts - take the worry out of what to wear on Monday.**

- Hand out flyers for kids to distribute at school all week. Kid should not take them to hand to each other a week from now but have a group of kids in mind to target and write their phone number on the back for rides.**

- Shoe polish cars with YL Monday 7:29 on the back wind shield only. Make it uniform so that every car looks basically the same so everyone knows this is a planned event.**

- Enlist kids to help with skits for the first club involving freshmen. The kissing skit/pie in the face skit with freshmen guys and Varsity Cheerleaders is always a winner.**

- After the meeting set up a time with your music team including as many seniors as possible to rehearse (Labor Day night or the Sunday before first club work well). Check sound system and video for any kinks so you are not surprised at rehearsal.**