



The Painted Desert

Dear Friend,

There are 700+ students at Holbrook High School. Only two are in my congregation. Are the rest in yours? In a recent poll of the evangelical congregations in Holbrook, I've concluded that we have about 20 high school students in our churches, combined. There are perhaps 50 in the LDS church – no more – and maybe 20 at the Catholic Church. That's 90 high school students involved at some level at some kind of church. What about the other 600+ students?

This past year seven of our evangelical congregations have come together to talk about ministry with our own youth but also to dream about reaching out to the many unchurched youth of Holbrook. How exciting it's been to see the relationships between our congregations develop as we've prayed about this possibility! The Holy Spirit is moving amongst us!

We are happy to announce that we have partnered with Youth For Christ – currently ministering in 130 countries and within 170 cities in the United States – to share the Gospel with our own Holbrook youth. We are capitalizing upon YFC's resources and training to call a Youth Director to lead this ministry. We are hoping to have a God-ordained person in place by the start of the next school year.

We want to share with you this opportunity to make an eternal difference in the lives of our young people. We estimate it will cost \$60,000 annually to fund this ministry. Praise God, we already have \$15,000 in the bank. What will your role be in helping us raise the remainder? Whatever you determine to give, *be sure you do not lessen your support of your own congregation!* Your giving to this special outreach ministry must be over-and-above what you would give to your own church.

I commit to keep you posted on the status of our efforts. I would also welcome the opportunity to meet with you and talk further. No doubt there are others of your acquaintance who might like to be involved with this exciting, new ministry. I'd welcome the opportunity to contact them, as well. Let me know.

On behalf of our Youth Ministry Advisory Board, I want to thank you for partnering with us in this effort to reach more of our youth with the Gospel. We are convinced that we can do this better together – and see more of our young people become lifelong followers of Jesus Christ.

With joy!

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P.S. Please designate "Ministry Preference #31045-Painted Desert" on each donation to this ministry. Thank you!

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