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GCNext Leader North Central USA

Background:

How do you serve in GCI? I am on the GCNext team, representing the North Central region.

What is your role in your local congregation or the denomination as a whole? I serve in my congregation on the worship team and as a youth leader. I have been playing drums for my church for over a decade. We started our youth group about two years ago and I have been a part of facilitating those teen small groups sessions.

How did you connect with GCI? I grew up during the doctrinal changes but was too young to understand what has happening. I have been a part of GCI practically my entire life. I have stayed with GCI because of the people. From the sibling-like relationships I have built with people from my church, to the friendships through summer camps, to encouraging discussions with elders, I have been loved so well, since the beginning.



Get to Know Izzy

FAVORITE SCRIPTURE? ISAIAH 6:8, "THEN I HEARD THE VOICE OF THE LORD SAYING, 'WHOM SHALL I SEND? WHO WILL FOR US?' AND I SAID ' HERE AM I, SEND ME.'"



For what are you most grateful? The foundation of faith that my parents instilled in me.

What energizes you?

Heading to a gathering with friends. Whether its heading a park for some ultimate frisbee or volleyball, I'm hyped all the whole way there. Even chilling at a house with board games and snacks can have me giddy with excitement.



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What are 5 things you can't live without?

Spotify, deep dish pizza, memes, and barbeques with family.

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How do you experience or feel close to God? Worship through music.

5.

Everyone who knows you knows you love: Star Wars and sushi.

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