

P.O.P YOUTH GROUP NEWS

October 2007

BOWLING – SATURDAY 10/13

We will be bowling Saturday 10/13 at Ocean Lanes (732) 938-4500, which is in Lakewood at the corners of Rt. 88 and Chambersbridge Road. We will meet at 12:00 noon at Ocean Lanes and start with Pizza and soda. Each child will be bowling two games and may invite one friend free of charge. Pick up is estimated to be 2:00 p.m. This is open to all youth grades 4 and up without a parent.

Children in grades K-3 may attend but we ask that a parent stay. Due to the short time frame involved you MUST sign up this Sunday, 10/7 or call Denise Abdul-Malak at 732-840-3883 by Weds. 10/10. Please leave a phone number that you can be reached at if you leave a message. Sign-up sheet is on the Teen bulletin board located in the church narthex.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are once again collecting items for Operation Christmas Child which is run by Samaritan's Purse (a Christian organization started by Billy Graham). They send shoeboxes filled with age appropriate items and the message of Christ to children who would not otherwise receive any gifts or may not know of Jesus' birth. We are asking for donations of small toys (please pick durable items); personal grooming items such as bars of soap, small toothpastes, washcloths, hair care items etc.; and small school supplies such as pencils, crayons, small pads of paper. Items cannot be liquid or breakable. Also remember that the children receiving the items do not have access in some cases to electricity or batteries. Also, please do not include any toys that relate to war. Items can be appropriate for any age between 2 – 12 years old and we need them for boys and girls.

We also need donations of checks for \$7.00 made out to Samaritan's Purse (one check will be needed for each shoebox we send and we hope to send at least 30 boxes this year) and empty shoeboxes.

All donations are needed by Sunday 10/28 and we are asking that our youth group members in grades 5 and up stay after the late services on Sunday 11/4 and help package the shoeboxes. We will meet in the teen room in the middle building and there will be refreshments. Parents are welcome to stay and help also. A sign-up sheet is located on the Teen bulletin board located in the church narthex so we can provide enough refreshments.

WORLD VISION 30 HOUR FAMINE

We will be holding a 30 hour famine to raise funds for World Vision and Food For The Poor (which works primarily in the Caribbean).

We will begin fasting at 6:00 p.m. on Friday 11/23 (the day after Thanksgiving), meet at the Church on Saturday 11/24 where we will have planned activities, break our fast together at midnight, and then sleep over and go to Church together on Sunday 11/25. More information will be distributed in a separate letter. We will also offer options for children too young to fast so that they can participate in some way.

UPCOMING YOUTH ORIENTED DATES

- 10/13 – Bowling Ocean Lanes 12 – 2 p.m.
- 10/27 – Youth Group Gift Auction 6:30 p.m.
(See back of Sheet for details)
- 10/28 – Operation Christmas Child donations due
- 11/04 – Meet in Teen Room to package shoeboxes
Refreshments will be served
- 11/23 – 6:00 p.m. 30 Hour Famine Starts
- 11/24 – 30 Hour Famine meets at Church
- 12/02 – Advent Festival in Parish Hall after Dress
Rehearsal; food and crafts
- 12/08 – Christmas Caroling at local nursing homes,
Refreshments after in Teen Room
(More info will follow)
- January 2007 (Date and info will follow shortly)
Friday to Sunday NJ District Winter Youth
Gathering

PRINCE OF PEACE YOUTH GROUP ANNUAL GIFT AUCTION

Saturday, October 27th
Prince of Peace Parish Hall

Door Open at 6:30, Drawings begins at 7:30

Tickets are \$10 which includes:
Entry into door prize and first set of general prize tickets
Light Refreshments will be served

This year we will once again offer a grand prize table with gifts valued at over \$100.00. We will have over 100 prizes offered.

Youth group members who can carry prizes are welcome to act as runners. No children are allowed to be in the room with their parents so please be sure runners can be unsupervised.

We are still accepting donations of new gift items and gift baskets. A sign-up sheet will be in the narthex for volunteers to help the day of the auction, and donate baked goods. We will begin selling tickets on Sunday, October 7th, simply sign up for the number of tickets needed. Payment can be cash or checks made out to Prince of Peace Church (please mark youth group in the memo line).

Questions, ask Denise Abdul-Malak, Jennie Plaska, or Tricia McAllister.