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WITH THE SAINTS CITIZENS





Overview

- Event Date: July 18-22 (registration opens Tues. 17th)
- For Youth entering 9th Grade Fall 2012 through High School 2012 Graduates
- Registration Fee: \$315 per person
- Scholarships available
- Youth to adult ratio
- Ideal youth to adult ratio is 5 to 1, minimum: 10-1, one adult for each gender
- Adult leaders must be at least 21 years of age at the time of the Gathering.



Timeline

2011

- May - Information about volunteering and financial assistance application both available online
- October 9 - Registration opens online only at **2 p.m.** Eastern Daylight Time

2012

- January - Monthly Getting Ready curriculum available online
- February - Housing assignments will be uploaded into each congregation's registration account prior to the ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza
- March 18 - Congregations can print and send their rooming list to their hotel with the appropriate deposit
- May 26 - Paid in Full Deadline - There will be no onsite payment option in 2012
- July 16-18 - Multicultural Youth Leadership Event and Definitely Abled Youth Leadership Event - \$150 registration fee includes housing and meals for these events
- July 18-22 - 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering: citizens with the saints



Registration

- Sunday, October 9th, 2 P.M.
- \$150.00 (non-refundable, sent immediately after registration)
- All Balances must be paid before Arrival
- Deadline: May 26, 2012
- Online Only! www.elca.org/gathering
- By Check Only!
- Include your Congregational I.D.
- Make it an Event!
 - Sunday Worship litany
 - Contest for the first registrant?
 - Gather your group for the Registration



At The Event

- Three days of programming
 - Practice Peacemaking
 - Practice Discipleship
 - Practice Justice
- Day ends with a mass gathering in the Superdome, and evening community life programming in the hotels



Housing

- Congregations assigned housing based on:
 - Room rate Preference
 - # of rooms requested
 - ratio of youth/adults and female/male
 - Region and Synod affiliation
- Request all rooms on same floor
- Doubles vs. King Beds
- 4 to a room
- Consider arriving a day early (Tuesday)
- Synods will be housed together as possible
- \$119-\$141 night per room
- Sleeping Bags
- Housing assigned in February, 2012



Transportation

- Arrange on your own or with others
- Current Prices: Round Trip
 - South West: Manchester NH to New Orleans \$424.00
 - Amtrak: \$296.00 30 hr. Trip
 - Greyhound: \$341.00 41 hrs.
- Transportation from Airport dependent on Lodging



Additional

Preparation Opportunities.

- **October 21-23: NESynod Youth Summit**
 - @ Camp Calumet
 - \$100.00 per person
 - For all Adult Youth Leaders regardless if they are attending the 2012 Gathering

- **Spring Training 2012 (T.B.A.)**



Volunteers

- the application process opens May 15, 2011.
- Recruiting for three categories:
 - Community Life (ages 19+)
 - Gathering Volunteer Corps (ages 19+)
 - Servant Companion. (ages 19-35)
- Applicants must be at least 19 years old and out of high school for at least one year.
- \$75 application fee (background check/administration fee)
- Volunteers pay own travel



Insurance

- Check your Church's Policy!
- Special Rider for Trip
- You will need all participants insurance info
- Something happens?
 - Youth Parents policy covers 1st.
 - Home Church Policy covers 2nd
 - ELCA Gathering Policy third in line.



Budgeting

- Create a Budget.
- Total cost per person \$1200-\$1400 (est.)
- Budget for Gratuities
- Over budget (You can always refund)
- Credit Card available for emergencies
- Trip Insurance?



Financial Assistance

- opens on May 15, 2011!
- for youth only.
- Congregational leaders will be able to apply for financial assistance (\$315 registration fee) on behalf of their young people beginning May 15.
- The ID#, the young person's name, age, grade, ethnicity, and a is July 31, 2011 - or until the funds are depleted, whichever comes first.
- The assistance awarded will be uploaded into congregational accounts; when they register on Oct. 9 they will see a credit in their financial record.



Fund Accounting

Youth Ministry MissionPlus investment:

- Your congregation earns interest on the funds that youth raise for Youth Gathering expenses and other events
- Funds are available when needed for travel expenses -- before, during and after the gathering*
- You can make deposits to an investment at any time
- During the gathering, youth leaders may cash checks at the MIF service center -- no need to search for ATMs or banks that will cash out-of-town checks*
- www.elca.org/Who-We-Are/Our-Three-Expressions/Churchwide-Organization/Mission-Investment-Fund-of-the-ELCA/Become-an-Investor/Youth-Ministry-MissionPlus.aspx
- The application is available at www.mif.elca.org/purchase (it's the third bullet in section 2).



MYLE & DAYL

- Multicultural Youth Leadership Event and Definitely Abled Youth Leadership Event
- July 16 - 18
- \$150 registration fee includes housing and meals for these events
- More info to come



Resources

- www.nesynod.org > Events > 2012 ELCA Youth gathering
- www.elca.org/Gathering
- Monthly Getting Ready curriculum online January 2012
- Facebook
- Monthly E-newsletter (sign up on ELCA Gathering Site)
- ELCA Promo Video available soon
- Dave Dalzell, Synod Gathering Coach:
mtnjku@gmail.com or 603-528-4078
- Tim Roser, Synod Gathering Coordinator:
tros@nesynod.org or 603-662-2081



Webinars

- Sunday Afternoons beginning in September
- Seven Sessions (Free!)
- Can listen live and type in questions to presenters
- or can listen recorded version latter
 - 9/18: Lutheran Theology: How God is at Work in the World
 - 10/2: Lutheran Theology: How Lutherans Read the Bible
 - 10/16: Your Role as Leader
 - 11/20: Strategic Planning
 - 12/4: Leading a Small Group
 - 12/18: Faith Conversations
 - 1/8/12: Planning for the Unexpected



Bling

www.oldlutheran.com is the
official supplier for Youth
Gathering “Bling”
Click on the 2012 ELCA Youth
Gathering Page

YOUTH MATTERS

Pre-Events

- Friday, June 3rd – Saturday June 4th
- In Conjunction w/ Synod Assembly
- Stay at Bethesda Lutheran, Springfield
- Register by Congregations \$20 per person
- Register on line: www.nesynod.org>2011 Synod Assembly> Youth Matters
- Servant Event opportunities Saturday afternoon
- Free Concert Saturday Night

Other Youth Opportunities

- Sept 9-11
- Opportunity to network



- Great Youth Leadership training opportunities
- keeps kids “plugged in” during summer