

WAYS TO FUND THE MISSION OF YOUTH FOR CHRIST

Your faithful support is vital to the Ministry of SCMYFC. In addition to regular giving, there are several unique options available. Below is a list of ways that others have helped and may be a good fit for you. It is because of your prayers and support that we have been able to reach young people in the South Central Minnesota area. Please mention area of ministry donation when communicating regarding items below.



BECOME A TEAM YFC MEMBER

Team YFC Members make a 3-year commitment to monthly pledges (i.e. \$25, \$100, \$500, ect) or annual pledges (i.e. \$1,000, \$10,000 or \$25,000, ect). Pledges can be made on-line at scmyfc.org | **Albert Lea Area** or by mail. Checks should be pay to the order of: **Youth For Christ**, and mailed to **116 West Clark Street, Albert Lea, MN**



REAL ESTATE DONATION

The value of real estate can often greatly increase the size of your estate. A real estate donation entitles you to a significant current tax deduction and can reduce the value of your estate, which can save or eliminate estate taxes. It can also provide a lifelong monthly income.



DONATION OF STOCKS & MUTUAL FUNDS

Donating appreciated stocks or mutual funds can be a great benefit to both the donor and YFC. As a donor of an appreciated stock or mutual fund, you are able to avoid paying capital gains tax on the appreciation of the asset. Also, as the donor of that security, you get to deduct the full fair market value of the security at the time of the gift, if you have held the security for longer than 12 months.



WILLS & TRUST BEQUESTS

A bequest through a will or trust is the most popular form of planned giving. By remembering YFC in a will or trust, you are looking past your own lifetime to further the work of the kingdom through the Youth For Christ Endowment Fund. These gifts ensure that YFC will always be ready to reach out to young people.



CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES

You make an irrevocable gift, generally using cash, maturing CD's, or securities in exchange for lifetime guaranteed payments, the amount of which is based on the value of your gift and the age(s) of the payment recipients. In addition, the donor receives an immediate income tax deduction, and a portion of each payment is income tax free!



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REACH KIDS
CHANGE LIVES
DEVELOP LEADERS

Dear Youth For Christ Partners,

When writing this I was reminded of the song "Oh How He loves you and me"! In times like these it's good to be reminded of that fact. My name is Greg Gudal and I'm married to my wonderful wife Robin of forty years and we have four children, two biological and two chosen through the foster care system. From those four we have 10 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. I want to thank my wife Robin and our wonderful staff, volunteers, table hosts, underwriters, Wedgewood Cove and program participants who have worked so hard to make our banquet amazing.

One of the youth sharing today helps me at our farm place from time to time and is learning about things on a farm. One day as we were unloading some old siding that needed to be burned he decided to take a break. As he leaned on the top board of the fence, he took off his leather gloves and gazed out into the pasture and relaxed while grabbing a hold of the hot wire and at about the time he remembered what he was now holding onto it was too late to remove his hands as the pulse of electricity shot through his body, resulting in a very quick hand reaction, howl and very memorable dance moves. The retelling of the description of the event played out for the rest of the afternoon as he showed me the red lines on his hand from the shock and how it felt. He only had to learn that lesson once. These are shared experiences because I have also touched the hot wire and remember the feeling well.

Young people today have been growing up in a culture of uncertainty and loss. In fact one thing that has been certain is change. Plans are made and then dropped. Loneliness and depression are running rampant, teen suicide is high. Fentanyl laced drugs are killing kids. There has been a lot of sorrow. In the midst of all this, youth have learned to value relationships. They want trusted guides for authentic guidance. Twice as many of them believe in a higher power than don't. Half of them don't know how to connect with a faith community. **We must pursue them and let them know that there is a higher power and his name is Jesus and He does love them and wants to have a relationship with them.** The Bible is truth, it is reliable and can be counted on. In the midst of the darkness there is a light and there is hope. This last summer at the Middle School Camp at Prairie River Camp we had **51** campers. **31** of them were from Albert Lea. **45%** of them **trusted Christ as Savior for the first time** in their life and **many more recommitted their lives to following Jesus.**

Our staff meet with youth, run small groups, Clubs, serve free food to hungry kids every day and build Christ sharing relationships with them. The numbers of youth coming

