

# April Newsletter

K I D S & Y O U T H

## Family Challenge

Just Google "why family dinner matters" and a plethora of resources will pop up to tell you that "eating family meals may enhance the health and well-being of adolescents."

There are countless articles that cite the immense benefits that result from the habit of family mealtimes. Whatever meal it is taking time to talk with one another is huge! Make the most of it by planning ahead, putting away all electronic devices, and trying out some of these questions to get good conversation flowing:

- What was the best part of your day?
- Where did you see God at work?
- Go around the table and share one thing you like about each person.

To encourage this healthy habit for families, we are inviting you to send us a picture of your whole family enjoying a meal together for the chance to win a Chick-fil-A gift card! Simply snap a photo at family meal time and email it to [kelly@manheimbic.org](mailto:kelly@manheimbic.org). We will draw the name of one lucky family and announce the winner on May 1st!

## Kids Ministry

Save the Date

Our Kids Camp is June 18 - 22 from 6 - 8:30pm. Like last year, kids will get the opportunity to choose what they would like to spend the week learning about: dance, drama, music, art or sports! If you would like to volunteer, sign up on the church website on the CM page or contact Haley at [haley@manheimbic.org](mailto:haley@manheimbic.org).

April Schedule

April 8 - Sign up starts for summer Sunday volunteers

April 15 - Kids Camp registration opens

April 25 - Last night of Quest - roller skating at Mt. Gretna Roller Rink (takes place of Quest). Families are welcome! Skate rentals are \$1.

## 56ers

Sunday Mornings 9-10 AM

We are going through 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus.

Wednesday Nights 6:30-8 PM

Wednesday nights this month in 56ers, we will address a lot of important topics together. First, we will celebrate together the resurrection of our Savior and discuss Easter on April 4th. Next, we will address the ever popular topic of popularity! Why do we want to be popular? Is it important? After our retreat, we will return on Wednesday nights to debrief and start a series about our emotions based on the movie Inside Out. If you want a family movie night idea and haven't seen Inside Out yet, we highly recommend it!

Spring Retreat @ Camp Andrews

"FOLLOW ME" - Our Spring retreat is April 13 to April 15th. Sign-up forms are available on the website. Due to snow cancellations on Wednesday nights, we are extending the deadline to register to April 4th. Don't miss it - it will be a blast!

\*\*BAPTISM - an informative class for 56ers interested in getting baptized will be on April 29th at 9am in the Youth Office.



## Mark Your Calendars

April 1 - Family Sunday  
April 13-15 - 56ers Retreat  
April 15 - Baptism Class,  
8th Grade Girls Night  
April 20-22 - Jr./Sr.  
Retreat  
April 25 - Last Night of  
Quest  
April 29 - 56ers Baptism  
Class

# ReMix

## Staytreat Update

The Staytreat was a crazy fun time of games and friendship as well as a challenge to take the next step in our relationship with God. We even got to practice sharing our testimonies! Thanks to everyone who donated food or helped to clean up after our Staytreat. We couldn't have done it without you!

### Wednesday Nights 6:30-8 PM

April 4 - What does the Bible Say about Hell?

April 11 - Worship & Small Group Game Night

We will finish out the year with the "Feed the Dog" series. This series is all about learning how to feed our spirit and watch our relationship with God grow through the implementation of spiritual disciplines.

April 18 - Feed the Dog Part 1

April 25 - Feed the Dog Part 2

### Save the Date!

April 15 - 8th Grade Girls Night

May 4-6 - 8th Grade Retreat at Camp Conquest

May 9 - Baptism

July 29-Aug 4 - TIMS Service Trip

Is baptism your next step? Talk to Melita or Corby & attend the class on April 15.



## W54YOUTH

Sunday Morning 9-10 AM

"The Thread"

We will be continuing our year long series, "The Thread."

Monday Night 7-9 PM

It's hard to believe that we are already into Spring. Spring sports are in full swing. End of year plans are being made by Seniors. Over the course of this school year we have had a lot of great conversations. During the month of April, we will be doing a series called, "Gospel Relay." The big idea is that as followers of Jesus we have been called to go into the world and make disciples. During this series, we will study some of the verses in scripture that reference athletics and races, ie. "Run the Race that is set before you..." with the idea that we all carry the Baton of the Gospel and God desires us to pass that baton on to others.

### Schedule:

April 2 - Small group/Grade level night

April 9 - Hebrews 12:1-2 (Guest Speaker: Janelle Heying)

April 16 - 1 Cor. 9:24-27 (Guest Speaker: Dr Sandy Good)

April 23 - Phil. 3:12-14

April 30 - 2 Tim. 4:7-8

Jr/Sr Retreat - April 20-22 @ Ponderosa Lodge

Sign-up deadline April 9th

Cost: \$40.00

6pm Fri. Night to 3pm Sun. Afternoon