

YOUTH GROUP NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2023

Unity in the body

The Great Wall of China. The Panama Canal. The International Space Station. The church. What is one thing they have in common (there can be many things)? None of them can be built by one person.

In order to come into being, a whole lot of people had to use their talents and gifts to contribute to the success of the project.

How many times in the church do we feel like we don't need the body of Christ? Too often. We don't want to burden other Christians with our problems, whether they are financial, relationship issues, or even basic questions or not so basic questions when it comes to what we believe as Christians. We don't want to burden other Christians with our struggles with sin. So what do we do? We go it alone. Part of being in the body of Christ means we share in these things and so much more. We live out our faith in the context of the body of Christ. When we don't share these struggles, these tasks, we are depriving the body of Christ from doing what it was meant to do: help each other, love each other and show the world whose we are - children of the living God, co-heirs with Jesus Christ.

Sports is always a great illustration of this truth. LeBron James could never have won any games without his team. Derek Jeter could never have won a world series by himself at shortstop. Tom Brady could never have won a Super bowl without his offensive line and defense. None of those guys would have gotten the greatest of all time (GOAT) status without their team. That team needed to work together to accomplish all that it did.

It is that way with the body of Christ. We need each other. We need to serve together. We need to show the world through our unity in life and purpose that we serve the living God. Let us pray we will do that in our youth group and church!



February Events

- 12th - Big Game Party
 - 6pm to 10pm - Sign up
 - Bring a snack & a friend
- 17th-19th - Breakaway Retreat
 - Meet 6pm Fri - eat dinner ahead of time
 - Get back 8pm Sunday Night

High School Youth Group

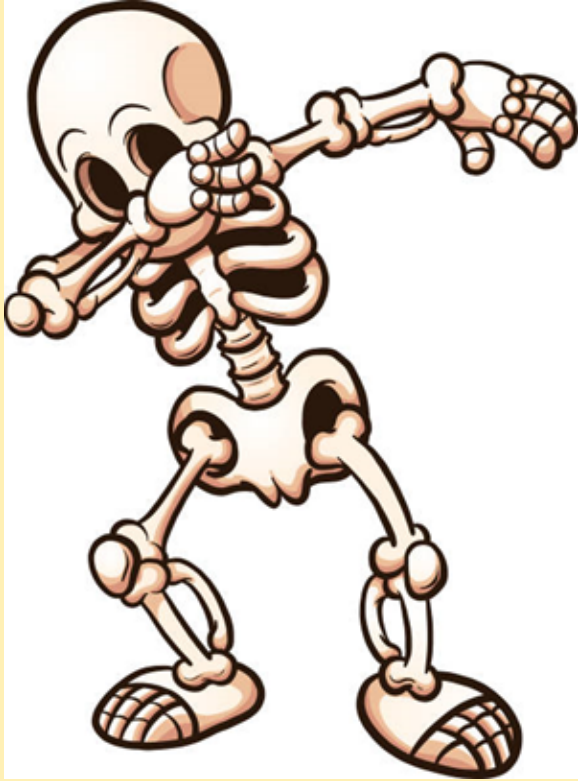
- 5th, 26th - 5:30-8 P.m.
- Dinner 5:30 to 6:00

Middle School Youth Group

- 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd - 6:30-8 P.m.



BIG GAME PARTY
FEBRUARY 12TH - 6PM TO 10PM
BRING A SNACK TO SHARE
SIGN UP IN THE YOUTH ROOM



BREAKAWAY RETREAT
"From Death to Life"
Ezekiel 36 & 37

Prayer For the Retreat:

1. Students' hearts and lives to be changed
2. Leaders who will disciple & lead our students
3. Timothy Brindle - speaker for the weekend
4. Unity of our group as we interact during free time, share and pray together in small groups
5. Someone from our group would come to faith in Jesus Christ for the first time.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2 - Nehara Andrews
7 - Matthew Zhang
24 - Daniel Wolcott
26 - Naomi Lorie

5 - Ronan Hauck
17 - Teagan Colt
24 - Seth Deitrick
27 - Tabitha Lorie



"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."
-Henry Ford