

Hephatha *Youth Group* Newsletter



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HELLO HEPHATHA FAMILY!

Mike Mueller here!

I just wanted to update you on the youth group happenings at Hephatha Lutheran!

4th & 5th GRADE YOUTH GROUP

March 19th, we had Hephatha's first-ever 4th and 5th-grade youth group. We had 21 amazing kids show up! It was so much fun, and the kids heard a message about Jesus and what it means to be a redeemed, forgiven, child, of the One True King! We will meet every third Sunday of the month.

6TH, 7TH, & 8TH GRADE YOUTH GROUP

The middle school youth group is going great! We have had more than half of all Hephatha 6th, 7th, & 8th graders show up. Sam Morganstern has been instrumental in this success. Sam has made the transition for me so easy. The kids love him, so they wanted to come to the youth group. Thank you so much, Sam, for your heart for these kiddos!



HIGHSCHOOL YOUTH GROUP



The high school youth group is also going great! We have had a solid group since we started. We talk a lot about our identity in Christ and not base our view of ourselves or our life circumstances. We must put our identity in something that can never be taken away. Our self-worth, significance, and value need to be rooted in Christ and Christ alone!

ATTENTION PARENTS!! **GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY!!**

This December 27th -January 3rd , we will go to Guatemala to visit an orphanage and build a house for a family that doesn't have one. I will be sending home a fundraiser sheet soon. The fundraiser sheet will have all the fundraising opportunities for your child to earn their way to Guatemala. The organization we go with to Guatemala is "Child Beyond International" (childbeyond.org). I was on the committee that started this orphanage, and it is very near and dear to my heart. I hope and pray that you will consider letting your child go. Parents are most welcome to go too! More on this in the months to come... Thank you for your prayers and support of this vital ministry to the youth of OC! Please call me if you have any questions about our upcoming mission trip. 541-705-5254



DON'T FORGET TO **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!**

As God's children, we want everyone to know the saving power of the LOVE of CHRIST. Invite your friends to youth group! See Mike Mueller for invitation cards.

