

CCC Youth Ministries

What's been happening?

Toys for Afghanistan: Over two Wednesdays, our youth gathered toys to send to some soldiers who will be traveling to Afghanistan. The soldiers then hand out these toys to the children there. It's a great way to bring joy to the kids in a war torn area. We collected three large boxes full of toys and shipped them off.

Outreach with Mission Waco: Our youth gathered at 9 am on a Wednesday morning to help Mission Waco get lunch bags prepared for children who need them. Our group of youth worked so hard, Mission Waco was bringing us two more projects by 10 am. We stuffed invitations and helped prepare some items for upcoming poverty simulations.

After the work was done, we had lunch at World Cup Café then toured the Mission Waco buildings located on 15th and Colcord.

Back to School Bash: On Saturday, August 20, we got to the church at 9 am for a day of fun and fellowship. We started off the day with some small service giving back to the church. In thanks for letting us use the church van so much, our youth washed the van and cleaned it out.

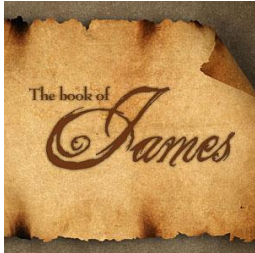
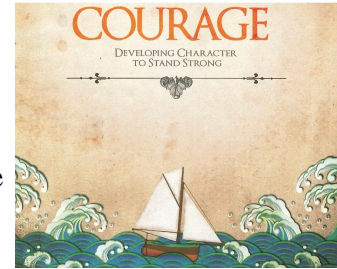
Then we loaded up and went to play paintball. Our youth strapped on their gear and had a blast in the heat working as teams to win together. 3 hours, 48 water bottles, and a few welts later, we all piled back into the van to go swimming. At the Durbin's pool, we cooled off, had fun, and ate us some hot dogs. A huge thanks to the Durbins for lending us their pool and grill.

August Bible Study: We spent Wednesday nights looking at some famous flash mob videos and applying them to our faith. Using scriptures and these videos, we learned to break down walls between ourselves and others. We also learned that even when we stray from God, he always welcomes us back with huge open arms and a party.



What's coming up with the Youth Group?

Courage: We just started our series called Courage. We're looking into scriptures and watching videos that will help us have the courage to stand strong in our faith even when the peer pressure or ridicule makes it hard. We started this series on August 24 and it will continue until September 14.



James: In Sunday School, we're diving into the book of James. James gives us great practical advice on how to live our faith out every day. As we work chapter by chapter through James, we're hopefully going to find some tips and encouragement on how to find the courage to live our faith even when it's not easy.

Kings Club: We're taking an experience we had down in Galveston and helping out in Waco in the same way. King's club is a program that brings Bible Study and fun to children who live in hard situations. Hopefully, by bringing them joy through games and Bible study, we can be a light for Christ to some of these kids who live very hard lives. Once a month, our youth group will be heading out and spending a morning with these wonderful children.

Our first King's Club outreach project will be **Saturday morning, September 24**. This is an opportunity that isn't just open to the youth group. If you would like to come and play with some great kids, let Trent know by September 11.

Lunch Bunch: Lunch Bunch is back! We'll meet at Fuddruckers on Saturday, September 10 at noon. Bring your own money (you can eat for about \$6 - \$8 bucks a person). We'll eat, drink, and be merry. The youth will be ready to be picked back up at 1:30 pm.

Upcoming Youth Events:

August 23-September 14: Courage Series on Wednesday Nights
Sundays in September: James series

September 10: Lunch Bunch is Back: Fuddruckers

September 24: King's Club

October 1: The pumpkins are coming!!!

Want to help our youth out?

We've got a new snack supper signup sheet at the end of the hall down by the Fireside Room. Snack supper is a great way to help out our youth ministry and it gives you a chance to spend some time with these awesome youth, also. Snack supper can be anything: hot dogs, baked potatoes, pizza, burgers! It's inexpensive and easy. You can even get reimbursed from the youth department for your costs.