

Dear Parents and Guardians (*including parents of incoming 6th graders*),

Greetings. For those of you who I have not already met my name is Kyle Goings. I have been the youth pastor here at Bible Fellowship Church for the past two years. And I can't believe the school year is practically over, and summer is almost upon us. And because of that I am very excited to share with you our summer youth ministry happenings. But before I get into that let me share with you that here at BFC all school grades move up at the beginning of summer instead of the end so what this means is if your youth have just completed the fifth grade in the 2006-2007 school year starting June 1st your youth is now considered sixth grade and will be able to attend all youth activities, this also goes for all other grades as well.

This summer our theme is *Rise Up!: basic training for warriors*. It is designed to incite lasting passion and spur teens to action. It is a moment for teens to discover not only who they are in Christ but also the incredible potential God has placed inside them. Each ministry we have falls under this mindset and for more information on each summer activity I have included with this letter our summer schedule (June, July, and August), a **W.O.W.** permission slip, and explanation of each **W.O.W.** event and each **Cluster**.

Every summer we have a big kick off called Parent's Night where all family members are invited. **This year Parent's Night is on June 10th**. We would be honored if your family would attend. Here you will be able to get a glimpse of what we do every Sunday night, learn more about our summer ministries, as well as have a chance ask any questions you might have. Families of middle school students (going into 6th-8th grade) are invited to attend **Ignite** from 5-6:30pm and families of high school students (going into 9th-12th grade) are invited to attend **Infusion** from 7-9pm. Hope to see you all there!

Along with continuing our regular Sunday night ministries of **Ignite** and **Infusion** (see back of letter for more details) we will be returning two ministries this summer **W.O.W.** and **Clusters**. **W.O.W.** stands for *Wild On Wednesdays*. It is for youth *going into* 6th through 12th grade. Each Wednesday we will have a fun activity planned with the purpose of fun, fellowship, and provide an opportunity for the youth to invite their friends. Most **W.O.W.** events are FREE but three cost money (more information on **W.O.W.** activities see separate sheet included with this letter), each youth will need \$18 for The Ranch, then the High School Only Camp Out will be \$5, and finally the Middle School Madness at Watiki Water Park will be \$15. Scholarships are also available; just contact me for more information. Also please fill out the **W.O.W.** permission slip and return it by June 13th!

The other summer ministry we have this summer is called **Clusters**. Webster's dictionary describes a cluster as "A group of the same or similar elements gathered closely together. To gather or grow in bunches." Each **Cluster** is designed to combine people of similar interests to learn, grown, have fellowship with, and mature in their walk with Christ together. It is more than just a Bible study or small group, it's a life group! There are several different kinds of **Clusters**, each with its own purpose. Please read the included sheet for more information.

Thank you for your time, prayers, and energy you have already put into your youth; it has truly been a blessing getting to know them these past couple of years. And I am looking forward to getting to know the incoming 6th graders this summer. God bless!

In His Grips,

See you at Parent's Night!
June 10th!

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