




VALLEY YOUTH COMMUNIQUE

JANUARY 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Right (and below): The Dec. 21st reunion dinner was a wonderful time of reconnecting with old friends, remembering fun mission trips, looking through the photo albums and sharing current and future plans. A delicious dinner prepared by Sandy Cundiff, Pat Bird and Patsy Bryant was enjoyed by all. Our high school students helped by greeting the returning young adults and serving dinner.</p>						2
3 8:30 am Worship 10 am WORSHIP Communion and Sunday School	4	5 High School UTH Tues. 7-9pm Dinner and Ben's Parable	6 Middle School L.I.F.E. Wed. 6:30 - 8:30pm Epiphany dinner	7	8	9
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Interim Youth Directors Jenny Pratt and Karen Yakymi

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High School UGH

Tuesdays 7 - 9 pm

Middle School L.I.F.E.

Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Worship Sundays 8:30am
Traditional worship 10:00am

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MISSION JAR SALE HUGE SUCCESS

Our mission trip fundraising is off to a great start. We raised \$1850.00 selling food and beverage jars. Many thanks to Ruthann Marquis and her team of volunteers, Marilyn Tuffs, Linda Nicola, Pat Bird, Sandy Cundiff and David Marquis. A big thanks to our Valley family for so faithfully supporting youth in mission.

Special Middle School Events in January

Jan. 29th, Middle School Guys'

Night! That's right it's a guys only hang time. Join Eli and a group of high school staff guys for our first, Man's Night of 2010. 7-11pm

Middle School Friday Night Frenzy coming this month on Jan. 15th. Join us for a special evening of fun, food and wacky games!! Come hang out!

High School News

Each of our Valley high school students is an amazing and unique gift to our church and to the world. I never cease to be touched by their intellectual discussion and questions, their spiritual depth, honesty, genuineness, and their joy-filled, fun spirits.

The high school group participated in Night Strike recently in ministering to people during the coldest week of the year who live in downtown Portland without homes. The youth also went shopping together, pooled their money, and packed two duffel bags for the "unaccompanied youth" in the Beaverton School District. (If you are interested in being a part of this much-needed project, please let us know, as we hope to make it an ongoing ministry.)

Our recent conversations and learning have revolved around justice and injustice in the world, and God's heart and desire for the people living throughout the globe. Their challenge to themselves has been to love the people around them, even when it's difficult, and in this small, powerful way, to fight injustice. What an outstanding challenge for us all.

Middle School L.I.F.E.

December was a meaningful, rewarding and fun month for our middle school youth. We talked about the birth of Christ and how His birth changed the world. We challenged each other to find the true meaning of Christmas in simple everyday life. Many of the kids brought toys, for our Salvation Army Giving Tree and food for the Oregon Food Bank, to share with those in need. Each week we prayed for grandparents, neighbors, sick friends, pets, and anyone who needed a prayer. This group of wonderful kids not only discovered the true meaning of Christmas they made a difference in the life of others. Love, hope and peace is our wish for each of you in the New Year.