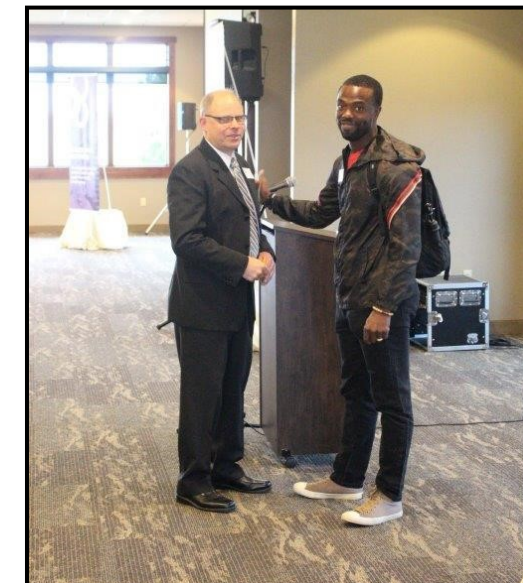
47% of young people say they are moderately or extremely depressed.

55% of young people say they are moderately or extremely anxious.

57% of young people say they are moderately or extremely stressed.

45% of young people say they are moderately or extremely lonely.

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We would **LOVE** for you to get involved with Ministry ; **Campus Life Middle School, Campus Life High School, City Life Drop-In Center.** We need Christian adults just like you to help make ministry possible. Everything we do is about establishing authentic Christ-sharing relationships, and you can make this possible and make a difference in a variety of ways:

- Come build life-giving, authentic, healthy relationships with students, our staff will help you in this process; these relationships are incredibly significant in students' lives, and this is where lasting transformation happens!
 - Be part of weekly Club meetings.
 - Lead a small group.
 - Be a staff person at your local site.
 - Make and/or provide snacks for youth.
 - Donate to ministry.
 - Donate to provide scholarships for students to attend events and trips.
 - Participate in a support way of being on a committee.
 - PRAY for the ministry, our staff and youth involved.
- IF you would like to be included in our weekly PRAYER REQUESTS email please contact us at robingudal@gmail.com.

Thank you Jarell Roach our comedian — <https://jroachpresentations.com/>



**CHANGE LIVES
DEVELOP LEADERS**

WEBSITE

scmyfc.org

IN HONOR OF

from April 11th, to

November 16th,



IN HONOR OF: Alexandra Smith, Designated to Camp Scholarships

FROM: Mikal and Kimberly Gooden

IN HONOR OF: Arlene Egerdal on her 98th Birthday

FROM: Dean and Kay Werner, Doug and Carol Bosma

IN HONOR OF: Dale and Marilyn Matson's 70th wedding anniversary

FROM: Gale Nelson

IN HONOR OF: Gerry Vogt on her retirement

FROM: Greg and Robin Gudal, Alan and Patricia Arends, Friends of Gerry's

IN HONOR OF: Great Grandchildren

FROM: Milton Nelson

IN HONOR OF: Jakob Malakowsky

FROM: Scott and Cathy Malakowsky

IN HONOR OF: Marge Beiser on her 90th Birthday

FROM: George and Brenda Wichmann

IN HONOR OF: Max Bachtel on her Birthday

FROM: Greg and Robin Gudal

IN HONOR OF: Sharon Helgeson on her 80th Birthday.

FROM: Jack and Arlene Allison

IN HONOR OF: Ted Spain

FROM: Maxine Brown

IN HONOR OF: Paul Scrobeck Sr.

FROM: Maxine Brown

IN MEMORY OF:

Sharon Anderson

Shirley Chase

Shirley Jensen

Stefan "Stef" Oftedahl

Steve Grosland

Steven Ganrude

Steven Hendrickson

Steven Kip Olson

Susan "Sue" Woodard

Terry Brink

Terry Cotton

Warren Robert Bruns

Warren Torgerson

Wayne Looock

William "Bill" Otterman

FROM:

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Jack Jensen, Lois Morreim, Milton Nelson

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Alice Jensen

Merton and Edie Miller

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Janis Owens, Julie Wallin

Gerald and Susan Lee, Bradley and Karen Miller, Marlene Brink, Marlene Wasmoen, Joyce Lee

Robert and Margaret Knutson

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Jack Jensen

George and Brenda Wichmann

Donna Thoreson



in the doors of The Rock, our youth center here in town, are running high again. We are in need of more staff and volunteers to work in God's harvest fields to bring in the harvest. Jesus said in Matthew 9:37 & 38 "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few, therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Please pray with us for more laborers.

