

SEPTEMBER 2018 SONLIGHT FAMILY JOURNAL

FALL IS HERE: YOUTH GROUP NEWS



It is hard to believe that another school year is already here. Most students are already back to school with a handful of homeschool and Christian school students yet to start. There is great excitement and nervousness among students as they start the school year. We are excited as leaders of the youth group as we think about the new year that is upon us. There are some changes and some things staying the same. Through it all, the mission is the same, to see students grow in

their faith in Jesus Christ. For some it is continuing and growing in their walk with Christ. For others it is starting their walk with Jesus. This year our Middle School students will be looking at the attributes of God all year. We want to get to know this awesome God that we get to serve. The high schoolers will be looking at the topic of relationships all year: parents, siblings, friends, authorities, the lost, etc. Our students will study God's Word and Lord willing grow in knowledge and wisdom. Some of the things staying the same this year: Fall retreat, Breakaway, Christmas progressive dinner, hoe down, laser tag, and corn maze.

With a new year comes some changes. The biggest change is in our format of youth group. This year on most 2nd Sundays and Wednesdays we will do our digging deeper right at the church. We will not have a normal youth group, but have a time to go deeper in our relationships as we talk about life, God, and how He is at work in our lives. All of this is centered around an activity we will do right at the church. On the 4th Sundays and Wednesdays, we are going to have a B.A.R.F. night. That stands for Bring a Real Friend. We want to emphasize more our relationships with the lost and have an opportunity where a meeting is geared towards our lost friends. The other small change is that high school youth group fellowship time after youth group will end at 8:30 this year. Many students left around then and so we want to be more intentional in using our time. This will correspond to choir getting finished.

As you see, there are lots of good things happening this year through the youth ministry. We will have fun, serve, and Lord willing grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ. Pray for our youth this year. Pray for the student leaders: Lauren Bailey, Annelise Kempfski, Sarah Miller, Mary Skinner, Luke Althoff, Eric Montefour, Dante Reid and Joseph Wolcott. Pray also for our adult leaders: Erica Colt, Seth Deitrick, Jon and Meg Menkis and Mike Wolcott. I know they would all appreciate your prayers.



Women Youth Leaders Needed!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

One Woman Wednesday Nights – Middle School – 6:30-8 p.m.

One Woman Sunday Nights – High School – 5:30-7:30 p.m.

See Mike Wolcott if you are interested.

Kids Club News for September

THE SCHOOL YEAR IS STARTING...

and our Kids Club year is about to begin! We hope all of our 2 year olds to 5th graders will be able to join us! Our first night is on Wednesday, September 12th. We'll kick it off with dinner at 5:30. Kids Club will start at 6:30 and run until 7:45. The 2 and 3 year olds will meet down stairs in the nursery wing. The 4 year olds all the way up to the 5th graders will meet in their various classes upstairs.



They are more than welcome to bring friends—in fact, this year we'll have special prizes for those who do! Please pray for our year—for our teachers as they seek the help of the Holy Spirit as they instruct the children, for all our different helpers that they will have joy & energy in what they have volunteered to do, for the students that their lives will be

changed by the Word of God, and that, above all, God will be glorified!

★ Our Mission Collections again this year will be for the missionaries in our church. Please pray that we will be an encouragement to them in their work and a spiritual help to those they minister to.


September

BIRTHDAYS

CHILDREN

- 1- ABIGAIL ABRAHAM**
- 2 - THON MAJOK**
- 16 - GWEN BLINBERRY**
- 22 - NIKOLAS ALLEN**

YOUTH

- 8 - ERik MontEfour
- 9 - Angel Mwaniki
- 28 - GRACE Van Bastelaar
- 28 - WEndY REN



COLLEGE

- 15 - ELIJAH LONIE**
- 19 - RACHEL SKINNER**
- 26 - SARAH MOORE**