



## Hey Pastor!

Thank you for taking the time to consider KOZ as a ministry of your church. We have seen men and boy's lives changed from this simple yet profound ministry of meeting the needs of what often is "the least of these" in our churches and their communities.

As you may know by now, KOZ is an organization that seeks to train and empower men of the local church to fulfill a specialized ministry of Christian mentoring for boys using outdoor adventures. The training includes a 1.5-hour event with the wives of the men who are requesting to start a KOZ group. This is followed by an incredible 6-hour training for the men either live or by video with manuals and materials for each man. This is best held at your church.

The cost for this program is \$300 per year. This includes all curriculum and support. There is a cost per manual and other materials may be required for the training. If this is a live training, then cost of travel expenses would be required.

Grant opportunities for churches who need financial support is available. KOZ never wants a group of men or church to not start their group because of a financial burden.

Once the men are trained, KOZ releases these men to fulfill this ministry within the local church body. KOZ is not another assignment to or for a church minister or staff.

KOZ requires that the men have the written approval of the local church pastor and that the KOZ effort at that church is recognized as a ministry of that church. This acknowledgement will suffice for most any church insurance policy in recognizing the local KOZ club as a ministry of the local church and thus cover any liability. The liability coverage would be identical to that of a Sunday School class going on a campout or a Saturday activity which would be common to most any church policy. We recommend that if the church has questions about their liability coverage, please contact your insurance provider to ensure this kind of coverage is in place. KOZ teaches the men to follow the church guidelines for volunteer background checks and policies for volunteer behavior. KOZ also teaches the men to get liability waiver forms signed by the parents on the kids first visit. The bottom line is that the local KOZ club is a ministry of the local church and the policies of the church should be followed.

Thanks again for your ministry in your local community. It is our goal at KOZ to simply empower and train a few of your men to do more of that local ministry right there in your church and in your community. It is our deepest desire that you simply see the fruit of this ministry - lost boys being saved, strong boys becoming leaders and men stepping into the battle for them. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us at 512-291-1113.

Sincerely,

Your KOZ Team

**"KOZ is an organization that seeks to train and empower men of the local church"**



## Pastoral / Church Staff / HTL Leadership Questions

- Do you believe these men are prepared and equipped spiritually to fulfill a commitment of youth mentorship and ministry?
- Do these men understand the KOZ *Statement of Faith* and does it align with your church?
- Would you recommend these men to lead this ministry at this time?
- Please provide a letter of recommendation with these answers to the men leaders requesting the KOZ program.
- The church should provide prayer for the team.
- The church can provide facilities, additional funding and other things that may be needed from time to time.
- The church can provide the platform for KOZ to launch by allowing flyers, notices and mentions of the leaders and the program.

### KOZ Belief Statement

#### God

*We believe that there is one true, perfect God. God eternally exists as one God in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

#### Jesus Christ

*We believe Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin, Mary. He lived a perfect, sinless life on earth and was obedient to God the Father. He voluntarily paid the price for the sins of all people by dying on the cross as our substitute. After His death, He was raised to life with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. Jesus then ascended into heaven and is now at the right hand of God where He is the only mediator between God and man.*

#### Holy Spirit

*Once we enter into a personal relationship with God, through faith in Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit comes to permanently reside (indwell) within each believer. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God and is thus fully and eternally God. The role of the Holy Spirit is helping us understand the Bible, convicting us of wrong and sin, giving us confidence in God, and enabling us to help others.*

#### The Bible

*We believe that the Bible is God's Word to us. The Bible was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is in essence, God's manual for our lives.*

#### Salvation

*We believe that salvation is the major theme of God's revelation in the Bible. In the Bible, we discover that throughout history man has been made right with God on the basis of faith. In the Old Testament, this faith looked forward to the coming of Christ, who would provide the ultimate payment for sin. Because of His great love for us, God provided forgiveness and eternal life through his Son, Jesus. When a person places their faith in Jesus Christ as the forgiver of their sins, they receive salvation as a free gift. This is the most important decision we will ever make in our life.*

#### Church

*The result of accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is that we become a part of His body, or "the Church" universal. The Church universal is not limited by denominations, but is limited only by whether or not we have placed our faith in Jesus Christ.*

#### KOZ PRAYER

Lord, Thank You for making us Strong and Fierce Warriors for You! We hunt, we fish and we share our faith with others. God Bless America. –Amen