A few years ago at our High School Camp at Prairie River Camp, Jarell Roach our speaker that year, had just spoken and the Holy Spirit had come in a powerful way and many youth were impacted in deep ways; in fact many were crying. Some kids had began singing praise songs around a girl who was sobbing uncontrollably. Later while youth and staff were sitting around a campfire singing praise songs some of the youth were using Google to look up lyrics to sing along. When I announced it was time for the last song and then bed. One of the youth who was new to Christianity asked Google "What is the longest Jesus song there is?"

One other thing about our culture today is that love is being ran out of it. The Bible says that "God is love." 1 John 4:8. God is being ran out. In 1John 4:19 the Bible declares "We love God because He first loved us." Young people can be introduced to Jesus. I was a teenager when I came to Christ.

What is God calling you to do? Give financially? Pray? Volunteer? All of the above? God has all the pieces in His plan. He allows us to be a part of His laid-out plan and he invites us to take part being led by the power of the Holy Spirit. All glory goes to God as He builds His kingdom! One plants another waters but it is God who gives the growth! As an organization, Youth For Christ is forming Authentic Christ Sharing Relationships with lost youth. Our goal

MISSION STATEMENT

YFC reaches young people everywhere, 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.




is to work our way to **35 volunteers and staff with Authentic Christ Sharing Relationships with 200 youth in the next two years.** We need your support, involvement and partnership to see this happen.

In the last two years a lot of our elderly donors have gone to be with Jesus. We are in need of new donors to take their places. For those of you who still remain please prayerfully consider a gift to our endowment fund to continue giving after you leave to be with Jesus.

The mission of Youth For Christ is to "Reach young people everywhere working together with the local church and other like minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus, who lead by their Godliness in life-style, devotion to the Word of God and prayer, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement. "

The harvest is plentiful! It's time to bring it in. Thank you.

Reaching lost youth,


Greg Gudal

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Memorials alphabetized by first name.



Memorials from April 11th, to November 16th, 2022

Oh, how He loves you and me.



Oh, how He loves you and me,
 Oh how He loves you and me.
 He gave his life, what more could he give?
 Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how he loves me;
 Oh, how he loves you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go,
 His love for sinners to show.
 What He did there brought hope from despair.
 Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how he loves me;
 Oh, how he loves you and me.

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ALL youth names in this publication have been changed.

It is our vision to have **1** adult leader for every

1. Scan here for credit or debit card donations:



2. Go to scmyfc.org/give - enter info. & click "give now".

3. Drop off your donation at your local YFC area.

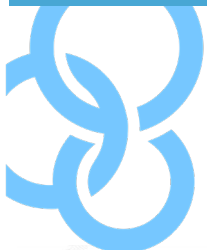
4. Mail in a donation—Administrative Office:
 116 West Clark Street, Albert Lea, MN 56007

5. Automatic withdrawal from your bank account

Contact: donations@scmyfc.org

**Make sure to mark the area of Ministry
 you desire to donate to.**

WAYS TO GIVE



A complete financial report is available upon request.

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Volunteering

www.scmyfc.org and click on 'get involved'. We'd love to have you partner with the Ministry of Youth For Christ.



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 2022



IN MEMORY OF:

Kimberly "KIm" Porter
 Larry Helgeson
 Lauritz " Lars" Romo
 Lona Thompson Humphries
 Marian "Sue" Hahlen
 Maribeth Walton
 Marie Engen
 Marie Jirele
 Marilyn Moe
 Marla J. Reding

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 Mavis Westergaard
 Michael "Mike" Dahl
 Michael Gresser
 Michael Sjolblom
 Nancy Frazier
 Norinne Cozine
 Norman "Norm" Larson
 Paul Larson

Richard "Rick" Babcock
 Richard "Dick" Doppelhammer
 Richard " Dick" Sipple

Robert "Bob" Bryson
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 Rosemary Olson



