## The Alley SG – September 2-3, 2017

## 1. Discussion Questions

- Do you think the number of friends you have matters?
- Would you rather have one or just a few close friends or a big group of friends?
- Can someone become a good friend quickly or does it take time?
- What have you given up or done to show a friend—through words and actions—that you are there for him or her?
- Are there times in life when friendships change? How does that make you feel?
- What advice about friends would you give someone a year younger than you?

## 2. Making it Personal with Prayer

- **Ask** your group to come up with examples of Dynamic Duos—two really good friends. These could come from real life, history, or from TV, movies, and books.
- **Tell** them when they share the names to also share what makes them that way. Why were they such good friends? What made that relationship work?
- Finish up by asking who they can each be this kind of friend to this week?
- **Give** them an option to say that name out loud or in their head as you pray.

## 3. God Time Sheets

- Hand Out God Time Sheets and Pens, and allow your group to begin to work on them.
- Encourage your group to complete the God Time Sheets throughout the week, and bring them back completed, next week, for \$10 in Alley Cash.

Before they leave, ask them to close their eyes so you can pray and send them out.

"Dear Jesus, We all want good friends in our lives. We need help to be that kind of good friend to other people, too. Help us not to just say nice things but to act like others are important to us. Help us to show others we love them as much as we love ourselves. This week help us to be a good friend to . . . (Pause in case anyone wants to share a name. You can also share a name.) Thank you for loving us so much. In Jesus' name, Amen."