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Monday Night Devo - 8:00 pm

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Fill With Hope - 6:15

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[5th/6th Grade Hangout](#)

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Girl's Devo - 7:00 pm

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Summer Edition!

Where has the time gone this semester? Somehow we are closer to the summer than New Year's. (You can make it teachers!) I know that the summer can be a busy time for families, so I wanted to let you know what our plans for the youth are so you can be aware. You can sign up for all events by clicking the event name on the left or on the last page that describes them. Here's a few other things I want you to be aware of:

- 1. Incoming 6th graders can attend Missions in Amarillo (MIA)** - Allowing our incoming 6th graders to participate in MIA, along with our Hangouts is a chance for students to get a taste of being in the youth group, as it may be a little overwhelming for their first full summer. Which brings me to...
- 2. Incoming 7th graders can participate in all youth activities this summer** - Typically we promote students to the next Sunday school class in August, but the summer is an incredibly important time for students to integrate into the youth group so they can get to know the students, but also so that I can begin really building a relationship with them. Unless an event is specifically meant for high school or for the opposite sex, the incoming 7th graders will be welcome. We will have a lot and I look forward to getting to know y'all.

- 3. Incoming Freshman can participate in events for JH and HS** - This includes Mission Arlington. It is important to help the new members in the group learn the ropes and possibly serve as their mentors, but also to use the summer to gain mentors that will help them through high school.
- 4. Early Bird Specials** - There will be two deadlines for trips. One will be the hard deadline and price, the earlier deadline will be at a discounted price.
- 5. [Wilderness Trek](#)** - Wilderness Trek is an operation in New Mexico that takes groups hiking. This will be for incoming freshman and older. They provide all the gear and guides. This was not originally budgeted for, but I think I can move some things around to make it work. Please fill [this](#) out so I can know what interest there is.
- 6. Calendar Integration** - Our new software allows our calendar to integrate with Google and Apple Calendars. Check out the next page for further instructions.

Details for individual events over the summer are at the end of the newsletter. If you have any questions let me know. Have a great weekend and I'll see you Sunday!

STUDENT EDUCATION

Sunday Morning JH & HS

I will be closing out the school year teaching the high school. We will be jumping around with our topics each week, as I have fielded questions from the students that they want to look into. This week's focus will be on baptism.

Sunday Morning JH

Caleb Stephenson will begin a new series to close out the year focusing on some topics inspired by Bob Goff's "Love Does" book.

Bible Reading Challenge

Our Bible Reading for the week will be Genesis 1; Exodus 14, 15; Joshua 3; 2 Kings 2; and Mark 1. These chapters focus on God parting the waters.

This Week

April 4th - Monday Night Devo

Ryan and Tori Cox (28511 S. US Hwy 287) will host Monday Night Devo this week at 8 pm. We still have a few weeks that we need hosts. You can sign up to host a Monday Night Devo [here!](#)

April 5th - Fill With Hope Service

We have been having a great turnout for our work with Fill With Hope. The van will leave at 6:15 pm and we will go to Braum's for ice cream afterwards. Students need to bring money for the ice cream or their food. We should return to the church about 8 pm.

April 6th - 5th/6th Grade Hangout/Huddles

I'll pick up students from CIS and bring them to the church for games, a devotional, and a meal. There will also be time set aside for homework if needed. This would be a great opportunity to invite friends to if you have a child in this grade. You can sign up for our April event [here](#).

JH & HS can still show up at 6 for Study Hall/Hangout and Huddles will begin at 7.

April 7th - Girl's Devo

We currently do not have a host for Girl's Devo this Thursday at 7 pm. This is open to JH and HS girls. You can sign up to host a Girl's Devo [here!](#)

BREEZE CALENDAR INTEGRATION

As I dove deeper into Breeze I found an incredibly useful feature of its calendar integrating into Google or Apple Calendar. This means that you can import our church calendars in Breeze into either/both of those calendars to display in your phone. As we update our calendar it will automatically be pushed to your phone (there may sometimes be a delay of a day depending on your settings). You will find links to the signups (for our summer trips) or their location (for our devos). There are a few ways to do this:

1. If you use Apple Calendar the easiest way to do this is to go into Settings ⇒ Calendar ⇒ Accounts ⇒ Add Account ⇒ Other ⇒ Add Subscribed Calendars. At this point you will be asked for a server and will

copy and paste <https://ucccanyon.breezechms.com/events/feed/MTY0NDE4LzY2NDI4> for the YOUTH calendar. The general church calendar is <https://ucccanyon.breezechms.com/events/feed/MTY0NDE4LzA%3D>. (You will have to go through the process for each one.

2. For Google Calendar: Navigate to your Google calendar (calendar.google.com) ⇒ Click the + next to "Other calendars" ⇒ From URL ⇒ insert the links I gave above.
3. You can also check out this [site](#) for more info.

Please let me know if you need help with this!

Summer Schedule

The summer is a busy time for everyone. Here are the big events that we have planned for this summer, along with the cost for those trips. You can click the event name to go to the sign up form **Remember there will be two dates and prices based on if you sign up and pay (or make arrangements to pay) before the Early Bird deadline.** If the cost will keep your child from being with us, please let me know.

May 30th - [Summer Kickoff Cookout](#)

We will kickoff our summer with a cookout on Memorial Day at 6 pm! This will be a time to hang out, play games, and eat good food while also giving the interns and I an opportunity to share our plan for the summer. **We want the entire family to join us** for this so please include that in the numbers so we know how many to expect.

June 7-9th - [JH Missions in Amarillo](#) - \$30 (by May 24th)/\$10 (by May 10th)

Missions in Amarillo (MIA) may be one of my favorite things that we do over the summer. This is a great way to expose our students to ministries in our own backyard. This is for incoming 6th grade-freshman. We will end up performing a variety of service projects in Amarillo, some of what we can do may be limited but I think we proved over Spring Break that there is plenty of work to be done in our area. I do not know what housing will exactly look like, but at this time I am planning to **be in need of host homes to house the kids over this week.**

June 12th-17th - [HS Mission Arlington](#) - \$150 (by May 30th)/\$130 (by May 15th)

Last year was our first time to working with Mission Arlington and I was highly impressed. We have several that went that have already been asking when the trip would happen this year so they could make room in their calendar for it. Students run a VBS in apartment complexes in the area as well as helping the Mission in sorting clothes, distributing food, and other ministries the Mission is involved in. The Mission believes it is very important that this is student led (and I have witnessed this to be true). **I would love to have at least three other adults accompany me on the trip**, they will mainly be there for supervision and driving vans. We will be working Monday-Thursday and will do something fun on Friday before coming home.

June 23rd - [JH Mystery Trip](#) - \$60 (by June 22nd)/\$40 (by June 8th)

For our mystery trip, we load up the incoming 7th graders to freshman in vans early in the morning and spend the day somewhere within four hours of here. I try to pick a place or activity that may be new for the students and we will return late that night. **I would love to have at least three other adults accompany me on the trip.**

June 26th-July 2nd, July 17th-23rd - Camp Blue Haven

Traditionally the majority of our students have gone to 5th session (July 17th-23rd) of Camp Blue Haven, but we have had a growing number attend 3rd session (June 26th-July 2nd). Enough so that **Bryan and Susan Hackett will be taking a van with them to 3rd session.** Look for sign ups or ask us if you need a ride. We will be taking three vans to 5th session.