

YFC MONTHLY NEWS



JULY 2024

YFC ENGAGES LOST TEENS IN CHRIST-SHARING RELATIONSHIPS

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: An eight-hour drive to camp. One big bus (no A/C), two smaller ones, and several other support vehicles. A trailer full of luggage. A fearless crew drives through the 100-degree heat of the central valley, finally arriving in paradise: Forest Home Ojai, a camp near the Ventura beach. Kids got to experience surfing, zipline, rock wall climbing, and a cool, fresh ocean climate. They got to swim, eat a lot, hang out at the campfire, have smores, play night games chasing glowsticks, and generally be wild and crazy kids. If this weren't



enough, they enjoyed great speakers who spoke to our condition as sinners and our need for a savior, and debriefed during cabin time. They played a game called "Crud Wars" where they coated each other with flour, water, shaving cream, and chocolate syrup! The object lesson was about the mess that sin causes in our lives. **And what is the solution to the mess? Only Jesus.** Several kids made the decision to follow Christ last month at camp, and four more asked to be baptized on the spot - in the ocean (I told them that required parental approval, which they hastily obtained!). Thanks to many donors, volunteers and prayer warriors, camp was an amazing and memorable

time. We are in the business of life change, and camp is often the place where everything changes!



Thank you for your support for our camps and programs. The middle school kids will be going to Santa Cruz at the end of this month. It's not too late to support camp through prayer and financial gifts. **Your involvement makes a difference!**



IN OTHER NEWS: Besides summer camp, YFC staff and volunteers were attending graduation parties, pool parties, leading VBS, providing swimming and pickle ball lessons, beginning small group meetings and bible studies... serving communities with students... following up with new believers....and leaving for other camps and hiking trips! Summer is just a different kind of busy.

DATES TO REMEMBER: (Sign-ups and information will be available at yfcsacramento.org)

- **July 30 - Aug 2: YFC Middle School Summer Camp** at Daybreak Camp in Felton, CA.
- **Saturday, September 28: YFC Comedy Café Dessert Night**, a fundraiser celebrating 20 years at the Collings Teen Center! Experience the zany comedy of Daren Streblov, enjoy a tasty dessert, hear stories of life transformation, and support YFC! Call our office at (916) 857-0660 for details or to reserve your table. Tickets on sale online starting July 15.

CURRENT NEEDS LIST: in addition to general fund needs:

\$499: Total cost per kid for middle school summer camp 2024 scholarships (goal remaining 50 kids)

It is our privilege to work with you to reach kids for Christ.

Together for the Gospel,

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