

CotS Sr Youth

It's our annual retreat at Camp Asbury - 2nd only to the Youth Mission Trip - you don't want to miss it!



Note: this lodge is probably in Switzerland. Ours is in Hiram.

The main idea:

You = Visible Radiation

"Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven. "

(Matthew 5:14-16 - *The Message*)

RSVP by Tuesday! (I have to give the camp a count so they know how much food to buy)

Here's what you need to know:

- For all Sr. High Youth and friends
- Be at the Great Hall entrance of the church on Friday, March 12, at 5:45 pm. with all your stuff. We'll have Mrs. Krouse's Hearty Beef Stew (included in cost) at church and then leave for Camp Asbury at 6:30 pm.
- We'd love to have you for the whole time, but it's okay if you have to come out late or leave early - it's only a 45 minute drive. Just let Curt know and we'll make arrangements. (e.g., Mr. Evangelista is coming out to Camp on Saturday after Upward Basketball at 1:00 pm at the church - he can give you a ride)
- We'll return to church on Sunday, March 14 at 12:15 pm.

- Cost: \$35 (assistance is available, just see Curt)
- Phone number for emergencies: 330-466-2076 (Curt Campbell's cell phone)

440-728-0609 (Rev. Mark Steiger's cell phone)
330-569-3171 (Camp Asbury Office)

Here's what you need to bring:

- Clothes for the weekend - including casual stuff that can get dirty/wet
- Appropriate outer wear, **including hat, gloves, coat, boots or shoes (an extra pair is a good idea) for cold or rainy weather**
- Personal items - toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, medications
- Washcloth and towel (there are showers)
- Sleeping bag or sheets and blanket (the retreat center has bunk beds)
- Pillow
- YOUR BIBLE (We'll happily give you one to keep if you don't have one – let Curt know)
- Paper (or a notebook) and pencil
- A flashlight
- A water bottle WITH YOUR NAME ON IT
- A snack or drink to share – please not ALL chips! I love to eat fruit, veggies, granola bars, Cheetos Crunchy, etc., too!
- Optional: board game, football, soccer ball, frisbee, etc.

What NOT to bring:

- No cell phones, please!! Adults will have cell phones for emergencies, but the youth will be RETREATING from the wonderful world of cell phones.
- No electronics like iPods, DS's, CD players, etc. We'll bring a stereo to share music on, but please leave your personal devices at home.

Adult Team:

- Curt Campbell, Pete Evangelista, Laura Evangelista, Brent, Schoening, Cristy Shumaker, Rev. Mark Steiger, Janna Steinruck, Pat Sweeney

What to do NOW:

- RSVP right away if you haven't yet
- Pray for God to bless our weekend!

Medical Waiver / Permission Slip [\(download from the website\)](#)

If you haven't already done so, please fill out and bring a Medical Waiver for your youth. (Click the link above to download from our website.)

We must have one for every youth and it's good for the school year.

In the unlikely case that your youth is injured, this form contains contact info so we can reach you, permits doctors to give medical treatment, and informs the caregivers of pertinent information.

Please help us by having friend's parents complete the waiver and bring it with them to youth group.

What's Coming Up?

Service Saturday at Eliza Bryant Village + Mama Santa's Saturday, Mar. 20

9:45 am - 1:45 pm

Lead some bingo, serve some cookies/punch/cheese puffs, hang out with the residents, read to the residents.

Meet & pick up in the Jr Youth Room

Cost: \$3 for pizza/soda

Dewey's Coffee & Super Duper Night VI Friday, Mar. 26

7:30 pm - 11:00 pm

Super youth Rita Bole is playing at Dewey's (all contributions go to Haiti!) then we'll strike out in Super Duper mode

Meet & pick up at the Great Hall entrance of the church

Cost: few \$ if you want anything at Dewey's or if your Super Duper group grabs a bite to eat.

Good Friday Service & *The Passion of the Christ* Friday, Apr. 2

7:30 - 11:00 pm

Our Confirmation Class will lead the service and then we'll watch *The Passion of the Christ* in the youth room

Parents please note that this movie is rated R for sequences of graphic violence.

Save the Date

May 2 - Youth Sunday

May 23 - Confirmation Sunday

June 11-13 - Youth Annual Conference

June 19 - SummerFest

June 28-July 2 - VBS

July 24-30 - Youth Mission Trip

September 4-6 - Girls' Chrysalis Flight

Something to Think About

Instead you thrill to GOD's Word,
you chew on Scripture day and night.

You're a tree replanted in Eden,
bearing fresh fruit every month,

Never dropping a leaf,
always in blossom.

- Psalm 1:2-3 (*The Message*)

This should come as no surprise: the Bible says to read and study and know the Bible. But I love how it says "thrill" and "chew". That's not just reading the Bible - that's craving it - that's wrestling with it. That may be a lofty goal, but it can happen. Ask God to plant that excitement and drive in you, and then open up your Bible every day, even if just for a minute or two. It *will* happen.

Please call/e-mail/facebook me if you have any questions!

Peace!

-Curt



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