

Youth Resource Connections



New Year, New Ministry? *(A note of encouragement)*

Featured Up Coming Youth/ Youth Resource Events

<i>Teen Skate</i>	<i>1/12/13</i>
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<i>Family Skate</i>	
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<i>Winter Jam</i>	<i>1 / 17/13</i>
	<i>1 / 18/13</i>
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<i>Splash Lagoon</i>	<i>2/1/13</i>
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<i>Youth Pastor's Summit</i>	<i>3/1-2/13</i>
<i>(Elim Bible Institute)</i>	
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<i>Family Skate</i>	<i>3/9/13</i>
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<i>Divorce Workshop</i>	<i>3/21/13</i>
<i>(Focus Counseling Seminar)</i>	
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<i>Secret Keeper Girl</i>	<i>4/8/13</i>
	<i>4/9/13</i>

In our fast paced society, culture changes as quickly as the date. How does this effect the way we minister to teens? Should it? While it's important to be relevant, and up-to-date, issues of the heart never change. As long as we live in a fallen world, there will be sin and pain, and although they might be more frequent and intense, there will always be issues of the heart. Insecurity, pain, loneliness, the drive to be accepted; all mask themselves differently now than even 5 years ago.



The current trends of cutting and homosexuality are simply band-aid issues revealing something deeper. Don't be intimidated by them, but learn about them, address them, and deal with them. Remember the power of the cross the healing, hope, and power found there are all our hearts need.

In your planning for a new year, and new ministry events, remember that teens need only what you need—a Savior's love and truth.

C.S. Lewis' states: "All that is not eternal is eternally out of date".

Don't worry about keeping-up this year. Preach, teach and love what God lays on your heart. Keep Him first. Win them to Jesus! If you use cool lights and iPads, great! If you can't afford those, remember love is the only thing that does not go out of date. Be blessed and be free this new year! - Katie Bernier, Youth Resources Family Life - katiebernier@fln.org

Super Summer *(Not your average leadership camp)*



Last year, Super Summer made an appearance in New York for the first time, giving more than one hundred teens a new zeal for following Christ.

Be assured, this is not your average teen camp. Super Summer is the place to take your student leaders to the next level in discipleship, evangelism, and their walk with Christ. If you want to see a long-term impact in your church's youth ministry, this is your opportunity to invest in the leaders that provide the foundation for that ministry. Send every young person you can to camp, but send your student leaders to Super Summer! This camp is designed to give the youth leaders a chance to go to camp with their teens. For more information and leader pricing/involvement, visit www.supersummerny.com.

Super Summer 2013 will be held on the Houghton College Campus July 1-5. **Early Bird discounts end January 31st!**

What is Break?

Break is an outreach of Family Life's Youth Resources Department and is designed to be a place of information and connection for youth leaders and pastors in New York and Pennsylvania. Break is in the development stage. Phase one is this monthly newsletter and phase two is an event calendar for all things youth related!

Find out more at www.fln.org/resourcing/break-events/

If you would like your next big youth event or youth resource training event (conference) to be displayed on the Break Calendar, please email the details to katiebernier@fln.org (or for more information).

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