

Meeting Times

Laurens	Thursdays (6:30- 8:00pm)
Unatego	Thursdays (6:30- 8:30pm)
Walton	Tuesdays (6:00- 8:30pm)
Teen Center	Saturdays (6:30- 10:00pm)

Praises!

Praise God for the partnership with Word of Life and students who gave their time to work with us and share with teens at the Teen Center.

Our partnership with West Oneonta Baptist is bearing fruit as teens are attending their AWANA program, YFC's equine program and Lauren's club.

October 2014 Newsletter

Nice to meet you...



Hi, my name is Kristian Berggren. I've been following Christ as long as I can remember. For 6 years now I have volunteered with Youth for Christ and in September I became a staff member at YFC. I enjoy working with teens, in particular, running games and being involved with music ministry.

In January of 2014 I went to Aarhus, Denmark to work with YFC, Denmark. While in Denmark I joined the Je'kob tour. Je'kob is a Christian rapper. While traveling with the band I was given the opportunity to assist with the lighting system, gear setup and the merchandise table. Locally, I will be leading and working with the Youth for Christ Campus Life Clubs in Laurens and Walton. In addition, I will also be

helping at the Teen Center in Unadilla.

I have always felt that I wanted to do ministry, so I am looking forward to this opportunity to show God's love by serving. Currently, I am asking for prayer and/or financial support for this YFC teen mission. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office for details about how you might be able to provide support.

Kristian A. Berggren
Ministry Staff

What's New with the Teen Center....!

The Word Of Life Biblical Institute Praise Team, "The Unseen," came to the Teen Center on Saturday, October 11th. During the afternoon, teens from the center joined the Word Of Life group to help with raking leaves in the Unadilla area. Afterwards, everyone went back to the Teen Center for a little pizza (actually, a lot of pizza!), more fellowship, games and later "The Unseen" praise band led us in a wonderful time of praise. It is so exciting

Prayer Requests

Please be in prayer for increased attendance and more volunteers at the Lauren's club.

Please pray for new teens attending clubs and programs that they would accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior and continue with us through YFC and church.

Pray for a future regional conference our staff looks forward to attending and growing in how we can reach teens in our area.

Pray for those giving and receiving Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes, as it is a great opportunity to demonstrate and share God's love.

Thank you for all you have done and continue to do through prayer and financial support for Youth for Christ. Your help makes this all possible! Praise Jesus for His provision through you!

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Dorothy Davidson,
Executive Director

Mike Knowlton,
Ministry Staff

Kristian Berggren,
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Office Manager

to see young people using their God-given gifts to praise Him and for the teens to see that fun, fellowship and service can go hand in hand.

As we approach the Christmas season our YFC teens set a goal of filling 20 "Operation Christmas Child" shoeboxes. This is not only a great outreach, but it also provides teens with an opportunity to take some time to think of others. Each week various items are being brought to the center.



On Saturday, November 1st, we will have a Christmas party and pack the shoeboxes. I am sure they will accomplish their goal of filling 20 shoeboxes, although they may need help with the \$7 per box shipping charge. If anyone would like to help with the cost of shipping these boxes, please send your donations to our Youth for Christ office. The envelope included in this newsletter can be used to send the donation. Please indicate that you would like the money designated for shipping the shoeboxes.

We are fortunate that Unatego Community Church is partnering with the teens in this effort and that the teens' parents are also getting involved. This outreach is turning out to be a great way to bring all of us together to accomplish a goal that will have an impact around the world.

Thank you for keeping the teens and Youth for Christ in your prayers.

Mike Knowlton
Ministry Staff

*Operation Christmas Child is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse that sends gift-filled shoe boxes to children all over the world. It also allows for opportunities to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and God's love.

A Harvest to Come

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."
Galatians 6:9

At the end of this summer I attended my church's annual picnic. The church planned two baptisms in the creek nearby. Even though it was a cold day, the baptisms went on as planned. Before each baptism, a personal testimony was given. One man's testimony included the influence that Youth for Christ had in his life several years ago when he was younger and involved in YFC events.



This was such an encouragement for me. Our staff and volunteers work with teens throughout the years and in many cases we never see the fruits of our labor. We oftentimes do not see them accept Jesus as their Savior, or follow up with baptism. We also may never see them grow as Christians or witness them making good decisions about events or activities in their lives.

Seeing this man many years later speaking of the way his life was changed and that YFC staff and volunteers were instrumental in planting those seeds gave me hope. From this baptism, I was encouraged that seeds planted today will be watered by our Lord and Savior, just as He has promised.

Through our various programs, we will continue to plant seeds with teens on a regular basis here at YFC. Thank you for your continued prayer and financial support. It will allow us to keep reaching out to the young people in our local areas.

Dorothy Davidson
Executive Director



Coming up Soon!

*Look for our newest YFC Catalog 2014-2015, coming up next month! There are so many needs you can help with!

*Our annual banquet is coming up! More information to come.

*We will be having another 5K Run/Walk. Details are still in the works.