

April 2008

# LEGO: Youth Building Connections

All Saints Youth Ministry...A Newsletter

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## A note from Pastor Kyle

Well March has come and is about gone already. Did anybody do anything cool for Spring Break and want to share? If you write something for the LEGO, nothing big just something short about your experience, we can write it up for next time.

In our synod, the North Texas North Louisiana Synod, fourteen young people spent their Spring Break going on a trip to our sister synod in Sierra Leone, Africa. Our synod supports and helps the Lutheran churches there to build schools, buy supplies, as well as offering our prayers. Hopefully this trip was just one of many to come. I've heard it is just an amazing journey to a part of the world that we don't normally think about here in America. And it is a chance to see God's hand

at work there. If you would like to know more about what happened, talk to me, and hopefully we can have one of them come and talk to us about their experience in Sierra Leone.

What is God doing right here in our church family? Well, we have had a number of fun activities for Senior and Junior high. The Alleycats lock in, Brahmas hockey, movie night, laser tag, Sudanese worship, and boat building are just few. If you've been busy and haven't been around I want to be the first one to say come on back. We've missed you and I would like to see you. I will probably be calling on a few of you to talk one on one and see how we can help in your life and how we can be in ministry together. Talk to you soon.

## The many ways to contact Pastor Kyle

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And yes...if you haven't heard...even myspace:

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## Did you wonder how they choose the date for Easter?

Easter this year was on March 23, 2008. As you may know, Easter is always the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20). This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrew people used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around on our Roman calendar.

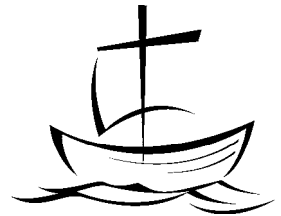
Here are a couple of facts which may interest you. Based on the above, Easter can actually be one day earlier (March 22) but that is rare.

This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see the rest of our lives. Only the most elderly of our population have ever seen it this early (95 years old or more). None of us has ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier.

Here are the facts: The next time Easter will be this early (March 23) will be the year 2228 (220 years from now). The last time it was this early was 1913 (so if you're 95 or older, you are the only ones who were around for that). The next time it will be a day earlier, March 22, will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now). The last time it was on March 22 was 1818.

So basically, no one alive today has ever or will ever see it any earlier than this year, March 23, 2008.

## Boat Building Begins



The teams are set and the building has begun. Remember the construction dates:

March 15 (3-5pm at the church), March 29 (3-5pm at the church), April 5, 12, 19, 26 will be offsite at the building location (a.k.a. the garage for your team). Remember we have a lot of work to do and I hope that you can make as many building sessions as possible. There will be a Bible study incorporated into each building session. The Regatta is May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Hurricane Harbor. If you want to see more information contact Pastor Kyle or check out their web site [www.riverlegacy.org](http://www.riverlegacy.org). Hope to see you there!



### AU/SNA begins again March 30<sup>th</sup>!

We only have six AU/SNA sessions left in the spring; March 30<sup>th</sup>, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and May 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Quiz Show

**May 18<sup>th</sup>**

Sr. High this is your chance to revisit your youth. Jr. High you had better get ready because the Sr. High will be putting on the Quiz Show for the AU students!

**April 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Following morning worship service and in lieu of SNA – the Sr. High will be doing a service project at the Nelson Center.**



**What is the Nelson Center?**

The Nelson Center, in Denton, TX, is a center that specializes in treating abused, neglected and troubled children, ages 6 to 15. They house youth, teach them and give them the chance to do things that they have never had before. They provide a safe place, with consistent meals and offer the proper counseling help they need. The SLL is planning a service project at the Nelson Center. On Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> following morning worship we will have lunch at the church and then travel to Denton to do needed jobs around the facility. This will include painting, cleaning, etc. so be sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty. At 5pm we will have dinner with the youth who live there and be able to talk and share time with them. This event will take the place of SNA for that evening

**Shrimp Boil Help Needed!**




The Shrimp Boil is scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup> from 5- 8, and the planning team has asked the youth for help with this event. If you are interested in helping see Pastor Kyle or sign up in the Discipleship Booth.




**Relay for Life Postponed**

Due to many events in March and Easter coming so early, we have had to move our participation in Relay for Life to June 6<sup>th</sup>. The change of plans will allow us to do enough advertising and selling of luminaries. And hopefully there will be better weather than in the past! So re-mark your calendars, and we hope everyone (JLL, SLL, and College and Career) will be able to participate.

Many thanks to all those who helped out with the Spaghetti dinner/auction! You all did a great job. A million thanks to Wendy Kramer and Robin Gum for coordinating this successful event! When all money is finally collected we will have raised over \$5,000!!! So if you bid on an item at the silent auction and won be sure to pick it up!



**Junior Luther League**  
**Glow Stick Games!**



**When?** Friday April 11<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm-10pm  
**Cost?** Free  
**Where?** At the church. We will probably go over to our park across the street.

**Bring a friend!**



### Need a car?

Are you or someone that you know looking for a new car? Be sure to remember that Hiley Mazda and Volkswagen has become affiliated with All Saints Lutheran Church. The dealership (located on I-20 at Collins in Arlington) is willing to give some benefits if you tell them that you heard about them through All Saints Lutheran Church. There is a form that Pastor Kyle has that needs to be filled out. There will also be some on the table beside the discipleship booth.

Any vehicle will be priced at an offer not available to the general public. Vehicles will be sold at invoice plus \$500. For every vehicle that is sold, Hiley Mazda/Volkswagen will donate \$200 dollars to the All Saints Youth group! This a great fundraising opportunity. If you need more detail contact Jackie Goff at the dealership at (817) 575-6116.

Do you have a suggestion for an activity? Contact Pastor Kyle and let us know and we will try our best to fit it into the calendar.

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# One Solitary Life

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman.

He grew up in another obscure village, where he worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty.

Then for three years he was an itinerant preacher.

He never wrote a book.

He never held an office.

He never had a family or owned a home.

He never lived in a big city.

He never travelled 200 miles from the place where he was born.

He did none of the things that usually accompany greatness.

He had no credentials but himself.

While he was still a young man, the tide of popular opinion turned against him.

His friends deserted him. He was turned over to his enemies, and went through the mockery of a trial.

He was nailed to a cross between two thieves.

While he was dying, his executioners gambled for his garments, the only property he had on earth.

When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave, through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today his is the central figure for much of the human race.

All the armies that ever marched,

All the navies that ever sailed,

All the parliaments that ever sat,

All the kings that ever reigned, put together have not affected the life of man upon this earth as much as this *One Solitary Life*.

anonymous

- **John 1:1** - *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."*
- **John 3:16** - *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."*
- **John 14:6** - *"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."*