

THANKFUL

Central Maryland Youth for Christ's board of directors, staff and volunteers would like to wish you and your families a very blessed Thanksgiving. We want to thank you for your prayers, time and financial support. Because of your partnership with CMYFC we are growing in numbers of staff, volunteers and students which is opening many opportunities to start lasting relationships! Thank you!

Your CMYFC Family!

FREDERICK COUNTY AREA DIRECTOR- CINDY WILLIAMS

Do you remember middle school: the physical changes, peer conflict, need to be accepted, new responsibilities and failing poorly? Today's middle schoolers face **that and more**: issues like post-Covid isolation, anxiety, depression, a divided culture, social media deception, gaming addictions and confusion about identity, just to name a few!

The worse part is kids today have less people sharing Jesus openly than we did. It's hard to decide for yourself when there are no true believers in your life.

Therefore, twenty-six adults and twelve high school leaders give time weekly to youth in our area. **Praise God he is providing faithful people to spend an afternoon every week with kids.**

During small group this past week, one girl quietly whispered to her friend, "Jesus is not for everyone." It was odd to me how she accepted this falsehood and clearly expressed the cultural norm.

*During a gentle conversation with her and her friend, the timid student could not tell me why she believed that Jesus was not relevant, but she was convinced of it. Her adamant attitude made this an inappropriate time to share Jesus with her. Later, however, when I had the opportunity, I opened the discussion with the entire group: "**Campus Life is open to all middle school students! We will discuss Jesus because He is important to us, but you do not have to believe in Him to be here. You are important to us and are welcome here!**"*

After pausing, I asked, "How many of you know someone, maybe it's you, who don't believe in God?" (Quickly many hands rose.) "Looks like all of us know someone who does not believe in God. Why do you think this is true?"

One hand at a time went up cautiously. Then many hands were up, and all the kids wanted to share doubts and disbelief they've heard or secretly believe.

*I call the day a huge win! We were able to listen from a perspective of respect. In addition, we heard their doubts, questions, and disappointments with God. I was able to speak to one objective: "**You are created wonderfully by a divine, intelligent God, and He loves you dearly!**"*

Your support and investment are greatly appreciated at this time. **Funds, time, and prayers are all commodities that we desperately need more of.** Please contact me or our office if you would like to know more.

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Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever! Psalm 107:1 (ESV)



Central Maryland Youth for Christ Frederick County Restaurant Nights

Join our Campus Life and CMYFC teams at one of the restaurants below and enjoy dinner, raise support and awareness, and meet students and their families! Enter our T-shirt Give-Away each night.

For your purchase to benefit CMYFC, please mention "Campus Life Fundraiser" when you order.

Monday, November 7th from 5-8 pm (drive thru or dine in)

♦ Roy Rogers 203 Frederick Rd, Thurmont, MD 21788

Tuesday, November 8th from 4-8 pm (dine in only)

♦ IHOP 2421 Osprey Way, Frederick, MD 21701

Wednesday, November 9th from 5-8 pm (drive thru or dine in)

♦ Chick-fil-A 5501 Urbana Pike, Frederick, MD 21704

Thursday, November 10th from 5-8 pm (drive thru or dine in)

♦ Roy Rogers 1990 Riverside Way, Frederick, MD 21701

SAVE THE DATE
GIVING TUESDAY
November 29th

Connecting with our communities!!!

