

# Pathfinder Family Ministries 2019 Centennial Award Requirements Student Work Sheet



**NOTE: THIS AWARD PATCH IS ONLY AVAILABLE IN 2019  
AS IT CELEBRATES THE CENTENNIAL YEAR!**

1. Why is the year 2019 so special to Family Ministries in the Seventh-day Adventist Church?

*Answer: The year 2019 marks the 100th anniversary for Family Ministries in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.*

2. A mission statement explains the purpose or “mission” of an organization. The Family Ministries departmental mission statement is: “Our mission of evangelism is to provide resources, training, and networking opportunities that will instill hope and bring wholeness to families within the territory of the North American Division.” According to the departmental mission statement, the mission of evangelism is to do what 3 things?

*Answer: (1) provide resources, (2) training, and (3) networking opportunities*

3. A vision statement defines the ultimate goal. The Family Ministries departmental vision statement is, “Reaching Families for Eternity” Explain why this should be a priority.

*Answer: Vision Statement- Reaching Families for Eternity. We need to tell others about Jesus because He is coming soon to take us to heaven with Him.*

4. The North American Division is comprised on what 4 countries/territories?

*Answer: The North American Division is comprised of: (1) United States, (2) Canada, (3) Bermuda, (4) Guam-Micronesia*

5. The name of the department was changed from Family Life to Family Ministries. What ministry/ministries could your family have? With your group, brainstorm a list of ways in which families can work together to minister or serve others?

*Answer: The department exists to help educate others that the family is an evangelistic unit. We can use our families for ministry to others. Each group will brainstorm to compose a list of possible ways families can minister to others.*

6. Define “family”. If you were to write a definition for the dictionary, what would it say?

*Answer: Answers will vary but should include the idea that families look different. Some families have a mother and a father, some have no children, some have grandparents, some have a single parent, some have step-parents, etc. The purpose is to help the young people understand that families are diverse.*

7. Ellen White says, “Every member of the family should realize that a responsibility rests upon him individually to do his part in adding to the comfort, order, and regularity of the family” (White, Adventist Home, p.179). What is your personal responsibility as a family member?

*Answer: Answers will vary but should include the idea that each member of the family contributes to the well-being of the entire family. We each have a responsibility with household chores, personal care, and helping the other members of our family.*

8. Share with your group about a time when another family helped you or your family? What did they do? How did it make you feel?

*Answer: Answers will vary. Make sure the conversation concludes with the idea that this is what family ministries is all about- families helping other families!*

9. Write a family evangelism mission statement for your family.

*Answer: Answers will vary, however, here is an example: “The mission of our family is to model Jesus love to each family member and to share the gospel message to friends, family and neighbors through a life of sharing.”*

10. Now, look at the specifics in the statement you just wrote. What are 3 things you can do as a family to fulfill that mission statement?

*Answer: Answers will vary.*