



2010 Yearly Theme: *JOY: Jesus, Others, and You*

Date	Theme	location
January 15-17	God Has Called and Gifted Each One	Troy Oaks
February 19-21	The Beauty of Discomfort	Pods: Richmond, Brighton, Hastings, Alaska
March 19-21	Formed in Christ	Riverview
April 23-25	Every Tribe, Nation, People, and Language	Union Ave. Congregation

What is Ventures?

Youth Venture for Christ, or Ventures, is a group of senior high aged youth that works to serve Christ by bringing ministry to a Community of Christ congregation and the surrounding community. It started in Detroit in 1972, and then started on the west side of the state in 1990, but has now grown to include the ENTIRE mission center. For short, we call these gatherings “huddles”.

What happens at a Huddle?

You arrive at the church between 7-8 p.m. on Friday for registration. The time we spend together Friday night is spent getting to know new and old friends as well as worshipping and going over the weekend's events. Saturday, we spend time in classes, worshipping, and a majority of time is spent planning and rehearsing the service. We also have a talent show (so come prepared) and visiting session with those in the congregation. There is also an activity like bowling or skating that occurs on Saturday. On Sunday, we put on the service for the congregation and then cleanup and debrief. Then it is off to Pizza Hut or some other restaurant for lunch and goodbyes.

Do I go home each night?

No. You will sleep in a host family's house with other youth.

What should I bring?

Items you should pack include: sleeping bag & pillow, toiletries, scriptures, gym clothes & swimsuit, dress clothes for Sunday, signed Medical Release and conduct forms, winter specific clothing.

Is there a cost?

Yes. It is \$20 per huddle to cover the costs and the t-shirt. That includes \$5 for lunch on Sunday. Please don't let money stop you from coming. If there are any problems, see a staff member. If you need a ride, contact a staff member.

If you have any other questions do not be afraid to ask a staff member or a member of the Youth Advisory Council. The Youth Advisory Council, or YACers, are a group of youth in our mission center who gather to discuss issues that pertain to what the youth will be doing. If you do not know who your area YAC-ers are, call Gabri Makowski to find out.



Acceptable Conduct Agreement 2010

We welcome and invite all high school aged youth to participate. Be aware that some habits might affect others negatively and will affect the spirit of the weekend. Please plan to use the weekend to seek support in overcoming unhealthy habits. We want to let you know in advance what conduct expectations are:

1. Youth are expected to act in a Christ-like manner at all times, showing respect toward others, self and property.
2. Youth are expected to remain with the rest of the group throughout the weekend. Because of this, any youth that drives to the host congregation for a huddle will turn in their keys upon arrival and retrieve them at the conclusion of the huddle.
3. Youth will remain in areas with the group that are supervised by staff and registered youth workers. Youth are not to go off alone, with only one adult, or with other youth without proper supervision. (There must be at least two adult staff with youth at all times.)
4. Drugs, alcohol, and tobacco (chewing or cigarettes) are not permitted at Venture huddles.
5. Swearing, cursing and using foul language is unacceptable at Venture huddles.
6. Youth are not allowed in stores or restaurants without proper staff supervision.
7. These rules apply for the **entire weekend**, without exception. This includes while the youth are at the host family's home. Youth are expected to follow the rules of the host family and treat them and their property with the utmost of respect.
8. Violation of these rules can result in immediate suspension from Youth Venture for Christ activities for a period of time commensurate with the offense. Parents may be called to come and get their youth if the behavior disrupts the ministry of the weekend.

**I AGREE TO FOLLOW THE YOUTH VENTURE FOR CHRIST
RULES AS STATED ABOVE:**

YOUTH SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

~ Parental Permission Slip 2010 ~

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CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM

Liability Release

In consideration of the right of _____ (name of participant) being accepted by the *Community of Christ* for participation in the *Youth Venture for Christ* youth activities for 2010, we (I) do for ourselves (myself) and for and on behalf of my child-participant (if said child is not 21 years of age or older) here release, forever discharge and agree to hold harmless the *Community of Christ* and its directors, agents, employees, assigns, and any subordinate units from any and all liability, claims or demands for personal injury, sickness, or death, as well as property damage and expenses, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned and the child-participant that occurs while said child is participating in above listed activities. We (I) have listed below any activity that my child should not participate in.

Further, authorization and permission is hereby given to said organization to furnish any necessary transportation and food for this participant.

The undersigned further agrees to hold harmless and indemnify said organizations, its directors, employees, and agents, assigns, and subordinate units for any liability sustained by said organizations as the result of the negligent, willful or intentional acts of said participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

If the participant has not attained the age of 21 years: We (I) are the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of this participant, and thereby grant our (my) permission for him (her) to participate fully in said event unless specific activities have been listed below. I also give our (my) permission to take said participant to a doctor or hospital and hereby authorize medical treatment, including but not limited to emergency surgery or medical treatment, and assume the responsibility of all medical bills, if any. I also agree that, if my child has an illness on the day of departure which could be harmful to him/her or to others, he/she will not be allowed to participate.

Further, I hereby give consent to and authorize the taking of photographs or videotape in which my child may appear. I hereby waive all right of privacy in and to any said pictures or tapes.

PLEASE LIST ACITIVITES CHILD CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN:

Authorization Signatures

We (I) have also read and agree to all statements in the liability release. We (I) consent to our (my) child's participation in the above activities.

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

Date

~ Medical Form ~

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PARTICIPANT'S

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

PARENTS'

NAME(S) _____ PHONE _____

Address _____

(number & street) (city)
(state) (zip code)

Participant's Birthdate: _____ Grade in School: _____ Home congregation _____

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION

Health Insurer _____ Insurance# _____ Group # _____

Physician

Name _____ Phone# _____

Person(s) to be notified in case of emergency if parent cannot be reached:

Name _____ Phone# _____

Name _____ Phone# _____

HEALTH ISSUES & HISTORY

List any special conditions such as bedwetting, fainting, sleep walking, or allergies participant has:

List any health, behavioral or emotional problems participant has, including current infectious diseases:

List any medications participant takes:

Name	Frequency	Dosage
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Date of Last Tetanus Shot _____

ACTIVITY RESTRICTIONS

In regards to my child's health issues, I do not want _____, to participate in the following types of activities: (child's name)

I have discussed these restrictions with my child and he/she understands them and agrees to abide by them.

Participant _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

Witness(optional)
