



Back Roads Youth Group

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✨ Youth Group Newsletter ✨

Dear Parents and Youth,

We are so excited to kick off another year of youth group! We're looking forward to a year filled with intentional conversations, lots of laughter, games, events, and opportunities to grow closer to Jesus and to one another.

Our hope this year is that youth group would be more than just another thing on the calendar. We want it to be a place where students feel known, encouraged, challenged, and comfortable asking the hard questions about faith and life.

We have so many fun things planned, but more than anything, we're excited about the conversations we'll have, the relationships that will grow, and the ways we'll see God work in the lives of our students throughout the year.

We can't wait to see what this year holds! Let's make it a great one!

General Information:

Our Backroads Youth Group program is open to grades 6th-12. We meet most Wednesday nights, MS from 6:15-7:15pm and HS 7:15-8:15pm, throughout the school year. The Wednesday Night Sunday School (WNSS) program will now also be released at 7:15pm, to relieve congestion in the lobby, we will be having middle schoolers be released out the side doors of the church, the ones by the parking lot closest to the school.

Cell Phones:

To help everyone stay present and engaged, all cell phones will be placed in a basket at the start of Youth Group. If you need to reach your child during this time, please contact the church directly.



Restroom Breaks:

Since WNSS will be going on at the same time, we want to limit interruptions. Please encourage your youth to use the restroom before or after our meeting.

Photos and Videos:

- Photos and videos will be taken of large & smaller groups of kids.
- Parents and Guardians must give permission for Back Roads Church to post or print your child's photo or video, however, be aware that your child's image may appear in large group photos, even if you do not give us permission.

Illness protocols: If your child is sick or has been sick within the past 24-hour period before youth group or events, we ask that you NOT bring your child to youth group. Please adhere to the 24-hour fever rule, which states that a child needs to be fever free without medication for a 24-hour period before attending church. Children with the following symptoms may be contagious:

1. Fever of 100 degrees or higher
 2. Nausea, vomiting, and/or diarrhea
 3. Yellow or green nasal mucus
 4. Severe coughing, strep throat
 5. Any untreated rash, skin infection, or open lesion
 6. Head lice or nits in the hair
 7. Pinkeye or other eye infections with mucous discharge
 8. Flu-like symptoms: chills, sweats, body aches, coughing up yellow or green mucous.
- Any symptoms of infectious communicable childhood diseases If any of these symptoms occur while in class, the child may be removed from the classroom while the parent/guardian is contacted to pick their child up.

Safe Sanctuary: God has blessed Back Roads Church with opportunities to share His Amazing Love with the children and youth in our communities. We take that to heart and want the best for each child/youth that walks through our doors. Because of this, BRC has a Safe Sanctuary Policy, which helps provide protection of your children/youth from possible physical, emotional, or sexual abuse. It also helps protect our staff and volunteers from false allegations of abuse. If you would like a copy of the BRC Safe Sanctuary Manual or have any questions, please let Ms. Nikki know.



Communication:

We want to make sure everyone stays in the loop this year! All of our events, schedules, and important announcements will be posted on our Facebook page, so please make sure you've joined the page and are checking it regularly. The page is called: [Back Roads Church Youth Group | Facebook](#)

We'll also be using the BAND app for youth group communication. BAND will include all of our updates and announcements, but it also gives us a more interactive and inclusive place to communicate. You can comment, ask questions, and message me directly if you ever need anything!

Parents, PLEASE make sure you get on BAND! This will be one of the best ways to stay up to date with everything happening in youth group throughout the year.

If you need an invite code for BAND, just message me directly or send an email to the one listed below and I'll get you added!

We're excited to stay connected and keep everyone in the loop!

Weather:

- **Inclement Weather:** If Boscobel Area Schools are closed or have an early release due to weather, Back Roads Youth Group will not meet. If unsure, please check our Facebook page or BAND for updates.

Contact Information:

If you have any questions, concerns, or needs, please don't hesitate to reach out to us: [✉ youthleader@backroadschurch.org](mailto:youthleader@backroadschurch.org)

We are truly looking forward to what's ahead and are thankful to walk alongside you and your youth this year!

In Christ,
Allie & Kenny