



ALLIANCE YOUTH

GAC Youth News & Events October 2025

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Thursday Night at the Well (6:30pm - 8:15pm) & Youth Sunday School (9:30am - 10:30am)

On Thursday nights, both Middle School and High School students are invited to join us from 6:30-8:15pm at the church. These meetings are the hub of our youth ministry and are designed to play an important part in the lives of our teens.

On Sunday mornings, both Middle School and High School students meet each week in the Youth Room off of the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am for a fantastic lesson and a light breakfast. Additionally, check out our Youth Group seasonal schedule on the church website, app, and in the Youth Room.

Corn Maze - Thursday, October 9 (6:30-9:00pm) (Rain date October 16)

Our annual Corn Maze is coming up on October 9 at Lonesome Valley Farm (180 Fairgrounds Road, Greensburg, PA) by Westmoreland County Fairgrounds. As in past years we have rented out the entire maze for our group. This means there is no limit on the number of students that we can bring to the event, so please feel free to invite a ton of friends! Please sign up on the list on the youth bulletin board so that we have a general idea of the number of students going so we can give the cornmaze an idea of how to staff. If you want to bring extra friends on the day of the event it will be fine, the more the merrier. The maze will not include any of the haunted elements.

Important Details:

- We will meet at the maze (not the church!)
- Show up at 6:30pm SHARP so we can begin the event on time
- The cost is \$10 cash for admission on the day of the event (bring additional money for snacks)
- Bring a flashlight (not just your cell phone) and footwear that can get muddy

Youth Missions Trip to the Dominican Republic* – (June 13-20, 2026) *Registration Opens October 12!!!

We are excited about this fantastic opportunity that we will be offered our teens (15 and up as of June 2026) in the summer of 2026. On Saturday, June 13 we will be sending a group to the Dominican Republic for a week to minister in the capital, Santo Domingo at our Envision partnership site. This trip will involve a variety of ministry experiences for the team to participate in.

Keep an eye out on Sunday October 12 with the details for the trip including times, cost and eligibility. Registration will remain open for 6 weeks. Our goal is to offer this trip on a rotating basis. This will be the first trip to kick off our DR partnership! Make sure that you sign-up for this amazing experience!

An Evening with Dan Lawrence (IW- France) Sunday, October 19 (6:00pm)

All teens are invited to join us on the evening of Sunday, October 19 at 6pm to hear from our International Worker partner Dan Lawrence. Dan and Lisa have been serving faithfully in France for a number of years with the Alliance. This will be a special night to hear about what the Lord is doing in that field. This evening will also include French themed refreshments.

“Jolt” Middle School Retreat (Grades 6-8) - October 24-26 (Registration Deadline - October 12)

On October 24-26, all Middle school students (Grade 6-8) are invited to a District retreat called “Jolt” at Laurelville Camp in Mt. Pleasant, PA. The retreat will feature amazing speakers, awesome times of worship, fellowship, and tons of other fun stuff. The total cost for the retreat is \$115 per student. Event packets are available at the church and on the church website and app. To register please return a deposit of \$20 to the drop box in the Youth Room by October 12 and put your name on the clipboard. All money is due on the day of departure. A packing list with departure details will be distributed once registration closes. The deadline is approaching fast so please register soon!

Harvest Party - Thursday, October 23 (6:30-8:15pm)

Join us for a Fall themed Harvest Party! At the Harvest Party there will be awesome food, fun games, and competitions with prizes. For this year's party the theme will be “Country Western” so dress up, bring some friends, and prepare for an awesome night with an evangelistic message at the end that will highlight Jesus' call to have eyes that see that the harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few (Luke 10:2). There is no need to sign-up, just invite a friend and show up!

Operation Christmas Child Donations

Each year we collect various items through November to pack shoeboxes for our Operation Christmas Child outreach. Last year we set and exceeded an ambitious goal of 200 shoeboxes on our packing night and packed over 250 shoeboxes! This year we will be looking to do the same. To ensure that we collect adequate supplies, we will be putting up voluntary donation tags in the youth room to cover specific quantities of items (Ex. 25 notebooks, 20 Washcloths, 20 toothbrushes, Etc). These donation tags (located on the bulletin board in the youth room) we will ensure that we are able to send a large number of well-rounded boxes. Any donations can be returned to Rigel directly or placed in the OCC bin in the Youth Room.