

A.C.T. NEWS

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Food Giveaways Bring Opportunities

What do 660 hamburgers and buns, 450 hotdogs and buns, 12 bags of chips, 25 gallons of fruit punch, a gallon of relish, 5 bottles of catsup and 6 bottles of mustard have to do with Campus Ministry? A lot when you hear of all the things that happened at the last two food giveaways on April 27 and May 4.

Over those two weekends, we are estimating that almost 700 people stopped by the B.G. campus house and grabbed a bite to eat. From 11:00 until almost 4:00, the music was playing, three gas grills were cranked on high and constantly full, and plenty of conversations were happening. One young man, who hung around for almost an hour, was constantly on his cell phone. When he would hang up, another call would come in. Overhearing one of his conversations, he told his friend, "you've got to come over here. People are hanging around, having a good time, and there isn't any beer."

God was moving in mighty ways. The conversations ranged from how school was going, to things at home, to relationships that had gone sour. But, throughout the evening, God was the focus and He did some amazing things.

Each give-away started at 7:00 with a time of prayer. 10-15 people met from 7:00 until 10:00 and prayed for wisdom, safety, guidance and that God would bring the people that He wanted us to talk to past the house that night. Without a doubt, this was the key to the success of the evenings. Not a thing happened that endangered anyone, the weather cooperated, and it was very evident that God had a hand in bringing to the campus house the people that He wanted us to talk to.

Looking for a good Seminar?

Listed here are several of the seminars that we have prepared. Because of the nature of these topics, each of them would take between 4 & 6 hours to cover properly. They are a great idea for an all-day Saturday program or even a Friday Night / Saturday meeting. Our summer schedules have a few dates available, and our school year schedules are beginning to fill up.

Topics include:

Developing a Christian World View

Ministry To The Next Generation

Is The Bible Really God's Word?

Is Jesus Who He Claimed to Be?

Lostology...Understanding The Pre-Christian Mind.

Toward A Biblical Perspective: Homosexuality, Abortion, Suicide, Euthanasia

How Jesus Taught...A course in Biblical teaching methods

My Heart - Christ's Home

Name Above All Names

Biblical Interpretation

Science & The Bible

The Second Coming

What Is Worship?

Evangelism 101

Important Dates & Events

May 25 - June 2 - Haiti Trip

July 28 - Work Day at B.G.

Aug 5-10 - Lake James Camp

Aug 26 - Marlboro C/C

Oct 11-14 - Fall Break

Oct 20 - Edon C/O/C

Oct 26-28 - Fall Retreat

Nov 4 - Orville C/O/C

Nov 18 - Findlay Central

Nov 21-25 - T-giving Break

Dec 22- Jan 13 - Christmas Break

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Book A.C.T. Now for Next Year

Believe it or not, we only have a couple of weekends open in our fall schedule for Church visits. It's amazing how many churches want us to come and present the work that A.C.T. is doing on campus. With many of those visits, the Drama team will perform. And in some cases, the Worship Band will go along to lead worship for the service.

If you would be interested in having A.C.T. come and not only present the work that God is doing on campus, but challenge your congregation to become more involved with our mission and the mission of your church, contact us soon. Although we do have a date or two left for this fall, we're already beginning to book for the Spring of 2002.

We are also available to help with youth rallies, overnights, and retreats that you may be planning. Or maybe you have a special program scheduled and need a speaker or drama team. Maybe you're looking to add some contemporary music to your worship and are looking for a way to introduce that to your congregation. Or maybe you would like to schedule a Saturday seminar on a special topic. (See the list on the front of this newsletter.)

We are available to you. If what you have in mind isn't listed here, give us a call and tell us what type of event you're thinking about and we'll work with you to plan the event so that it meets the needs of your congregation. Whatever your ideas and needs, we want to be a resource for you, to help you in your work for God's kingdom here on earth.