



# CENTRAL OREGON YFC

GIVE LIFE TO YOUR STORY

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**Above:** One of our family groups spent an evening learning how to make their own bagels from scratch.

**Below:** One of our family groups took an exciting trip to Bend to do an escape room.



# Annual Banquet Edition

## What's New?

- Receive your newsletter via email!** Visit our site to sign up.
- Donate when you shop!** Visit the 'Get Involved' page on our site for info.
- Spring & Summer Camps Are here!** Consider making an extra gift to help students go.

### Partners In The Gospel,

On February 20th, we held our annual banquet in Central Oregon. Nearly 80 people turned out to support and celebrate the work God is doing through YFC in Central Oregon. It was an amazing time to put faces to people who we have only written to or spoken with on the phone, and to welcome new faces.

In case you were not able to attend, here are the things we celebrated and announced.

### Celebrations

-A successfully smooth transition between the previous Executive Director of 5 years, Zak Caldwell, and our new Executive Director, Zach Lewis. We were able to maintain a good number of students and donors/supporters.

-A very successful Thanksgiving meal, where we were able to provide food and community for over 30 teens in Jefferson County.

-During our Year-End Campaign we were given a matching gift of \$3,000, which we met. Altogether, you helped to raise nearly \$10,000 to help improve our programs, send kids to camps & trips, and to gain additional resources. This gives us hope that we can reach the goals we set for ourselves to grow our ministry.

### Announcements

-As a chapter we set forth a goal for ourselves for the next five years, which is to grow the amount of ministries we offer. These ministries would include: Parent Life (working with teen moms and dads), YFC Core (working in middle & high schools with our believing students on how to reach their schools), Juvenile Justice Ministry (working with teens in detention centers), and expanding the number of City Life & Campus Life programs throughout Crooks, Deschutes, & Jefferson County.

-Jonathan VanVliet has come on board as a volunteer staff member to start a Juvenile Justice Ministry (JJM) in Bend. Both the ministry and location are brand new things for us.

There was so much more beyond this snapshot, and I am excited for all of it. I believe the Father is at work and is moving within YFC to reach Central Oregon. Join with us in prayer, support, and volunteering as we pursue the vision given to us.

Grace and Peace,

*Zach Lewis*

Executive Director  
Central Oregon YFC



## How Can You Pray for Us?

- To be blessed with more empowering adult volunteers
- For relationships to grow and develop, especially with students who are hesitant to open up.
- For a few of our students who have potential, but are hanging out with the wrong crowd
- For Jon and his leading of our new Juvenile Justice Ministry.
- For doors to open and relationships to grow in the Bend detention centers



## Drop-In

Mondays 8-10 a.m. and Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:45-5:15 p.m., at 18 SE D Street in Madras. Enjoy our rock wall, play pool, air-hockey, video games, and do homework. On Mondays we serve breakfast. It is a great time to hang out before and after school.



## CITY LIFE®

Mondays 3:45-6, at the Free Methodist Church, there is food, games, and a discussion about God, His Word, and how we fit into God's story today. The church is located at 976 S. Adams Drive in Madras.



## CAMPUS LIFE®

Wednesdays 1:30-3, at Culver High School, there is food, games, and a discussion God, His Word, and how we fit into God's story. We are in room 3, and the school is located at 710 5th Street in Culver.

### Upcoming Events!

- See **The Story: March 8th. Invite a friend!**
- Spring Trip: April 6-8**

Visit our website for details on all upcoming events!

### Central Oregon YFC on the web!

- Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/centraloregonyfc/>
- Instagram:** centraloryfc
- Twitter:** @CentralORYFC
- Website:** <http://centraloregonyfc.org/>

### More moments from the last month



**Left:** Our staff, volunteers, board members, and students who helped put on and operate the banquet (Candice Lewis not seen) **Center:** Our new JJM director, Jon and his family. **Right:** