### **AMC YOUTH MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2018**

# YOUTH

## Live Passionately

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. Colossians 3:23-24

One thing that I have never been accused of is NOT being passionate about anything. Whether it's the red hair or just something I was taught to be as I was growing up, I never have been able to do something half way. When I commit to something, I am all in. This passage reminds me that that's actually what we're suppose to do.

This passage is giving us instructions for Christian households, how we should care and run our homes, but it can apply to all areas of our lives.

Passion is expected in sports and activities we are involved in. Sometimes, it's hard for me to look outside of myself and see the hurt in the world around me. I'm reminded of how blessed I am to live everyday without worry that my family will be split up by outside forces, or that I don't know where to go when I can't get food, or that I have a church family to worship with every week. What is the thing you love to do? Draw? Write? Shoot Hoops? Record Numbers? Have meaningful conversations? Play with Kids? I believe God has planted in us a desire to do the work He has called us to. It may not always be easy to find, we may have to dig and try on some different things before we find the right one, but God has called us to serve him. Our Mission Stays and Trips are designed, not only for us to help others, but to provide opportunities to learn about ourselves and what God is calling us to.

In this passage, Paul is reminding us to work with our whole heart. Not just with the parts that aren't being used at the moment, but with our WHOLE self. Then we will receive the reward our God has for us.

Are you ready to serve with your whole heart? If not, what is holding you back? If you need some aide getting into the right spirit, talk to one of your sponsors or parents. They're pretty wise!

## Youth Events

### June 3<sup>rd</sup> - Revival

We will meet at Ashley's at 6:45pm and walk over to the revival together. We will stay as long as the group wants to.

• June 10<sup>th</sup> – Bible Study

We will meet at the Youth House for our last study in Kingdom Focused. 6-8pm. As well as, prep Father's Day gifts for our church.

June 17<sup>th</sup> – Pond Party

All HS & Jr Youth families are invited out to Bryan Yoder's Pond for fellowship starting at 5pm

• June 24<sup>th</sup> - Cookout

Legacy has invited both youth groups to Glen & Rhonda's house for a cookout starting at 5pm. Bring a lawn chair!

# July Mission Trip Prep - Part 1

Read Isaiah 58:6-12, Proverbs 14:20-21, & Micah 6:8.

How might you be called to live out these verses during our week with SWAP?



"Yuuup. You was rigghhhht."



# **JrYouth Events**

June 17-19th - MISSION STAY!!! So excited to spend the night at the Youth House for a few days and do some great service work in our area! Here's the tentative schedule: June 17 5pm-? Fun & Sun at Bryan Yoder's Pond with our families. Dinner will be provided. After that, get settled in at the Youth House, devotion and sleep! June 18 8am - Wake Up 8-9am - Breakfast & Pack Lunch for the Day 9:15am - Leave For Mattoon 10-12pm - Catholic Charities in Mattoon 12-1pm - Lunch Break 1-3 pm - Douglas Hart Nature Center in Mattoon 4:30 - 6pm - TBD Service Work 7pm - Dinner provided by a congregation member Free Time 9:30 pm - Devotion Time & Sleep June 19 7am - Wake Up 7-8 am - Breakfast 8-9am - Travel to Urbana 9-11am - Salt & Light Ministries in Urbana 11-1pm - Out to Lunch (Youth Account Pays) and Drive Home 1-3pm - Volunteer at MCC Thrift Shop in Arthur 3-5pm - TBD Service Work 5-6pm - Youth House Packup & Cleanup 7pm - Dinner Provided by congregation member 8-9pm - Worship & Final Devotion Time 9pm - Parent Pickup!

<u>June 24th - Cookout with Legacy & Youth @ 5pm</u> Legacy has invited the JrYouth and the HS Youth to Glen & Rhonda's house for a cookout. Bring a Lawn Chair if you have one and prepare for intergenerational fellowship!