

# Central Oregon



*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.



This year has been a fun year already. We've been going through a video series by Louie Giglio called "The Heart of Passion". The series begins with a couple messages on the vastness of the universe, and how we have a huge God that not only created it, but left magnificent things in it for us to discover that would point us towards Him. And yet, this huge God left things as small as a tiny protein molecule that forms in the shape of a cross that holds our bodies together for us to find like a treasure.

The youth have really been connecting with this series. They're more tuned in during our discussion times than I have seen them most days. They have feedback and questions that allow us to point them back to Jesus.

The message we watched this week was on "Hope: When Life Hurts Most". This was a powerful topic, since everyone can relate to pain and trouble. We struggle to deal with it and make sense of it, and yet, as we look to the cross we learn

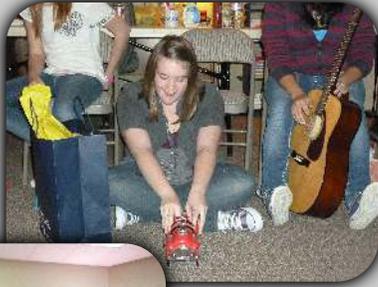
that while things look like chaos, God is still in control. We learn that God loves us immensely, and we learn that God plans to bring good from what we're going through, even if it doesn't seem possible. It's in going through those times that Romans 8:28 takes on a whole new meaning: "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose."

I look forward to this year with excitement and hope, believing that God has great things in store for these youth as they press in to Him.

I have been seeing some really good connection between our and other youth pastors in Madras as well. I'm truly blessed by this, knowing that as they get more connected in a Christian community, their faith will be strengthened.

Blessings,

Curtis Fox  
Ministry Director



## *A thought from the Board:*

Summer camp can be a life changing event for the teens who are able to go and focus on Christ for a week. A week at camp is filled with amazing scenery, high-energy activities, great food, deep friendships, intentional time of Bible study and serious conversations about Christ. For many students the cost of camp is what keeps them from attending. The Board of Directors would like to make summer camp a reality to local students who are serious about their relationship with Christ. Your gifts to YFC can help provide the opportunity for students to attend camp this summer and deepen their relationship with the Creator of the Universe. Now that is an amazing investment opportunity!

Dana St. John  
Board Treasurer

## *Things Of Note:*

- We have changed the delivery of pre-addressed return envelopes. Beginning this month, they are no longer coming with the newsletter, however, they will come with the donation receipts that we mail back. This enables us to be more efficient with our resources. Please contact us if you have any concerns.
- We want to say a HUGE “Thank You!” to the people who have been bringing snacks and meals in on our City Life nights. They are a tremendous hit and a wonderful blessing!

## **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 investment into 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.