



Our Time.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

MAY 4-5, 2023

Dear Our Time Group Leader,

We are excited about the 15th Annual Our Time Youth Conference! It is our prayer that God will work in a miraculous way. Your group will receive delicious food, lots of gifts, and many hi action events that happen during this conference; however, this is not just a time of “fun and games”. We are begging to be used of God to provide a conference that is not another “wishy-washy”, weak, fleshly conference. Our focus is to provide your teenagers with Biblical preaching and God honoring music.

PRAYER: We believe in the power of prayer. This conference must be bathed in prayer. We have had people in our congregation praying regularly, we have had teen groups of young men & young women praying, and we have had late-night prayer meetings praying for the churches, leaders, teens, speakers, and all that pertains to this conference. We encourage you as a youth group to continue in prayer for your church, teens, leaders, & decisions made.

ATTIRE: Each group leader is responsible for making sure your teens abide by your youth group’s dress standards. Everyone must dress modestly for the entire conference.

- Thursday Evening Service - We encourage the young people to wear what they would wear to a regular Sunday Evening Service.
- Thursday after the service - Feel free to change into comfortable clothes. You may want layers as the temperatures in Iowa change without notice.
- Friday Morning - If participating in competitions, we encourage teens to dress their best. If not in a competition, casual dress is suggested as there is not enough time to change before the afternoon activity.
- Friday Evening Service: The choice is up to you. You can have your teens change back into dress clothes or wear clothes from the activity.

SEATING: Seating is given on a first come first served basis. We will ensure that all registered groups will be able to find a good seat. The doors to the conference will open at 4pm.

GAMES: There will be video countdown and epic games throughout the conference. It will get loud and crazy, yet Christ-honoring. We will encourage teens to compete in these games and cheer loudly for their section teammates.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

THURSDAY, MAY 4:

- 3:00 pm - Registration Begins
- 4:00 pm - Doors Open
- 5:25pm - Conference Begins
- 8:30-10pm - "Epic Activity in Central Park"

EPIC "ACTIVITY AT CENTRAL PARK" DETAILS:

- After the Thursday Evening service you will take your group one block north to Central Park
- There you will find the evenings food and fun!
- There are restrooms on the northeast corner of the Square.
- Please inform your group to bring a jacket for this event.
- Please supervise your entire group for the duration of this event.

FRIDAY, MAY 5:

- 7:30AM - Breakfast consists of famous Amish Golden Delight Bakery donuts and chocolate milk served on the front lawn
- 8:00 AM - Talent Competitions
- 9:55 AM - Morning Conference Session
- 1:00-4:30 PM - Afternoon Activity
- 5:30 PM - Evening Service

EPIC "DAY AT THE FARM" DETAILS:

- This activity will be held Friday afternoon between the morning and evening services.
- As soon as the morning service is dismissed, your group will head to your own transportation. From the church you will go 1.8 miles to 2610 Nutmeg Ave., Washington, IA 52353. There you will find a worker directing you where to park.
- On the property you will find different types of activities to be a part of. (Horseback riding, canoeing, hayrack ride, large inflatables, volleyball, and yard games...just to name a few!
- Lunch will be provided onsite.
- Youth Leaders please be responsible for your own group.
- You do not want to miss this exciting activity!!

TALENT COMPETITION: Upon arrival, you will receive a welcome folder that will include a Talent Competition Information Packet. This packet contains valuable information as to where each of the competitions will be held. Please make sure the teens know where they need to go to compete and are there on time. **The cutoff time for competition registration will be Sunday, April 30th, at 9pm. Anything after that date and time will not be accepted.**

COMPETITIONS INCLUDE:

- Preaching
- Bible Memorization
- Vocal (Solo, Duet, Trio, Quartet)
- Instrumental and Ensemble

REGISTER ONLINE:

<https://form.jotform.com/220966055269160>

LIABILITY WAIVER: It is required that each delegate's parents/guardian sign a liability waiver before participating in any activities. This must be read and signed by a parent or legal guardian. You can find the waiver at www.ourtimeyouthconference.com . **Please be sure that each delegate has completed the online waiver.**

QUESTIONS: If you have any questions between now and the conference date please don't hesitate to give our conference staff a call:

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