



NETWORK
YOUTH CHURCH

Churches Together Youth Trust Newsletter

Spring 2024



Soul Fuel

Soul Fuel started on Monday 5th February, a new group that seeks to inspire friendship, faith and fun using Bear Grylls' devotional book.

The group is open to years 7 & 8 and takes place at the Methodist Church, Grange-Over-Sands from 5.30—7pm.

The group is slowly growing, and at the last meeting we had eight year 7 girls. The group starts with fun, playing games like Limbo Dancing, Dobble and 'The 5 second rule'. We then eat pizza together, before looking at what Bear Grylls has to say about faith. This gives them a chance to explore further questions of life. We then finish with more games. Many thanks to Paul & Jo Rand, Isabel Davey and Ruth Webster for their support in enabling the group to happen.

There will be a Soul Fuel starting for years 5 & 6 after the Easter term, this will take place at St Mary's, Allithwaite on a Wednesday evening.



Cartmel Priory School

The years 7 & 8 Chill Out Group continues on Thursday lunch times at Cartmel Priory School. The club has become a social space for young people to have their lunch and chill out with their friends. Most weeks we have a question to think about such as 'If you could go anywhere in the world where would you go?' This has enabled us to discover the cultural links of young people and it is surprising the amount of them who have family abroad.

Chris & Andrea continue to take year 7 worship on a Monday morning. It is hard to believe that the current year 7's will become year 8's at the end of May. We really enjoy visiting the school at the start of every week and are thankful to Ania Krepa and the other staff for making us feel welcome.

JAM Clubs

Since the last newsletter Andrea has been running 'Jesus And Me Clubs' in several primary schools. These are short term clubs that run for half a term aimed at years 5 & 6 and encourage young people to discover more about Jesus and make crafts.



The first club was at Cartmel Primary School when 6 young people came. The second club ran in Flookburgh and finished in the middle of February.

In both clubs they looked at Bible stories including the birth and baptism of Jesus as well as the encounters he had with other people.

Hello From Ania, Our New Trustee

I work as a Head of Year 7 and as a Teaching Assistant at Cartmel Priory School. I love supporting students in their first year of secondary school and watching them flourish. Together with my husband, we moved from Poland 15 years ago and we love living here. We have 3 children who make us proud every day. We regularly go to a Catholic Church where I am involved in running children's liturgy and preparing some teenagers for their confirmation. I love cycling, cooking and baking and I look forward to meeting you all.

Primary Schools

Andrea is very involved in the Primary Schools across the Peninsula. She does monthly collective worship at Allithwaite and Flookburgh Schools. She also regularly visits the other 4 primary schools at least termly, either leading collective worship, taking a lesson or taking part in a school activity such as Everyone Together at Leven Valley School.

Dreaming The Impossible!

Network Youth Church is taking a group of young people from across Cumbria to a youth camp called Dreaming the Impossible from the 27th July—1st August. Are you in secondary school? Would you like to go? Please contact Chris for more information.

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Network Youth Church



Chris Mason has been heavily involved with the youth trust since he started his role as Network Youth Church Leader in 2012. Chris is responsible for growing church amongst young people across a large part of the South Lakes. Network Youth Church is a Cumbria wide initiative and there are several other leaders across the county. Please pray for Chris as he connects with The Lakes School in Windermere, where he runs a 'Chill Out Drop In', and listens to young people on a Monday lunchtime in partnership with NISCU. Also pray for the Friday Drop In that takes place at St Mary's Church, Windermere. Chris continues to be involved with youth outreach across the Cartmel Peninsula partnering with CTYT and is a valuable member of the team. Although not a trustee, he attends trustee meetings and works closely on youth outreach with Andrea.

Please Pray & Give Thanks For :-

- Thanks for the year 7 & 8 Chill Out Club at Cartmel Priory School, especially for the young people that come every week to eat their lunch and play games.
- Thanks for Soul Fuel at the Methodist Church; for pizza, fun and discussion on building our lives on a firm foundation of Jesus.
- Thanks for the welcome that Andrea has received from all the primary schools in the area. Please pray for God's wisdom as she prepares each Collective Worship.
- Pray for Soul Fuel Explorers due to start at St Mary's Church, Allithwaite after Easter.
- Pray for the plans for the spring/summer term, including transition which usually takes place in June/July.
- Thanks for the unity in sharing the love of Jesus with young people across the peninsula.

'Look up into the heavens. Who created all the stars? He brings them out like an army, one after another, calling each by its name. Because of his great power and incomparable strength, not a single one is missing.'

Isaiah 40 v 26

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Mondays Every Other Week



SOUL FUEL

Food Games

Years 7 & 8

Grange Methodist Church

5:30pm - 7:00pm

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Support Our Work For The Price of A Coffee

It is great to see the work beginning to flourish under the leadership of Andrea Mason with support and partnership from Network Youth Church.

The Churches Together Youth Trust survives on the generosity of local churches and we thank you for your support over the years!

We are also reliant on the generosity of individuals. We thank those who give regularly and those who have given a one off donation!

If one hundred people set up a weekly standing order for the price of a coffee, currently £3.50 in a popular lake district café chain, it would mean that the Youth Trust would be on a more financially secure footing for the longer term.

If you would like to give any amount please email Charles, our treasurer.

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