

Wabash Valley Youth for Christ

Spring 2010

Matthew 9:36

When he saw the crowds, **he had compassion for them**, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Matthew 14:14

When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and **he had compassion on them** and healed their sick.

Matthew 15:32

Then Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "**I have compassion on the crowd** because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. And I am unwilling to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way."

Mark 6:34

When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and **he had compassion on them**, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things.

Mark 8:2

"**I have compassion on the crowd**, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat.

Luke 7:13

And when the Lord saw her, **he had compassion on her** and said to her, "Do not weep."

Luke 10:33

But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, **he had compassion.**

Luke 15:20

And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and **felt compassion**, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

Compassion - from the Greek word Splanchnizomai - which means: "to be moved as to one's bowels."

"As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." (John 9:1-5)

(excerpt from Dan Wolgemuth's weekly Fragments article)

Youth for Christ is all about the compassion described above—specifically when it comes to teenagers. For those of you who already support this ministry, we thank you. For those of you who are checking us out, we pray that your hearts are turned with compassion to the youth in our communities, that they may hear and experience the saving love and light of Christ.

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30 Mar 2010 Update from Tim on Sullivan County

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Upcoming
Event:
8th Grade
Graduation

May 8th

at Maryland Community Church

Students will receive info & permission slips at their clubs. For more information,

Contact Tim at 812-232-3781

Clay County Update

Many changes are taking place in Clay County's ministry. Youth for Christ clubs have been re-established at Clay City Jr./Sr. High School. Starting on January 18th we held weekly clubs with the Jr. High on Mondays and the High School on Tuesdays, both starting right after school and ending at 5:00pm. The high school club started with three but has grown to 12 with commitments from Hallway Nomads to attend in the future.



Please be praying for our Jr. High club as it has been slower to get started. We are talking to students to see if there is a better time and/or approach to this club's meeting.

The attendance for the North Clay Jr. High club is growing weekly. We are up to 30 to 35 kids. Due to other commitments our numbers haven't changed significantly. But if two students are gone for band one week, two new kids will show up. The last two weeks the Student Leaders have led the meeting and they have done an excellent job. The younger kids respond to them in a very positive way.

Our Northview club is small but mighty. We have 10 to 12 students who attend regularly. The majority of those kids are Student Leaders.

North Clay Campus Life is a great experience. It has been a great tool to meet more kids and challenge their curiosity for Youth for Christ. I am beginning to experience the making of friendships with the kids and a desire to attend YFC clubs. Our numbers have been bouncing around due to testing and field trips. The least we have had attend is 250 and the most 450.

Youth for Christ has taken some field trips and are planning more trips in the future. We attended the "Burn Your Bridge" teen conference which featured Ride the Wind Band, Eternal Cry drama team, Lonie Wiram a B-Boxer and special speaker Tim Simmons from Salt of the Earth Worship Center. We traveled to Indianapolis March 18th to the Rock and Worship Road Show, featuring several popular Christian bands. Thanks for your continued prayers for Clay County!

- **Mary Schorer, CC Director**

Memorial Gifts

YFC thanks you for gifts made in honor of the following people:

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YFC/USA Loses a Champion

On March 17, Grace Wolgemuth, the wife of Sam Wolgemuth (our fifth President) was escorted into glory. She was a woman of elegance and authenticity, of tenderness and courage, of laughter and tears, of strength and humility. She was adored by her husband, loved by her family, revered by the YFC movement, and relied upon for regular, deliberate and powerful prayer support.

Grace was 93 years old when she passed away. She was ready... in so many ways... most especially to be reunited with Sam. She leaves behind six children and their spouses that she loved as she did her own children; twenty grandchildren and their respective spouses that she loved well; and twenty-seven great-grandchildren that she had been introduced to, with three more great-grandchildren on the way. As you can tell... Grace loved family, and God blessed her with a big one.

I will miss Grace for the financial sacrifice... the personal and passionate intercession... the tender way that she encouraged me... the many, many staff that she supported in prayer and with funding... and for her readily available encouragement that reminded me every day that our mission was worth living for and worth sacrificing for. She did both.

YFC has lost a champion... and I have lost my Mom.

Sullivan Update

There are approx 1530 Junior High and Senior High students in the Sullivan County area. Of those students over 700 attended a Friday night Rally at the Sullivan High School Gymnasium late February! The important aspect to this is that approx 46% of the student population of Sullivan County in this age group had the opportunity to hear the SAVING GOPSEL OF JESUS CHRIST!!!

How did this happen? JSMI Ministries came to town sponsored by a local church and group of concerned adults who want to see the youth of the community be reached for the Kingdom of God. Character Based Assemblies were held in the schools of the county. Each assembly provided the kids who attended encouragement to follow strong character traits that benefit the individual and community. At the end of each assembly the kids were invited to come back at the end of the week to an evening Rally that would be held at Sullivan High School. During the Rally the kids heard great music, watched professional video and drama and had the opportunity to hear a bold speaker who challenged them to make a decision to allow Christ to change their lives.

I had the wonderful opportunity to become a part of this outreach. Of those kids in attendance that night in February a vast majority of them made either a first time commitment or re-dedicated their lives to Christ. I want to encourage you to pray for these kids as the youth workers in the community work to follow up on these decisions. Pray for us as we go deeper into the lives of the kids of the County. If you have questions concerning the evening or the programming please call me at 812-232-3781. Praise God for Opportunity!!!!

- Tim Ramseier, Executive Director

Youth for Christ Five Essentials for Ministry

- Adults who empower
- Collaborative Community Strategy
- Faithful Bible Teaching
- Loving Relationships
- Widespread Prayer

