

# Social Media Ministry

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## Praises

\* Our clubs are continuing to meet. Some are in-person, and some are meeting virtually. They are smaller groups than usual, but our staff and volunteers feel that the students attending are growing in their faith!

\* Snow days this year have become virtual days for our in-person clubs, so we haven't had to miss meetings due to weather this year!

## Prayer requests

\* Pray for health and safety for our students, volunteers and staff.

\* Pray for our staff and volunteers as they plan how to adapt to the changing school situations– the hybrid school model will affect how our Campus Life clubs are meeting.

\* Pray for our fundraisers and our plans for trips or activities for our students. We miss being able to take them to Impact and are making plans for other safe and fun activities this spring.

## Ministry Leaders Conference was a blessing!

At the end of January, our staff and volunteers were able to participate in Youth For Christ's first virtual Ministry Leaders Conference. Some of us gathered in socially distant small groups, while others joined in on their own from home. We came together, virtually, with staff and volunteers from across the country to all receive the same encouragement and training. We received encouraging reminders that YFC is a ministry dependent on volunteers, and we view our volunteers as not "just" volunteers but as full-time ministers of the gospel. We received a refresher on 3 Story living, which is a foundation for all we do in YFC– Being the Good News while telling stories of the Good News. We were reminded of the YFC Cultural Attributes that help us to live in unity as a ministry: Christ-Centered, Enduring Humility, Relentless Trust, Joyful Camaraderie, Courageous Faithfulness and Kingdom Inspired Diversity. And we were also given a farewell message of encouragement by our outgoing YFC/USA President Dan Wolgemuth who has been our President since 2005. In addition, we had the opportunity to attend breakout sessions geared directly to enhancing our individual types of ministry– whether we are ministering to middle school students through Campus Life, or youth in the juvenile justice system through JJM. I felt reinvigorated to be a part of the ministry of Youth For Christ after this conference!

## Upcoming Events:

We have two large fundraisers coming up soon. The Unity Campaign of Frederick County has been moved to March this year. This is an opportunity to give to CMYFC and have your gift boosted because a portion of your donation is matched by the sponsors of the Unity Campaign. Visit our website for more details.

Our Board has also decided that the time is right to hold our annual banquets after having to cancel them last year. They are planned for May 21 in Williamsport and May 22 in Frederick. We all need a laugh, so our speaker will be Jeff Allen, a Christian comedian. More information is available on our website, but we are looking for friends of CMYFC to be Table Hosts (invite people to join you at the banquet), Table Sponsors (pay \$400 to cover the costs of a table) or Underwriters (giving any amount to support the banquet.) If you are willing to help, or would like tickets to attend, please contact us at the office at 301-663-0561.

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