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IN MEMORY OF:

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Janet Meyer
Janice Van Wilgen
Jeanette Ophaug
Jedediah "Jed" Hove
Jeremiah "Jerry" Westrum

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IN MEMORY OF: FROM:

Jevonne Budach	Sandra Olson
Joe Mueller	Bradley and Karen Miller, Carolyn Weller
John Light	Greg and Robin Gudal, Thomas and Karen Wetzell, Bob and Pat Goldman, Marcia Bauers, Max Bachtle, David and Marilyn Stadheim, Darryl and Karen Flim, Roger and Mary Jemming, David Winnes, Kent and Cathy Otterman, Janet Stadheim, Stephen and Barbara McKenney, Jim and Jan Beach, Debra Ohm, Lynn and Lyn Sorensen, Donald and Eleanor Sorensen
John R. Peterson	Ken and Susan Petersen, Barbara and Steve Pulley
Joyce Embree	Tony and Dee Spiering
Julie Houg	Sandra Olson
Karin Nelson	JoAnn Seuser
Kathy Vokoun	Joyce Johnson, Rosemary Olson
Kay Goodmanson	Gregory and Kathryn Lutteke
Kayla Wimer	Max Bachtle
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TURNING THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN

Youth for Christ is reaching young people everywhere! Over **50,000** Youth For Christ staff and volunteers worldwide are working together with the local Church and other like-minded partners. Together we are raising up life long followers of Jesus in over **100** nations.



Asia Pacific Area = 31 Nations

Africa Area = 33 Nations

EMENA Area = 37 Nations

Americas Area = 25 Nations

SCMYFC supports: LEBANON, MOLDOVA,

An unpublicized area in the world

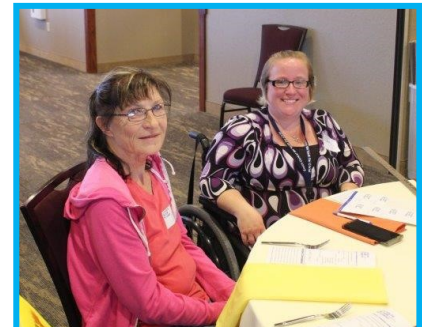
Please PRAY for these areas and their youth.

BECAUSE OF YOU

Youth for Christ USA has **137** chapters impacting thousands of communities. The preeminent goal at Youth for Christ USA (YFCUSA) is to engage one million lost 11-19 year-olds in the United States in authentic, Christ-sharing relationships with YFC leaders. Youth for Christ is positioned to support, grow, and celebrate every rural, suburban, and urban YFC ministry site across our nation.



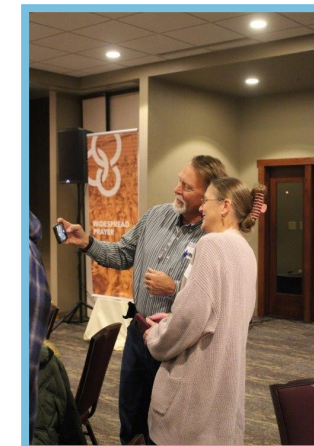
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VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to ALL our amazing, dedicated volunteers. You are an **important** part of the Ministry of Youth For Christ.

We are always looking for more individuals who are interested in investing in young peoples lives.



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Youth share...

HI! My name is Sarah, I am 12 and in 7th grade. I LOVE cats and I am in dance. I live with my mom, her boyfriend, my brother and our two cats! I have two other siblings also. I love to dance, do crafts and arts; I am going to the new Art Club at Youth For Christ, and I really like it.

Since I have come to The Rock **I have gotten closer with God and Jesus**, sometimes I pray before bed and will ask for a good day. I go to the Drop-in Center at The Rock, I've been to Camp at Prairie River Camp and I go to Middle School Club. I was not that close to Jesus, but now that I have come here I have gotten closer to Him.

My mom is someone who is very important to me, she gets me! One of my dreams would be to make money and give some to her because she has done so much for me.

I want to be a pre-K or Kindergarten teacher because I love kids and when I was younger I pretend played teacher or family with my friends and siblings!

