



# Youth Resource Connections

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## Youth Resource Events

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### BASICcon 4/5-7

Three days of worship and life-changing ministry at BASIC College Ministry's Spring Conference. Open to high school students and youth groups as well as young adult ministries. 585-624-7930 [thebasic-site.org/basiccon](http://thebasic-site.org/basiccon) Hosted at the Hyatt Regency, Rochester, NY.

### Secret Keeper Girl 4/8 & 4/9

A mother/daughter night out with Dannah Gresh's ministry for 8-12 year olds. Crazy fun and games mixed with teaching and lots of bonding moments. [fln.org](http://fln.org)—800.927.9083. Hosted by Family Life with [Eastern Hills Wesleyan Church, Buffalo, NY \(4/8\)](#) and [Victory Highway Wesleyan Church, Painted Post, NY \(4/9\)](#).

### Gender Matters Conference 4/12-13

Gender, homosexuality, gay marriage, sexual sin: Do you feel equipped to help someone who is struggling with these issues or to help your congregation or friends have a loving, redemptive approach and real answers? [unioncenter.org/gendermatters](http://unioncenter.org/gendermatters) Hosted by Union Center Church, Endicott, NY.

### Kid's Carnival (Sharathon) 4/12-13

Face painting, carnival games, bounces houses and a petting zoo. Fun for the whole family. Staffed by local youth groups as a local missions. To attend or volunteer, [fln.org/ya](http://fln.org/ya) Hosted by Family Life, Bath, NY.

### Lifeline (Training Conference) 5/4

Help for a drowning generation. Lifeline is a training day for youth leaders and student leaders to be prepared to give an answer to "life issues" like depression, anger, eating disorders, peer pressure, homosexuality and cutting. The event is free including lunch. 607.869.5404 Hosted by Seneca Falls Community Church, Romulus, NY.

### Family & Teen Skates 5/11

Family fun from 3-6pm, with games, skating, and an open snack shop. 7-10 pm is the skating for teens and youth groups. [fln.org/ya](http://fln.org/ya) Hosted by Family Life, Bath, NY.

## *Are Your People Blooming?*

Leading ministries and events is not what we are called to as leaders. Ultimately we are called to lead people. Sometimes, leading people happens through events and it takes place in the context of the ministries the Lord has entrusted us to manage, but in scripture, people are what we are called to lead. It's easy to forget and switch the focus from people to events. Events make us look successful; but people are God's greatest success.

Steward leadership, in essence, is recognizing God as the Owner, and us as His stewards. The relationships and influence we have with the people we lead have been given to us to steward. How are you stewarding the relationships and influence the Lord has given you?

Steward leaders seek to help people unfold the talents and character with which God gifted them. Think of a flower in the spring. The more it is unfolded the more beautiful it becomes. Every small movement unveils another hidden treasure. So it is with your people.

— R. Scott Rodin, *The Steward Leader*

One of the greatest gifts we can give the people we lead is the opportunity to grow. Christ invites us to unfold and bloom into the purpose and potential we were created for. Imitating Him, we have the honor – the stewardship - to do the same with those we lead.

He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. (Col. 1:28)

Never feel guilty for making time for your people. Events come and go, our mission stays: to present everyone fully mature in Christ. We will never regret stewarding the relationships and influence we have been given.—Katie Bernier, Youth Resources, Family Life

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Share your resource event, training conference, or big youth ministry event with other youth leaders for free. Or simply stop by, take a break and be refreshed.

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Break Youth Resources is a division of Family Life, and is designed to be a place of information and connection for youth leaders and pastors in New York and Pennsylvania. Find out more at [fln.org/break](http://fln.org/break).

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](mailto:katiebernier@fln.org) or call 800.927.9083 ext. 257.

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