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NOTES FROM THE JOURNEY...



DIRECTOR'S NOTES

I have been listening to Vertical Worship's song, "Faithful Now" a fair bit lately. I love the lyrics to the chorus:

*'Cause You make mountains move
You make giants fall
And You use songs of praise
To shake prison walls
And I will speak to my fear,
I will preach to my doubt
That You were faithful then,
You'll be faithful now*

This spring has been a bit of a roller-coaster ride. Ministry has been moving ahead strong and I am so thankful for that. God has been so faithful.

At Woodrow Wilson High School we got to continue our lunches and relationship building with the students and once again we hosted their Graduation Celebration. We were so excited to be able to do it this year with all their family and friends and wouldn't you know it, it also just so happened to be the hottest day of the year with an outdoor graduation. 103 Degrees

but we certainly didn't mind...we were celebrating these amazing kids graduating in person.

In detention we are working through the Alpha Series which is about the basics of the Christian faith and we are having so much fun with it. The kids have been very open with lots of questions and discussion. I believe God is truly moving in many of their hearts. On top of that our amazing volunteers are hosting Bible studies with the kids and ministering one-on-one.

Currently we are looking to the fall and excited to be back in the alternative school in Moorhead after a year of being out due to COVID. We hope to be back in Dakota High School (formerly Woodrow Wilson High School) full time come fall.

The toughest part of this spring was saying "goodbye" to Mike King after 18 years of ministry. Currently we are looking for new staff members and are asking for your prayers in this. You'll find a bit more

about this inside the newsletter but I find myself hanging on to the last words of that chorus..." You were faithful then, You'll be faithful now."

If you missed Concert for a Cause and our night of worship with Vertical Worship I want to invite you to mark your calendar for Friday November 19th. Concert for a Cause will again be a night of worship and this year it will feature Mack Brock. I am so excited to worship our faithful God together and share God's faithfulness to YFC. I hope you will be there!

Thank you so much for partnering with this ministry. Your generosity and faithfulness is impacting a wonderful generation of kids!

Greg Everett
Executive Director



An Evening of Worship Featuring
Mack Brock
Friday, November 19, 2021
Bethel Church, Fargo
6:40-8:40 PM
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PRESENTED BY:

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NOVEMBER 19, 2021

BETHEL CHURCH FARGO
2702 30TH AVE S, FARGO, ND 58103

6:40-8:40 PM

(DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM)

Tickets Available in September

General Admission \$20



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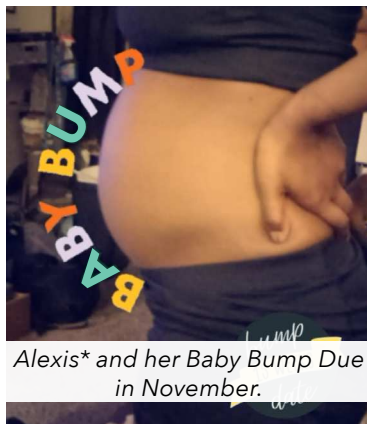
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Alexis* and her Baby Bump Due in November.



YFC team hosting Woodrow's outdoor graduation celebration. It was a record 103 degrees, but we enjoyed celebrating these youth and their family and friends.

Prayer Works

We are constantly reminding the teens at the juvenile detention center of this truth. We have been encouraging them to lead our closing prayers after church and bible study sessions. The kids are amazing in how they pray and bare their souls to God and to others. Please continue to keep these kids in your own prayers! Sometimes it takes a long time for an answer, but occasionally the answer is much quicker. Cara* told me she will be leaving the detention center in a few weeks. She was hoping to be able to go to a certain program, but had been accepted at another facility already. She said Paula*, another teen incarcerated at the center had given her a book called *Instant Messages From God for Girls*. She read a devotional about trusting in God and being patient. There were references to Romans 8:25 "But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently" and 2 Peter 1:6 "...and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness...". Cara said she continued to pray about this program, and she had just heard the previous day that she was accepted! She was very grateful to God for answering her prayers. ~Kim Danielson

"Jesus was low key not your average hobo"

A girl proclaimed after we read John 21:1-13 aloud in Bible study at West Central.

March snack drive sponsored by Faithbridge church. Snacks are tools and incentives for memorizing scripture.



Thank you to Mike King & Family for his 18 years of service and ministry with Red River Youth for Christ. We wish you well.



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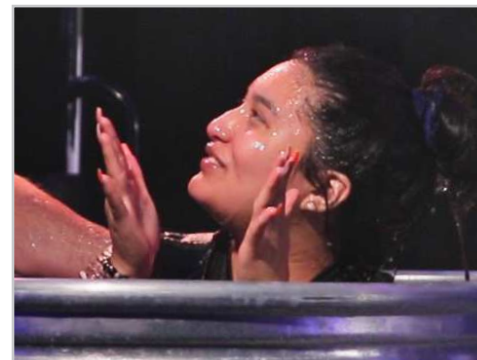


We're Hiring

Are you looking for a way to really make an impact? Youth for Christ has some amazing opportunities for ministry here in the Fargo area. We are looking for people who feel called to be missionaries to the student community we work with. For more information check out our website under "Get Involved" and "Employment Opportunities" or www.redriveryfc.com/get_involved/employment_opportunities/. If you know of someone who might be a perfect fit for us please share this with them!



Coloring by a young friend at West Central



Youth baptism in April

Showing Up

One young lady, Anna,* has recently aged out of the system. She was set up with her own apartment and was striving to live alone, get a job, and provide for herself. At one point I was worried about her and she hadn't been returning my texts. I simply showed up at her apartment and she let me in. She said she was depressed, frustrated she couldn't find a job, and to top it off she was not feeling well. I started asking more questions, how I could help, and developed a suspicion that she might be pregnant. I asked her if that could be a reason she thought she wasn't feeling well. Anna replied she hoped that wasn't the case. I asked if I could take her to the store and get a couple groceries for her and a pregnancy test anyway, to which she obliged. Upon returning I put groceries away while she took the test. A few minutes later Anna came out of the bathroom sobbing and crumpled onto the couch gripping a positive test. I sat next to her in silence for a long while and held her as she cried and processed and laughed and cried some more. I encouraged her to call her somewhat adopted grandma and ended up driving her an hour away to stay with her for the weekend. This was the beginning of our friendship.

Anna has since connected well with one of our volunteers, Olivia. Anna has attended church with her, gone to medical appointments, and is working on some life skills with her. I am so thankful God can use our team to show up in the world of teens like Anna and walk-through life with them. ~Danielle Hill

Our Mission

YFC radically loves and brings hope to teens by working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their Godliness in lifestyle, devotion to the Word of God and prayer, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement.

YFC provides a safe and friendly place to learn leadership skills, to think about important issues and to develop quality relationships with peers and with caring adults.

YFC's 5 Ministry Essentials:

- WIDESPREAD PRAYER
- FAITHFUL BIBLE TEACHING
- LOVING RELATIONSHIPS
- ADULTS WHO EMPOWER
- COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

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