* This young gal was not able to share at banquet but we wanted to share her story.



IF you have pictures from the Banquet please post on Facebook | YOUTH FOR CHRIST—THE ROCK

Hello, my name is Calvin and I am in 9th grade and 14 years old. I live with my grandparents, my brother, a dog and two cats! I have a sister who lives with my mom, I am the middle child. I really like to play 8 ball pool at The Rock.

My parents, grandparents and my pets are all VERY important to me...they are all there for me when I need them.

I started coming to The Rock last year when a friend invited me and it has **changed my life**. When I first came to YFC, I believed in God but I wouldn't count myself as a follower. As I have learned more about Jesus and God; hearing the stories and things They have done it has made me believe more as I continue to learn more.

I like that I have made more friends coming to The Rock, and get out of the house a bit after school. I have gone to Winter Camp and Summer Camp at Prairie River Camp. I have attended St. Theodore's Church and sometime go to Crossroads youth group.

When I grow up I hope to become a lawyer so I can impact lives and families. My dream is to be a very good lawyer, become successful and rich so I can help my family!

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IN MEMORY OF:

Fern Urbatsch

Florence Palmer

Francie Mary Irvine

Fred Moller

FROM:

Wendy Eggebraaten, Gerald and Susan Lee Leland and Sharon Dilling, Dr. Al and Donna Mendenhall, Daniel and Patricia Jacobs, Merlyn and Karen Andersen, Lonny and Laurie Lenz, Bernice Moreau, Gale Nelson, Kay Larson, Mikel Urbatsch, Vernon and Nola Teras, Marcia Moyer, Bradley and Karen Miller, John and Jodell Bromeland, Dr. Edathil and Dipika Karan, Laverne and Shirley Strand, Steven and Susan E Urbatsch, Gary and Karen Ohlmann, Dennis and Lorene Olson, Carolyn Munson, Diane Westland, Truman and Barbara Thron, JoAnn Seuser, Linda Opstad, Bob and Pat Goldman, Friends of the family, Virgene Hopkey, Betty Ruud and family, Steven and Susan E Urbatsch, Greg and Robin Gudal

Donna Thoreson, Gail Harty

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Glen and Elinor Doty

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Harriet Skaar

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Maxine Brown

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David Hagen

David L Pederson

David Long

David Marzinske
David Mutchler
Delores Bryson
Delwin "Del" Brouwers

Dennis Edward Knoner
Dennis Jensen
Dennis Ray Hanson

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Robert and Margaret Knutson,
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Donald Renchin
Dorothy Bierschenk
Dorothy Gulbrandson
Dorothy Simonson
Dorothy Vandersnick
Dotty Smith
Doug Loverink
Dr. John Enger
DuWayne and Delilah Wagner
Dwayne Stevens
Ed and Bernie Meyer
Eddie Hanson
Edward "Eddie" Hanssen

Edwin A. Hanson
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Eunice Johnsrud
Evelyn Anderson
Evie Haase
Faye Trail

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Duane and Pamela Virchow
David and Marilyn Stadheim
Maxine Brown, Gary Koeder
Maxine Brown
David and Liz Thunstedt
Donna Thoreson
Gary Koeder
Howard and Dorothy Miller
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Paul Scrobeck Sr
Shirley Miller
Angela Olson, Gaylord and Barbara
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Youth share...

My name is Enrico. Hello! I am 14 and in 9th grade. I love my dogs, Kippy, Prince and Missy. I am the youngest, I live with my brother, my dad and mom, the dogs and a cat! I have two other siblings also. I also like to play video games with my friends.

My grandma was someone I really looked up to. I stayed with her when she was on hospice and we got really close.

I came to The Rock because my brother brought me up there. My mom came to YFC when she was a young. I like to go to the Drop-in Center at The Rock, and I've gone to Winter Camp. I think it has helped me by getting more friends by talking and getting out of my shell.

When I first started to come to The Rock I didn't understand a lot about of faith. After I started to come here, and went to Camps I started to believe and follow God more and understand His ways. I am now going to confirmation at First Lutheran.

I have recently wanted to start working at The Rock because of some of the people who work and have worked at The Rock, and a lot of the people who have helped make it fun!

My dream is to go to Japan with my mom to see the Japanese stores.

