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Vision Statement

Our vision is to increase positive Christ-centered relationships for youth, increase understanding between youth and their community, and increase opportunity for youth to hear, encounter and have a life changing revelation of Christ's sacrifice while participating in a youth center where youth can be themselves.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to reach the youth of the Lampeter-Strasburg area, and beyond, with the life changing peace, hope, and love of Christ through the power of His Holy Spirit.

INCREASE

He must increase, but I must decrease.
~ John 3:30

Winter 2019

From the Executive Director

I am again excited to let you know what the Lord is doing at Increase Youth Ministry. First we want to thank all our faithful supporters that continue to pray for the youth on a daily basis. Your prayers are being answered as they open up their hearts to be more receptive to the Love Jesus has for them. We see them struggle with letting go of their old self as they try on the new ways of Jesus by showing more love toward each other.

We also want to thank all of you who support us financially. Your contributions are continuing to help us serve food each week, sponsor events, and cover month to month expenses - thank you.

We are continuing to do our weekly study time in the book of John. To hear youth read the living word of God moves my heart. We can see just their reading is repairing and healing brokenness. It is overwhelming sometimes to see how the Holy Spirit is at work. We have started ending our evening with each youth praying in their own words out loud in a big group. Wow, to hear them talking with the Lord is truly a testimony of the Holy Spirit in them.

Please pray for a permanent building. Pray for the leadership to be in clear discernment as we have the opportunity to look at some buildings. While this is very exciting, we want to be obedient to the Lord's voice. So please keep this matter in your prayers.



Also we are still looking for people who feel a calling from the Lord to serve in this ministry. If this is you I need to hear from you. I pray that this newsletter will leave you encouraged as you continue to do battle for His Kingdom. May you have a blessed day!

Ron Peters

Annual Zook's Chicken Pie Sale Fundraiser with an INCREASED Opportunity!



6-7pm at the Jaycee Park Barn (218 Miller Street). All items are packed for you, frozen, and ready for you to pick up.

NEW this year-would you like to bless a family within the Lampeter-Strasburg School District with a meal? INCREASE is partnering with Michelle Holland who serves as social worker with the district. She will distribute chicken pies to families in need. The order form slips have the 9" chicken pie for LS as a separate column that can be included with your own order summary. If you order this pie, we will pass it on to her, it will then become a (yummy!) blessing to a neighbor. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO PICK UP THESE PIES, we will deliver.**



Come now, and let us reason
together, saith the Lord:
though your sins be as scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they be red
like **crimson**,
they shall be
as wool.

~ Isaiah 1:18

Welcome the covering of this season. Let the snow
be as comfortable as wool knowing that The Lamb
has come to take away our sin! Spring can begin
NOW in your heart!



Christmas Party Fun



Roller Skating at Overlook



Meet Anastasia!

Anastasia, aka Stasia, attends Lampeter-Strasburg High School. She is currently in tenth grade, and recently turned sixteen! Her family includes mom, dad, one eighteen year old sister, a pit

bull dog, and three cats. Anastasia loves to bake, she enjoys listening to music, and likes to draw. She has been attending INCREASE for about seven months. What does she like the most about INCREASE? She likes hanging out with people and worshipping the Lord! Her most memorable experience from all the INCREASE events was attending The Renew Weekend with other youth centers. This was the longest time she spent with INCREASE youth and the music was loud! When asked, "Do you feel that your walk with Jesus is growing?" Anastasia responded, "Yes, I have stopped listening to some secular music and am beginning to listen to more Christian music." Stasia would love to have INCREASE take a trip to Sky Zone Trampoline Park in the future, and find ways to celebrate the holidays with making special treats. The story of God creating the world is Anastasia's favorite Bible story.



INCREASE meets weekly and ALL youth 6th to 12th grade are invited to join us. There is no cost to our regularly scheduled nights. We meet every Thursday night beginning at 5:30pm. Your generous support will go a long way in helping us fulfill our mission.

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