



Youth SERVING CHRIST Ministries

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Dear YSC Friends,

It is a great comfort to know that true believers are serving the living God. God's will has been and will always be the right direction for all of us. Romans 1:18-20 reads, "But (God) shows His anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who push the truth away from themselves." "For the truth about God is known to them instinctively." "God has put this knowledge in their hearts." "From the time the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky and all that God made." "They can clearly see His invisible qualities, His eternal power, and His divine nature." "So they have no excuse whatsoever for not knowing God."

Our youth must be coached, taught, to have pure appetites! Jesus taught in the beatitudes, Matthew 5:6, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." It is a challenge for anyone in youth evangelism to demonstrate to kids, by word and deed that twisted appetites can lead to death. "For the wages of sin is death". Romans 6:23 Youth need to know that you can sincerely love the Lord and live an obedient life for Him. It's not impossible! Satan has convinced multitudes of youth that depravity is good and living a pure life for God is a waste of time. By God's grace, it is our job to communicate to kids that the wages of sin is death! Death mentally, physically, socially, emotionally and spiritually. How desperately our youth need salvation through a life changing relationship with Jesus Christ! We do not acknowledge Christ as Savior and healer in vain!

A couple of weeks ago after a Square One meeting, I took a young student home. What he shared with me was heart breaking. I asked what kind of work does your father do? He said, "His father was in prison for the second time for drugs." He also said that two days previous his step father committed suicide after a fight with his mother. A parent called me to confirm this. The father had hung himself! When I asked about his mom, he said that she is a waitress. He embarrassingly said, "In a strip club." I was able to make a connection with our youth minister at church and this young man has been in church for the last two weeks! We pray this can be consistent. This is not uncommon for many of the youth that we come in contact with.

Many kids start life with two strikes against them. If you could follow me around for a week, it would be plain that we in YSC are truly on the mission field. If we did not believe in the Spirit of Christ and the power of the gospel, we would not be in this business. Satan has blinded many to the truth. We approach our kids with mercy and understanding. Outside of God's grace, Garri George and each of us would be in a devastating lost condition!

Many of you have thanked me for the sketches! I am humbled and thankful for this.

Again, by God's grace, Garri Jr. and I are planning another 400 mile bike trip to Tennessee. We are working on a date in May.

Dr. Kevin Luksus along with a committee is organizing an all-day bicycle event for all ages on September 29! More later.

*Note the Golf Scramble, **Save the Date** on the back.*

Garri George

PS Year-end receipts are in the mail. Our main printer, after almost 20 years has quit and our other printer is giving some problems, so if you did not get a receipt and need one please let us know. Thank you for all your support!