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Youth Newsletter, February 2012

In January, 17 of us went to Pigeon Forge. We spent a weekend having a great time with each other, several unbelievable times of worship, and an incredible experience sitting under God's word! It really was Awesome.

But, now what? We heard all weekend long about how we should Emerge and Engage, or Get out of our seats and Connect with the world around us. Whether you went or not, the message is the same. What have you done to connect or engage with people who do not have a relationship with Christ? What have you done to connect them to and engage them with the Word of God? This thing we call the Christian life is not a thing we do if we ever get time for it. It is who we are. Our relationship with God plays a role in how we see people and interact with them, it affects how seriously we take our school work, or the sport we play, or the musical instrument we play, it affects the decisions we make, and the people we spend our time with, it is who we are!

The question needs to be then, how much of a role does your relationship with God play in your life. Let me encourage you to spend time in God's word, spend time with God's people, draw your power and strength and endurance from Him, and do everything you can to reach people with His Gospel. This means spending time in the world as well. That is where people who do not know Jesus are. Don't fear it, don't hate those who are in it, and don't underestimate the power of the Spirit of God to change hearts! Remember, He will provide the strength, wisdom, endurance, skills, resources... and whatever else you need. We must be obedient in sharing the Gospel.

Jesus Saves! Lets work together to tell the world this good news!
Pastor Kris.

Winter Jam

Feb 4: We will leave the church at 1:00 pm. Eat lunch before you come, and bring some snacks that will fit in your pockets. Bags are not allowed inside the Coliseum (unless you are a female and they are subject to being searched). Bring money to buy food once you are inside, and \$10.00 for the concert. That is the suggested donation. Check out this years line up at <http://www.jamtour.com/>

OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE IS CHANGING!

Play time is still going to be after worship to allow the worship band an opportunity for a quick sound check before we begin. We are moving everything back half an hour to help more people to get here on time. I know some of you will be concerned about our free time, and I am too. It is important to be able to hang

Wednesday night helpers

I can't say thank you enough to those of you who volunteer on Wednesday nights. You make the whole experience better for me and for the youth. You have so much to add even beyond the work you do. I would like to invite all of you to join in on the conversation that takes place, and find a seat in and among the

out together, but the more important thing is our worship time and our time spent doing bible study. The new schedule is below:

**NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE
BEGINNING FEB 8**
6:00 Doors open
6:30 Worship Begins
7:45 Free Time and snacks for sell
8:30 Doors closed (go home!)

This schedule still allows for those without their after 9's to get home on time, and gives us time to fellowship after. It also gives you 30 more minutes to get your homework done before we start!!!

Youth Planning Team Meeting

I need to meet with the youth planning team on Feb. 12 @ 5:30 There will be no youth choir or drama that night, and the youth will be in the service with the Adults for a time of testimony and praise following the church conference that evening. We will be deciding on Summer camp, and looking at a couple of other things as well.

WE STILL NEED MORE ADULTS ON THIS TEAM!

I would like to have an adult from each youth Sunday School class there, and any other adults who are interested in helping in the youth ministry. It would be great if all of our regular volunteers would take part in this as well. The quality of the ministry will greatly improve as we work together to seek God's will for it, and work together to make it happen. The teens on this team are either appointed by me or by vote from their Sunday school class.

teenagers. They love you guys, and they need you too.

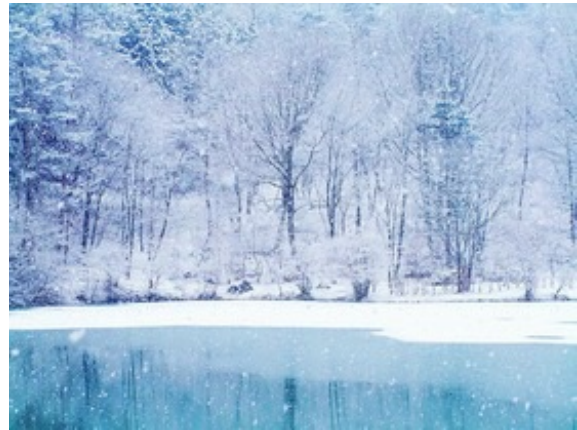
February Workers

Kitchen: Lori Walker

(kitchen helpers should be ready to serve when free time starts, and can begin cleaning up by 8:15 beginning Feb 8.)

Welcome/Sign in: ?

If you can be here by 5:30 and are willing to take phones away from teenagers and make sure they sign in, and welcome them with a smile... Please reply and let me know! I know it is hard for some of you to get here early, but I need an adult there to watch the phone box, and make sure no one is playing with other people's phones, and to get new people's info as they come in. I need this person from 6:00 - 7:00 beginning Feb 8.



Here is a bit of winter since it doesn't look like we will be getting any this year...

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