

IMPACT YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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2011 Assemblies of God PARK DAYS!
The whole church family is invited to attend one of this year's Assemblies of God days at an amusement park near you! It's sure to be a day filled with fun and memories for everyone!

Kennywood
Monday, June 13th
\$24.00 per person
Gate Price: \$25.00

Tickets purchased on this day are good on any Monday/Friday throughout the season. Pick up your tickets at the Group Sales office starting at 10:30 AM, Monday, June 13th. The rides begin at 11:00 AM. The park will close at 10:00 PM (depending on weather).

Hersheypark
Tuesday, June 14th
(and all season long!)

\$35.00 per person (ages 9-54)
\$29.00 per person (ages 3-8 and 55+)
Gate Price: \$28.00/person (ages 9-54)
\$31.95/person (ages 3-8 and 55+)

Tickets will be available at the Hershey Stadium ticket window on Tuesday, June 14th, from 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Rides open at 10:00 AM. These tickets are good for any time during the summer season.

Even if you can't make it on June 14th, you can still take advantage of the savings! Throughout the summer season, you can preorder through the District office by sending a check (payable to the PennDel District Council) and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Park Days 2011
4651 Westport Drive
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Please indicate the number of tickets needed for individuals ages 9-54 and the number of tickets needed for individuals 3-8 and 55+.

Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom
Thursday, June 16th
\$24.00 per person (over 48 to 61 years)
\$21.00 per person (under 48)
Gate Price: \$41.99 per person (over 48 to 61 years)
\$21.00 per person (under 48)

Tickets will be available at the Assemblies of God table located at the main entrance of Dorney Park and Wildwater Kingdom on Thursday, June 16th from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM. The park opens at 10:00 AM and closes at 8:00 PM. Wildwater Kingdom will open at 11:00 AM and close at 6:00 PM.

2011 parkdays

Where:
Dorney Park
Allentown, PA

When:
Thursday
June 16th.

Cost:
\$30.00 per Person...need to bring spending money!

Please sign up in the Gym!



Out of School Blast

Friday night...June 10, 2011

We will be at players from 6-9 pm

We will be going to **Players in Westminster!** They have over 30,000 square feet of indoor fun, including Mini Glow-Golf, Laser Tag, Bounceland Inflatables, Bumper Cars, Batting Cages, Arcades & Prizes, and the Jungle Gym. We will meet at the Church 5 pm...we will be back at 10:30pm.

The Cost: \$15.00 for 3 hours of Unlimited Play



Check them out:
www.larrysheetsplayers.com

Address:
519 Old Westminster Pike
Westminster MD 21157



Youth Culture News

**“He who spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is careful to discipline him.”
Proverbs 13:24**

“It behooves a father to be blameless if he expects his child to be.” (Homer)

“Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.” Colossians 3:21



Teen superstar Justin Bieber recently spent \$25,000 on a custom-made diamond necklace with a pendant shaped like baby Stewie, his favorite *Family Guy* character. The 14-carat gold pendant is made of more than 12 carats of diamonds and rubies. [wonderwall.msn.com, 5/25/11]



For the first time, a majority of Americans now believe that same-sex marriage should be the law of the land. A new Gallup poll, conducted May 4-5, shows that 53% support legalizing same-sex marriage, up from 44% last year. Exclusively responsible for the uptick are Independents and Democrats; Republicans' backing of the issue was 28%—the same percentage as last year. Among 18- to 34-year-olds, 70% support gay matrimony, compared to 39% of those over the age of 55. [msnbc.com, 5/20/11 stats]



“I got brought up being told things were God's way, and when things didn't work out, it was called God's plan. I've got my issues with it. Don't get me started. I found it very stifling.”

—actor **Brad Pitt**, who stars in Terrence Malick's spiritually themed new film *The Tree of Life*, talking at the Cannes Film Festival about his religious upbringing

[foxnews.com, 5/17/11]



“I've got to thank the Lord first. He got me here.”

17-year-old **Scotty McCreery**, in his acceptance speech as winner of the 10th season of *American Idol*. The series finale drew a record 122 million votes and attracted 29 million viewers, a 21% increase in viewership compared to last season's finale.

