

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.