**Using Music in Ministry *by Mike Casey & Jon LaRoche***

**Relevant points:**

1. Incorporating music into your event/session/RE night:
   1. When to use:
      1. Music playing when kids arrive
      2. Opening praise & worship
      3. Meditation
      4. Musical lectio
      5. YouTube lyric videos: always use keepvid.com to download videos
      6. Background for prayer experience
      7. Closing praise & worship
      8. Music playing as kids are leaving
   2. How to play the music:
      1. Music minister or budget to bring in outside Music Ministers
      2. CD Player
      3. Phones, laptop, tablets – Spotify, iTunes/Apple Music, Amazon MP3
      4. USE A SPEAKER SYSTEM
   3. Legality:
      1. Buy music to support the artist
      2. If putting in a worship aid or handout, you NEED to have licensing
         1. CCLI Licensing - <http://us.ccli.com/>
         2. OCP LicensingOnline - <https://www.licensingonline.org/en-us/>
         3. GIA OneLicense - <https://www.onelicense.net/>
2. Choosing the right music:
   1. Choosing Themes pertinent to topic of night/matching music to topics
      1. <https://us.songselect.com/themes>
      2. <http://www.praisecharts.com/themes/>
      3. <http://www.ocp.org/musicfinder>
   2. Resources:
      1. Contemporary vs. Traditional
         1. What’s contemporary now? What isn’t?
            1. Spirit & Song 1 (1999), 2 (2005), and new Spirit & Song (2013)
         2. When to use traditional songs from hymnals
      2. What’s on the radio today?
         1. Q90, Relevant Radio, K-Love, Billboard
         2. ALWAYS CHECK THE LYRICS
3. Follow-up:
   1. Repeat music throughout year
   2. Tie-in music from events: Lifest, Christian concerts, Steubenville, LifeTeen Conferences, NCYC, John Bosco Youth Day, Mission Trips, etc.
   3. Ask kids for music they like, Christian or secular
   4. Have nights where secular music is dissected & discussed
4. Q&A
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**List of some popular artists & their songs we use in music ministry:**

* Matt Maher
  + Lord, I Need You
  + All the People Said Amen
  + Hold Us Together
  + You Were on the Cross
  + Burning in My Soul
  + Because He Lives
  + Your Grace is Enough
  + Deliverer
  + Firelight
* Ike Ndolo
  + Land of the Rising Sun
  + Offering
  + We Are the Beggars
  + Awake O Sleeper
  + Crooked Soul
  + I Am Saved
  + Wade in the Water
* Hillsong United/Hillsong Worship/Hillsong
  + Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)
  + Cornerstone
  + Forever Reign
  + The Stand
  + Mighty to Save
  + Hosanna
  + From the Inside Out
  + Arms Open Wide
  + At the Cross
* Audrey Assad
  + Restless
  + Lead Kindly Light
  + Show Me
  + O My Soul
* David Crowder
  + How He Loves
  + Come As You Are
  + All Creatures No. 2
* Chris Tomlin
  + Our God
  + I Will Follow
* Kari Jobe
  + Forever
  + I Am Not Alone
  + Revelation Song
* Jeremy Riddle
  + Fall Afresh
  + One Thing Remains
* Matt Redman
  + 10,000 Reasons
* All Sons & Daughters
  + All the Poor and Powerless
  + Great Are You Lord
  + Brokenness Aside
  + Reason to Sing
* JJ Heller
  + Your Hands
  + What Love Really Means
  + Control
* Phil Wickham
  + This is Amazing Grace
  + You’re Beautiful
  + Cannons
* Laura Story
  + Blessings
* Lauren Daigle
  + How Can It Be?
  + Power to Redeem
* Skillet
  + Monster
  + Hero
  + Comatose
* Needtobreathe
  + Brother
  + Multiplied
  + Something Beautiful
  + Lay ‘Em Down
* Rush of Fools
  + Lay Me Down
  + Undo
* Robbie Seay
  + Song of Hope (Heaven Come Down)