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Information

WOULD YOU LIKE TO INVEST IN THE LIVES OF YOUNG PEOPLE?



Thrivent Choice is a charitable grant program that allows eligible members to recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes part of its charitable outreach grant funds each year. If you have CHOICE DOLLARS to designate to a non-profit, South Central MN Youth For Christ qualifies. If you have questions, you can call Thrivent Financial at 1-800-847-4836 and say "Choice Dollars."

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Youth share...

Hi, my name is Zane. My family calls me Z. I am 12 years old. I'm in 7th grade and I go to Southwest Middle School. I live with my parents and three older brothers at my grandma's house here in Albert Lea.

Wayyyy... Back in the day when my mom and dad used to ride their dinosaurs to school, they would go to The Rock. All three of my older brothers have also went to The Rock.

I love to challenge myself by solving my Rubik's cube and I really like to play music. I play the Euphonium in the Southwest Middle School 7th grade band. I also have a job delivering the Freeborn County Shopper.

My parents encourage me to continue going to The Rock. My mom particularly likes me going to The Rock because it prevents me from going down the wrong path like she took as a kid. She has told me many stories of adventures she had with The Rock and how much it helped her make better choices. I first started going to The Rock with friends. Now I regularly go to The Rock to hang out and play games with them. I have gone to The Rock's Summer Camp at Prairie River Camp, the Underground activity and I go to the Middle School Club.

Our Goal is to **REACH KIDS, CHANGE LIVES and DEVELOP LEADERS**. We reach kids, serve meals, give out clothing, meet other physical needs, help with homework, provide rides to school, encourage, listen and provide scholarship opportunities for camps, trips and events. **Our Mission** is to reach young people everywhere working together with the local church and other likeminded 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.

Campus Life is focused around the school and the lives of young people as students. Campus Life clubs are held before school or after school. The Campus Life ministry combines healthy relationships with creative programs to help young people make good choices, establish a solid foundation for life, and positively impact their schools. Like every Youth For Christ ministry, Campus Life seeks to engage these young people wherever they're found to raise them up as lifelong followers of Jesus. Outside of Clubs, it includes contacting, one-on-one appointments, building times, small groups, trips, events and camps. These activities are carried out by paid and volunteer staff who are screened and trained to work with youth.

The **City Life** Ministry is more of a neighborhood or city-wide approach with youth who are generally at-risk and many times low-income young people. This Ministry utilizes more of a small group approach with a focus on meeting basic needs and skills training to encourage the chances of success of the youth involved. The City Life program is built on a relational context, is concerned about the health of the students' relationships, how many they have and who are they with. Additionally, the program is concerned with how a youth is doing in the spiritual part of their life as well as the moral choices they are making. How they are doing academically? Are their basic needs being met? Do they feel safe? Are they learning how to work and handle money? Are they learning how to give back to society? Food, transportation, homework help and personal hygiene supplies are among some of the prominent needs that are most common.

When I grow up I would like to become a Doctor, specifically a Surgeon. I want to help save lives and have lots of money. When I retire my dream is to go to the Bahamas and go snorkeling and learn how to scuba dive. And meet some sharks of course.

I love The Rock and I am so glad The Rock is in town. Thank you for letting me share with you.



Memorials from

April 11th, to
November 16th,
2022



IN MEMORY OF:

Adam Murray
Alfredia Espinosa
Allen D. Newton
Alvin Klunder
Ardene Otterson
Arlo Wallin
Audrey Severson
Avis Luebke
Bernice Ellingson
Bert Rietsema
Beth Belshan
Beverly "Bev" Field
Bill Webster
Bonnie Bolinger
Charles "Chuck" Holland

FROM:

Dean and Kay Werner, Greg and Robin Gudal
Bob and Pat Goldman, Janis Owens
AG Advantage Systems, Inc.
Curtis and Mary Petersen
Jack Jensen
Shirley and Raymond Dakin, Angela Olson
Robert and Margaret Knutson
Charles and Diane Marlin
Duane and Sonja Troe
Larry and Sylvia Zevenbergen
Bruce and Donna Stolaas
David and Marilyn Stadheim
Ardelle Knutson
Larry and Cheryl Beavens
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IN MEMORY OF:

