

## Youth Ministry Director

### Report to Congregation Council

Peter A. Fox - December 2009

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. The YG year is winding down now for the winter break. No worries, there are still a few YG things left to do in 2009. The YG calendar is still the most jam-packed that it has ever been. New YG Nites, new retreats, new events, and new friendships all await our YG participants. A lot of hard work has gone into this year to make a success. There is truly something on almost every weekend. It will all be awesome!

The month of November was a blast. We started the month off with a YG NITE on the 1st. Around 50 YG and advisors came out for the night of faith, fun, and fellowship. At this YG NITE we continued to talk about our theme for the year, "Be the Change". The topic for this YG NITE was WORSHIP. This YG NITE focused in on getting kids to realize why worship is important in their lives. Also, it helped them to find ways to plug into the worship experience here at Trinity or in their home congregations. Through small groups and large group, the kids definitely got a lot out of this YG NITE. There was some powerful discussion. The very next Sunday was JR. HIGH MOVIE NITE. Around 20 YG and advisors came out for this Nite of total fun and fellowship. On Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> we had another YG NITE. The topic this time around was JESUS. This YG NITE focused in on what makes Jesus such a revolutionary figure in our lives. We looked at our own discipleship gifts and talked about ways to be more Christlike in our faith journey. All and all, this YG NITE pointed out the importance of making Jesus the number #1 priority in their lives. Once again, this YG NITE was a great one. The discussions were on point and the night was great in every way, shape and form. To close out the month, we had another movie nite, this time it was SR. HIGH MOVIE NITE. Around 20 YG and advisors came out for this Nite of total fun and fellowship. And there you have it, the month of November. Wow, it was quite a busy one now that I see it on paper.

The YG is once again stepping up its SERVICE with the SOUPER BOWL OF CARING this year. This is an event in which the YG collect money on Super Bowl Sunday from the congregation to give to a charity/food pantry. This year we are focused once again in support of "THE BRIDGE" which is

a food bank in New Cumberland. As with last year, we are taking the SOUPER BOWL OF CARING one step further. During the month of January the YG will be bringing non-perishable food items to every YG meeting instead of snacks. We hope to gather as much food as possible along with the money. I think the YG will step up and bring tons of food donations. We also look to involve the congregation with this campaign. In short, we want to get everyone involved in service to others. The YG will be posting many flyers around the church. Posted below is a copy of one of our flyers listing how you can be involved in our SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 2010. That's all for now, just wanted to share some of the things that the YG is doing in service to others. Well I'm off, I have a YG WINTER RETREAT to get ready for.\_

### SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 2010

**THE YG INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY SERVICE EVENT ON FEBRUARY 7, 2010. HELP THE YG SUPPORT OTHERS BY BRINGING YOUR MONEY AND NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS TO CHURCH ON FEBRUARY 7, 2010. ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS YG SERVANT EVENT GO TO SUPPORT "THE BRIDGE". IT IS A FOOD PANTRY IN NEW CUMBERLAND THAT SPECIALIZES IN FEEDING THE PEOPLE OF OUR OWN WEST SHORE COMMUNITY. PLEASE SUPPORT OUR YG SERVICE CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2010 AT ALL CHURCH SERVICES AND IN THE GATHERING SPACE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!\_**

**REMINDER: ALSO, PLEASE COME ON OUT AND SUPPORT OUR YG FUNDRAISERS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. WE NEED TO RAISE A LOT OF MONEY FOR OUR SR. HIGH SERVICE TRIP THIS COMING SUMMER.**

Yours In Christ,

Peter A. Fox

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