[Fox, 5/25/11; Reuters, 5/26/11; huffingtonpost.com, 5/25/11]

Movie Review From Plugged In



Kung Fu Panda 2

Rated PG

<http://www.pluggedin.com/movies/intheaters/kungfupanda2.aspx>

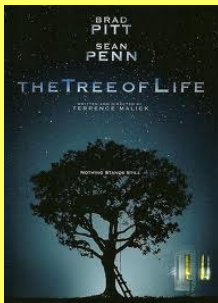


*****Not a good movie for teens!*****

The Hangover Part II

Rated R

<http://www.pluggedin.com/movies/intheaters/hangoverpartii.aspx>



The Tree of Life

Rated PG 13

<http://www.pluggedin.com/movies/intheaters/treeoflife.aspx>

Coming This Summer

Destination Unknown Coming this Summer

When: Sunday Nights after Youth Service...**Starting June 12!**

Time: After service...be back to the gym at 11pm.

Where: You have to come and find out!!!

Cost: Free

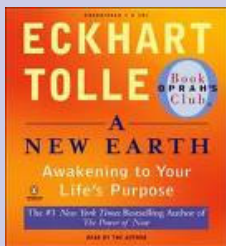
Youth Culture News Part 2



"People often ask me what is the secret to the success of the show. How have we lasted 25 years. **I non-jokingly say, my team—and Jesus. ... Nothing but the hand of God has made this possible for me.** For all of you who get riled up when I mention God and you want to know which God I'm

talking about, I'm talking about the same one you're talking about. **I'm talking about the Alpha and the Omega. The omniscient. The omnipresent. The ultimate consciousness. The source, the force, the all of everything there is. The one and only, G-O-D. That's the one I'm talkin' about."**

—**Oprah Winfrey**, in the final episode of her network talk show, which drew 15 million viewers (the most in 17 years) [cnn.com, 5/25/11; ew.com, 5/26/11 stats]



"I watched Oprah's final minutes [on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*]. Those last 30 minutes of Oprah teaching her captive audience sparked a very emotional wrestling match inside my head. You see, in a world where we rejoice when someone of influence who is highly respected boldly and gracefully stands in front of a captive audience to proclaim truth and give glory to God without being obnoxious ... well, that's awesome. Oprah did that yesterday. She gave credit to Jesus. She testified to her faith in God. She talked about the role of prayer in her life. She pontificated on grace. She gave a lesson on calling. So much of it

was so, so good and seemed so, so right. ***But then I'd have to smack myself back into the reality of realizing that all this good was embedded in a muddled and confusing mix and mess that Oprah believes and promotes, and which plays well in our postmodern world. It's spirituality on my terms, the way I want it, and the way I like it.***"

Youth Culture expert **Walt Mueller**. Illustrating his point: In 2008, while endorsing the book *A New Earth: Awakening to Your Life's Purpose*, Winfrey stated that Jesus didn't come to die on the cross, saying, **"It really was about him coming to show us how to do it, how to be, to show us the Christ-consciousness that he had and that that consciousness abides with all of us."**

[learningmylines.blogspot.com, 5/26/11; cnn.com, 5/25/11]



Mark Burnett, reality TV producer extraordinaire (*Survivor* and *The Apprentice* are among his many franchises), is embarking on a new project: a 10-hour miniseries adaptation of the Bible for the History Channel. "This is probably the most important book in mankind, regardless of your beliefs or religious affiliation," History Channel president and general manager Nancy Dubuc told *The Hollywood Reporter*. "This series will bring the historical stories of the Bible to life for a new generation." [religion.blogs.cnn.com, 5/25/11]



Apple users are known to be fervently loyal to the brand—almost to the point of religious zealotry. And according to a new BBC special titled *Secrets of the Superbrands*, that's no exaggeration. "The Bishop of Buckingham—who reads his Bible on an iPad—explained to me the similarities between Apple and a religion," write the BBC's Alex Riley and Adam Boome. "And when a team of neuroscientists with an MRI scanner took a look inside the brain of an Apple fanatic it seemed the bishop was on to something. **The results suggested that Apple was actually stimulating the same parts of the brain as religious imagery does in people of faith.**"

[bbc.co.uk, 5/16/11]

MISSING IN ACTION

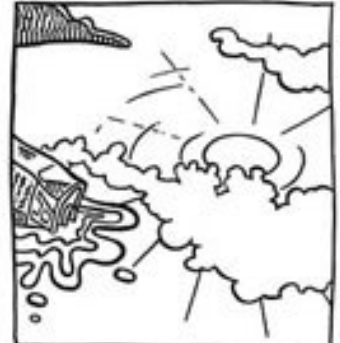
Is your teenager missing in action? Have they been missing Youth Service? Do you want God to move in their lives? Do you desire to see their Destine and Purpose fulfilled? **GET THEM IN CHURCH!!!!**

*“These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”
Deuteronomy 6:6-9*

Don't ever say you're worthless...



For even in the muddiest of puddles...you can see the sky's reflection



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