

# Youth Ministry @ United

## November 2020

Well, we have just wrapped up our Fall Retreat in the woods and on the river. What a weekend it was! Late Nights, Bug Bites, Worship, Capture the Flag, Kayaking, Swimming, Ultimate Frisbee, Prayer Walk and so much more. Five of our teens and three adults joined up with fifteen teens and four adults from Spring Hill, FL for a fun weekend together. It was incredible to see how quickly both groups connected with one another in just a short time. I pray that this is just the beginning of stronger connections and unity in our youth groups and churches!

It has been really neat to see and hear how so many of our teens are enjoying Hot Topics w/ Sam so far. And I personally enjoyed just being able to chat with one of our Parents during Hot Topics on November 1st. If you haven't been part of this yet, I strongly encourage both teens and parents to be there for the next one!

We are quickly approaching the Holiday Season, though it feels like we are already in it. This means there will be some calendar additions and cancelations to accommodate for Celebrations & Family Time. Check out the Calendar section below for that information, especially our CHRISTMAS PARTY!

### **On the Calendar**

**Bible Quiz Meet** (Apopka) → Nov. 21

**NO YOUTH GROUP** → Wednesday, Nov. 25

**Christmas Party** → December 13th @ 12-2pm

- We will eat lunch together, share in some Christmas festivities and wrap the day up with a White Elephant Gift Exchange. Each person should bring a wrapped gift worth \$5 - \$10.

**Christmas Movie Night** → December 16th @ 6:30pm

**NO YOUTH GROUP** → Wednesday, Dec. 23 & 30

**All-Church CHRISTMAS EVE Service** → Dec. 24 @ 6pm

**Hot Topics** → TBA

**Extreme Days** → January 30

- This is a one-day event on Saturday in Apopka focused on Athletics & Art. Performance submissions will be received via The Band App. Go to [thefloridany.com/extreme-days](http://thefloridany.com/extreme-days) for more information & to Register. Cost is only \$20.

**Sunday Morning Worship @ 10:45am | Wednesday Night Youth @ 6:30 - 8pm\***

**\*Now serving dinner on Wednesday Nights**

## **Teen Room Renovation**

We have been exploring some ways to improve our Teen Room to make it more inviting, exciting, cozy, and current. So far we have collected feedback from a majority of the teens through a survey. Below you can see some of the results from that survey. Our next step is to put together a proposal, which some of our Volunteer Youth Workers will be working on with me. Then we will share the proposal with our Church Board and explore fundraisers and dates to complete the approved projects together as an entire Youth Group.

***Some Survey Responses:*** 1) Make it a “space we could show off” 2) “More Modern” 3) “Add a cafe because I’m always hungry” 4) “Feels Welcoming”

***Fundraiser Responses:*** Bake Sale/Auction, Car Wash, Bike Day, Lunch, Sell Candy, Football Day

***Looking forward to exciting days together!***

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