

Youth News You Can Use

March-April 2016

We have had an amazing start to the New Year! Youth Assembly was a blast! We have been studying the life of Joseph and how to have the best year ever!

What are your visions for the next week? Month? Year? We will soon have a vision board at the Rock so we can see and pray over each other's visions.

We also have a live facebook.com group!! Here is the link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1535833113380921/>

Here are some things planned for the month of March and April:

March:

We will begin a new series called: So What! A study on John 1-11.

Come learn what God is doing in John 1-11.

March 6th: We are having our congregational retreat at Ebenezer. One of the topics to discuss is the Youth Leader position. Please plan to attend so you can join in the discussion.

March 15: ½ of mission trip due. More information will come out in the next week or 2.

March 20th: Younger Youth Easter Party @3pm. I will need older youth to help out in hiding the eggs.

March 25-April 1: Spring Break: We will not have Older Youth that Wednesday.

March 25: Good Friday Service: Plan to attend. I am planning on participating in the 24 hour prayer vigil. I would love it if I could get the youth group to sign up for a 30 minute slot. Let's pray over our group, our future Youth Minister, and the church.

We need to have 1-2 fundraisers this month for the Mission Trip. Bring your ideas and let's start planning.

The Rock's
Theme Verse:

The LORD is my
rock, my
fortress and my
deliverer; my
God is my rock,
in whom I take
refuge, my
shield and the
horn of my
salvation, my
stronghold.

~Psalm 18:2

April:

- DNOW Weekend: April 8-10
 - Theme: The Pause

The Pause will teach your students to “hit pause” to spend time growing their relationship with God. They'll learn how to pray, how to memorize Scripture, and how to study specific passages of the Bible. Basically, they'll learn how to develop the habits that will lead them into a vibrant relationship with Christ.

- **We are still need of volunteers for host homes and meals. There will be a sign-up sheet in the gallery for those interested in hosting, leading a small group, or preparing meals.**

We will use this month to also host another fundraiser for the mission trip. Again, start thinking and let's begin planning.

Other Things to Ponder:

At youth assembly, we focused on God's calling for your life. We talked about discerning God's still small voice in the midst of the world. How are you doing? It's not an easy thing to do. In our illustration of Marco Polo, we saw firsthand how hard it could be to pick out God's voice.

Challenge this Month:

Read the book of John. We are studying this on Wednesday nights. Read a chapter a week if you must (focusing on a little each day) and ask God, “What are you saying to me?” Stop and listen for God to speak. Write down what you hear Him saying. Let's practice hearing God's voice!

As always,

If you have anything you would like for our youth to do, please email me at nvsammons@gmail.com. I welcome all ideas and am always looking for new, fun, out of the box things to do with our youth.

Thank you for all your support. It truly means a lot to me. I am loving what God is doing in our group and I anticipate a lot of growing spiritually as we welcome God in the midst of our group!

Blessings,

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