

Central Oregon



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For every kid... one at a time.

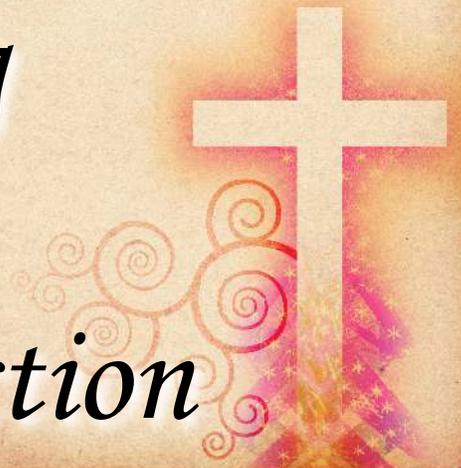
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### Mission Statement:

Central Oregon YFC reaches young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to the Word of God and prayer, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement.



# Celebrating the Resurrection



This has been an exciting month. We've had youth asking how they can get a Bible. They've been handing out Life Books to their friends. (Life Books include the Gospel of John and some commentary to help people understand what they're reading.) Just a couple days ago we had a youth post a thought on their Facebook profile about how after reading the part of the Life Book, they were astonished that Jesus actually lived a sinless life - recognizing that they probably sin every day. What a great thing to recognize in a world trying to tell people that there is no such thing as sin! A perfect opportunity for Jesus to be introduced as their Savior.

It feels like spring time. Like God is up to something, and new life is coming forth. It's thrilling! There are some days (weeks, months...) where we wonder what difference is being made and if anyone really cares. But then, I see the smallest seed begin to show signs of life and it just excites me to my core. This is what it is all about - God's Kingdom of Heaven invading earth. The Holy Spirit is leading people

into truth and the Father is drawing people unto Himself.

I'm seeing it in the different youth groups that I'm visiting each week. Lives are beginning to change and unity is building in people's hearts. I'm seeing Jesus' resurrection power bringing life in place of the death and destruction that has been brought into their lives by the enemy. God is doing amazing things and it is our privilege and honor to be both audience to, and partakers of them. I am so thankful for the resurrection, and what it represents for us! Jesus' power is here to resurrect both now and forever.

It is my prayer for you that as we enter a season of spring in our natural world, that we will also enter a season of spring in the spiritual world as well - with new life coming to the dead areas of our lives and to the lives of the people we influence everyday.

Blessings,

Curtis Fox  
Ministry Director



## *A note from the Board:*

Just as every student who attends a YFC function is touched by the ministry, so each donor is touched by the ministry as well. A few years ago, I asked a seasoned missionary if he would rather have a few big financial supporters or lots of supporters who donated smaller amounts to his ministry. He didn't have to ponder the question before answering—"I'd rather have a lot of small donors, absolutely!" There is great wisdom in his answer, because a ministry partner is so much more than the dollars they donate. Ministry partners provide prayer support, help expand the ministry's exposure, give of their time and resources, and encourage the staff and board members through their faithful support of the ministry. If you have thought about giving to the ministry but haven't, because it you didn't think the size of your gift was significant enough to make a difference. Think again—you'd be joining with a lot of other supporters and together the impact of each gift is amplified. Thank you for considering partnering with us. We are so thankful for the broad base of faithful ministry partners we have.

Dana St. John  
Board Treasurer

## *Things Of Note:*

- We are going to begin fundraising soon for youth to go to summer camp this year. If you know of opportunities for the youth to earn money, or you are interested in helping them with the cost of camp please contact us!
- Please continue to pray with us that God would open up doors of opportunity to partner with local ministries and bring light to the youth of our communities all around Central Oregon.

## **CITY LIFE** @ Madras, OR

COYFC is currently running a City Life event every Tuesday night from 6-8pm.

We also have a Drop In center open each Tuesday & Thursday 3:30pm-6:00pm. This gives youth a time and place to work on homework and to help them in their studies. It also provides them with a safe, fun place to hang out.

## *Financial Support:*



Central Oregon's Youth for Christ is 100% dependent on donor support. Everything we do is because of people's partnership with this ministry. If you are currently supporting us I want to take this opportunity and say thank you. Because of your generosity *you* are able to impact lives of young people. Our vision is to be a vibrant light in our youth culture today. Please pray with us as we pursue making this dream a reality.