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GOD'S PLAN...DIFFERENT

"What does the future hold? We are going to explore the book of Revelation. Join us and dive into learning just who this Jesus really is."

That was the facebook post inviting the Garage middle school students to a small group study.

A number of the students had asked about end time events so the volunteer team decided to answer their questions. They met to discuss the study, prayed, choose a curriculum and a qualified leader and then invited the kids. They were so excited about the opportunity to teach the teens on this subject. The schedule was set, the snacks purchased, and anticipation hung in the air. And then...week after week none of the teens not even the ones who had asked the questions in the first place showed up. A bit disappointed but not disheartened the team decided to meet each week anyway and study together the material they had prepared for their kids. It turned out to be a wonderful time of team building and learning.



Things often play out differently than we plan. In fact that is far more the norm than the exception. We quit being surprised by that long ago.

"My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the Lord. "And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8,9)

So YFC Wadsworth volunteers continue to do their part to tell kids "who this Jesus really is. We do it by being prepared, prayed up, and doing some planning. And then we find comfort in the true belief that God has a plan even better than ours with the result He wishes to accomplish in the way that glorifies Him the most. What a life!

Last month we told you that some of the Garage MS kids had been invited to an event at Freshwater Community Church. It turned out to be a great time of integrating the two groups. Here's what one of our teens had to say;

"It was a lot of fun I really liked it, next time we should have the Freshwater people over to the Garage to have a movie night."

The Garage MSers are already asking when they can get together with the Freshwater youth group again.

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TEEN STATS

Children with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder are up to three times more likely than other kids to use, abuse or become dependent on substances such as nicotine, cocaine and marijuana in adolescence and as young adults, new research suggests

- Chicago Sun Times 4/2011

The Grace of Giving

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. (2 Corinthians 8: 1-5 ESV)

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BACKATCHA BLESSING

As a volunteer at the Garage, I have found myself giving rides to teens to and from club meetings on a regular basis. This has become a pure joy for me, as I get to spend quality time with whomever might be in my car on any given night. There is one girl in particular who asks me for a ride on a weekly basis, and we have established a great relationship through our time together. Recently, she approached me with a smile and asked kindly for a ride home. Only this week was different: as I was saying "of course I'll take you home," she presented me with money and said "gas money!" Though I tried my best to decline the money, she insisted that I take it as a thank you for all the rides. What a great display of thoughtfulness and gratitude! As it happens so often at the Garage, in my efforts to share the love of Christ with the teens, I believe I am the one who came away blessed!

Theresa, Garage Middle School

BEETEEM SPORTS NOW OPEN

Pro shop at the Garage is now open. Shopping at Beeteem supports the Garage!



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the team to be on for bikes and boards

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(same location as The Garage)

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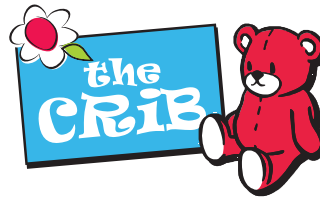
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TEEN MOMS UPDATE

Our girls in the Teen Moms group have really been bonding and enjoying getting to know each other! Some of our recent meetings have consisted of Bible studies, speakers on nutrition and the importance of reading to your children and a spa night for the teen moms! Things are kind of a whirlwind for us...we are thrilled to have several new faces in our group and we just said a good-bye to one of our girls, who was with us since this group began. It was a sad good-bye, but also one filled with joy and pride for her because she is heading to college to study international business! We are so proud of the accomplishments she has achieved since she first joined teen moms!



Our "Crib" supply store is visited frequently by the girls and is such a blessing for them! It is getting a face lift this month with a bunch of new shelving and racks. We are always

looking for new or gently used clothing and baby equipment, cribs, diapers, etc. Please contact me at 330-334-4219 if you have any donations! Thanks for your support !!
-Laurie Beal, Teen Moms Coordinator

OPEN "THE DOOR"

The café, named The Door, is days away from being able to open. Here is a short list of supplies still needed. Perhaps you or your group would like to help in one of these ways.

- underlayment for flooring (gift of \$250.00)
- trim (gift of \$366)
- 8 industrial style bar stools (gift of \$360)
- Commercial Popcorn Machine
- 2 booth size tables (we have the booths)
- 2 booth table bases
- 2 cans of chalk board paint
- food storage containers
- 2- 36" to 42" flat panel tv's
- 2- wall mounts for flat panel tv's
- 1 XBOX 360 with 2 controllers
- heat and eat foods



Thanks for your support!