Charlotte Terpstra
Clarice Olson
Claudia Wangen Winkler
Clayton "Bud" Tuft
Connie Kabrud
Cynthia "Cindy" De Vries
Dale Golbuff
Dale Inderlie
Daniel "Dan" Mondeel
Darlene Reed

FROM:

Bradley and Karen Miller
Howard and Dorothy Miller
Dean and Kay Werner, Glen and LeAnn Juveland
Brandee King
Joe Kabrud, Glen and LeAnn Juveland, JoAnn Seuser
Larry and Sylvia Zevenbergen
Roger and Delores Hanna, Ronald and Peggy Benson, Rosemary Olson, Kenneth and Esther Larsen, Gary Koeder
Shirley Miller, David and Marilyn Stadheim
Tony and Dee Spiering
Mary Thompson, Barb Willmert, Douglas and Karen Conn, Kathryn Schmidt, Jack Jensen, Steven and Pennie Ladlie, Helen Leidal, David and Liz Thunstedt, Bob and Donna Nelson, Paul and Leola Anderson, Jim and Julie Knutson, Marlene Bergeson, Mikal and Kimberly Gooden, Randy and June Goodnature, Dr. Edathil and Dipika Karan, Pestorious, Inc., Greg and Robin Gudal, Marvin and Mary Ann Thompson, Michael and Suzanne Moore, Judy Hellie, Ardelle Knutson, Chuck and Shari Van Wey, Charles and Thelma Niebuhr, Arthur Wipplinger, Rosemary Olson, Gregory and Marsha Smith, Sandra O. Hanson, Chad and Jennifer Miller, Bradley and Karen Miller, Virgil and Arlene Thofson, Ann Marie Thompson, Janan Beenken, Jerry and Lori Janzig, David and Shelly Mangskau, Jerry and Mary Peterson, Gen Monte, Robert and Marilyn Blong, Gordon and Loujean Nelson, Kenneth and Esther Larsen, Richard and Karen Winter, Friends of the family, Richard and Marti Andersen
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2022 mailing



Please prayerfully consider what you feel led to do for Youth For Christ.



CHANGE FOR KIDS containers available at The Rock
 Funds go to YFC Foundation

Youth share...

My name is Dalton, I'm a junior at ALHS. I believe in God. I have two brothers and a sister. I live with my dad. My dad came up as a kid to The Rock. I enjoy playing pool, I'm in baseball and I like to ride scooter especially in the big room ay The Rock.

I do not know what I would do without The Rock. My dad has raised me because my mother is absent. She started using around the time I started coming to The Rock. It's helped us get through many struggles of not having a mom; a woman who stepped as a mother figure was Michelle.

I often would come up to get away from my addictive mom, and scooter with my best friend, Manny, who recently passed away ...this actually has brought me closer to God.

As a kid I came up to YFC to get away then started to learn about God and learned about the meaning and I have been a believer ever since. Since the passing of my best friend I've become even closer to God because I could come and talk to Michelle about it and it made me feel a lot better.

I have not only come to The Rock-Drop-in Center but also attend Campus Life Club and Winter Camp at Prairie River Camp.

Ever since I was a kid I have wanted to become a professional baseball player and a business owner. I dream of having an impact on the world in a positive way!



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: Mark Blong



What drew you to volunteer/why do you volunteer? Wanted to be part of a Christian organization that helps kids, and I also wanted to help kids that need it, especially at-risk. I believe they should have all the same opportunities and to learn about God as all kids. YFC The Rock has a great atmosphere with great rewards.

What has surprised you the most in being a volunteer? I didn't realize all the needs in the community involving kids and families. I couldn't believe what all The Rock does with kids and families in our community. All the activities and good things that The Rock does, not just at The Rock but outside The Rock too. They bring Jesus to it all.

How have you been blessed being a volunteer? Unbelievably blessed. I thought I was coming here to help kids and ended up them helping me. Just seeing Jesus working through the kids and all around. I feel like I got to know Jesus even deeper in so many ways. I also volunteered at the Camps, thought it was about them and at the same time it was really good for me too. I took kids fishing this summer, was surprised on a little thing like fishing, the impact it would have on growing our relationship. It was a great opportunity to volunteer side by side with my wife at Clubs, doing Ministry together with kids. I have been a volunteer over three years.





