

# IGNITE NEWSLETTER



November 2019

## IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Mission Trip Reveal

Wed. Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> – Melissa Speaking at Ignite

Wed. Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> – NO YOUTH GROUP (Thanksgiving)

Thurs. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Student Mission Meeting @ church

*Ignite, Equip, and Sustain young hearts to serve Jesus now and forever.*

## **WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO –**

Well, October flew by as anticipated with much happening. Our speaker, Pastor Frank, did a great job to start October. Fields of Faith was awesome, and I hope that MEA break was a blessing to your families. After the break, we had a message that I think caught the students off guard. We talked about not letting your bible reading define your faith. Too often we let the image of our faith walk be defined by how well we read our bibles. The early church didn't have the new testament, and a common bible didn't come to public until 1500 years after Christ. The early church dedicated themselves to fellowship, teaching, the breaking of bread and prayer. Our faith walks are so much bigger than just our devotional lives and although scripture is an incredible gift, it isn't everything in terms of our relationship to God. We then closed the month with a worship night and message!

## **WHERE WE'RE GOING –**

November is flying by. Last week (the first week of November youth group) we did a small group night! The leaders took their groups out on the town to have some comradery and conversations. This

week we will be revealing our summer mission trip to the students with a message on spiritual constipation. I know our students have loved momentum the last 2 years, but we certainly need a balance in faith. It feels so good to go and be fed at places like Momentum, but all that feeding is for the greater purpose of pouring out and serving. If not, we become spiritually constipated, taking everything in without ever pouring out. Service accomplishes the great need of getting our eyes off ourselves. I am confident that a mission trip is what our youth need but am also anticipating a little frustration on their end. This same frustration came when we told them 2 years ago that we would be going to momentum instead of a mission trip. Please pray for this trip and encourage your children to pray and attend this trip as well. I am very excited for the opportunity. Oh, and by the way we will be going to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation for this Mission. Reservations have a huge need for Jesus and provide the students with an opportunity to be exposed to poverty, other cultures, beliefs, languages, and lifestyles. We will have a parent meeting on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 to quickly go over trip details and to sign up. There may be chaperone opportunities as well so please pray and consider that as well.

Lastly, a big thank you to those that signed up and brought food for us! You can sign up at this link if you would like to bring food for the students at future youth groups. <https://mealtrain.com/lmd67m>

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