

Meeting Times

- Teen Center **Saturdays**
(6:30-10pm)
- Laurens **Wednesdays-
Meeting Day
may be
changing.**
(6:30-8pm)
- Unadilla **Thursdays**
(6:30-8:30pm)
- Walton **Tuesdays**
(6:30-8:20pm)

Future Events

Christmas
Shoebox Party
**Donations of
Items Needed
for Shoeboxes
and for
Shipping-
\$7.00/box**

Nov. 12 @
Teen Center



Look for our
annual
Catalog
containing
information
about specific
needs.

Mailing at the
end of Nov.
to Beg. of
Dec.

October/November 2016 Newsletter



Opportunities

The YFC Show Team that meets regularly from spring through the fall is winding down for the season. We have had a consistent number of teens attending, including several kids who regularly attend church. This has given some of the teens opportunities for teaching during lesson times. I am excited that this is challenging them to study the Bible and to work on presenting God to a group of people. My hope is that they will also become prepared to talk with their friends and family about who Jesus is.

YFC is an evangelistic organization but also includes student leader programs. Part of this leadership program includes preparation for teens to become leaders among their peers and to give them opportunities to share their faith.

Recently, YFC entered into a new opportunity with Friends of Recovery of Delaware and Otsego Counties and Family Resource Network. These organizations will be using the teen center in Unadilla once a month for meetings with area teens in a program called, "The Clubhouse Project". The meetings will consist of games, speakers and/or discussions about ways to prevent and recover from substance use disorders. Please keep this new partnership in prayer.

A group of YFC staff will attend the YFC regional conference in early November. This is a great time for the staff to gather together and be spiritually challenged and restored. I am looking forward to this time together and to the conference. The northeast conference affords us a great time of networking with staff, volunteers and Board members from other chapters and from the YFC National organization. Thank you for your support that allows us to participate in this opportunity.

Dorothy Davidson, Executive Director

Praises:

For a church baptism of 6 people involved with YFC programs in the past.

For the continued attendance and interest in the Show Team and also for a new helpful volunteer.

For new equipment in the YFC office.

Prayer Requests:

For the promotion of Parent Life to teens that would benefit from involvement with the program.

That attendance and participation in the Campus Life Clubs and the Teen Center would continue to grow throughout the year.

For the Regional YFC Conference Nov. 4-6th, a time for growth and relationship building for the staff.

For the partnership of YFC and the Friends of Recovery/Family Resource Network as they utilize the Teen Center. Pray that this program will be able to have a positive impact for teens who participate.

Central NY YFC Staff:

Dorothy Davidson,
Executive Director

Mike Knowlton,
Ministry Staff

Kristian Berggren,
Ministry Staff

Jody Wisse,
Office Manager



Walton + Unatego Campus Life Programs and Teen Center Outreach

Walton Campus Life Club is off to a great start this year! We use the Townsend Street Elementary School and begin each evening in the gym playing various games including dodge-ball, giant tic-tac-toe, rainbow tag in many forms, and elbow tag as well as games that build relationships. Next, we head to the cafeteria for a Bible lesson. This year we are using a curriculum called “Youth Bytes.” It’s a video series with over the top object lessons to help teens really remember the truths presented. For example, in the topic on temptation, the video starts in Las Vegas showing a small python. We watch the small python grow and grow, with an ever increasing appetite for larger meals. As the python grows in strength it eventually becomes deadly. This python represents sin and depicts the idea that if we feed sin, it will grow and grow, increasing in appetite and becoming something beyond what we can control--even deadly to us. I think this series is making quite a memorable impression on the teens. We end the meeting with snacks and “hanging-out” time.

The Unadilla Campus Life Club is also doing well and meets at the Unadilla Elementary School. These teens love to play dodgeball and kickball. We also use the “Youth Bytes” series for the Unadilla club lesson time.

The Teen Center in Unadilla continues to be a popular place for area teens to hang out on Saturday nights. The last few warm Saturday nights of the summer we enjoyed a very popular foam slip and slide. Piles and piles of foam poured out of our homemade foam machine. It was a great time!

Word of Life Bible Institute (WOL) sent a praise team to the Teen Center last Saturday. They arrived at lunchtime. Area teens and WOL students started getting to know each other over lunch. After lunch everyone participated in yardwork outside of the Teen Center, followed by a game of archery tag, which WOL brought with them. Archery tag was huge hit! We then headed back inside the center for pizza and more fellowship! During the evening, the praise team led a time of worship and gave a great message. Several of the teens connected with the WOL students, praying and talking afterwards.

On Sundays, we have had between 5 – 8 teens attending church with us each week, including 2 being baptized!

Please be in prayer for the YFC teens and the YFC programs during this school year, Michael Knowlton



“The
Enchanted
Bike Tour”

YFC’s 36th
Annual Bike
Trip-August
2016

Oneonta to
Old Forge,
NY