My name is Dalynn Wildman and I am an Alumni of Youth for Christ. The following is a paper I wrote for college in 2013 about an experience I had at The Rock as a teen.

I have been blessed to have witnessed several admirable deeds in my 30 years on this planet. One in particular has really stuck with me for many years. In 2000, when I was 17, I lived in a single parent home. My mother worked and did her best to provide, but she couldn't always afford to give me the privileges that other teens had.

One place that I did get to visit quite often was "The Rock". I would spend many evenings there hanging out with friends, enjoying speakers, or doing activities. I even helped lead the group for the elementary kids at some point. In addition to all these activities, the leaders at The Rock would also provide opportunities to go on field trips such as a Colorado Caravan with activities like hiking and rafting.

This particular year there was a trip to Washington D.C. planned. As soon as I found out, I so badly wanted to go. When I heard that it cost several hundred dollars to go, my heart sank. I knew there was no way we could afford such a thing. I just figured it was out of my reach. One of the leaders of The Rock asked if I was thinking about going. I told them I was fairly sure we couldn't afford it. She then told me that there would be several opportunities for me to do volunteer hours and fundraising to try to earn the money. It seemed like a daunting task as the trip was only two months away but nevertheless, I told her to sign me up.

Over the next several weeks I worked many volunteer hours after school at The Rock to earn money for the trip. I cleaned and helped kids with homework. I picked up trash outside and washed windows. Finally, the trip was two weeks away and there was one more fundraiser. The fundraiser was a Dinner/Dessert Theater. People paid to come and eat and watch the local youth perform an act of their choice. We could either get funds by serving dinner or by performing. I wanted to earn the most money possible so I asked if I could do both.

I chose a song to sing for that night and spent a few weeks practicing it. Finally, the night of the show came. I was still \$200 away from my goal and would earn \$50 for working and performing that night. The night went by in a blur. I served spaghetti and ice cream and sang my song when it was my turn. After everyone left and we were cleaning up, I was a little sad it was over because I was wondering where I was going to come up with the remaining \$150. One of the leaders came up and said she had something to tell me. She said a couple had seen me perform in the show and had anonymously donated \$150 to my account so I could go on the trip.

I immediately burst into tears. I couldn't believe someone would do that for someone they didn't even know. The trip was amazing and will forever be in my memory. Even more so, I will never forget how two strangers would be willing to give up so much money to help a teenager to have an experience they might not have had otherwise. I will be forever grateful for their generosity.

Fast forward to today...I currently live in Albert Lea with my husband and three kids, and I am the Bookkeeper at Youth for Christ. This paper I wrote nine years ago is just one example of what Youth for Christ can do for at risk teens to give them opportunities to do things that might otherwise be out of reach. The people at The Rock were there for me at a time when I needed it and I believe this helped to set me on a better path in my life.



70 youth attended Summer and Winter Camps.

17 youth attended trips.

\$22,535 was provided to young people for scholarships to attend camps and events, which they earned volunteering.

309 small groups were held.

62 Clubs were held. **324** different young people participated in the Ministry.

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My name is **Tim Reed** and I am one of the Pastors out at Crossroads Church. I started coming to Youth For Christ when I was in 7th grade for Thursday night's TNT meeting. Robin Gudal and other volunteers **loved on, encouraged, mentored me as I further grew in my walk with Christ.**

There is no question that my time with Youth for Christ played a pivotal role in my teenage years, and I give God the glory for that.

God's faithfulness is amazing as I have seen him use the Youth for Christ to develop me to become the Pastor that I am today. My question to you is who is the next pastor, or missionary, or evangelist, worship leader, lay leader, whatever that will come out of the kingdom work done here at Youth for Christ. And what a thrill it must be for you to be invited to be a part of that.

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November 9th, 2023 YFC Banquet

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As a movement, Youth For Christ is devoted to the Word of God and prayer. Every historic revival and Mission has been ignited by people of prayer who knew the Word of God. Youth For Christ shares this story. Therefore, we uphold values and practices that empower our staff to be formed in Christ to pray and act with boldness.



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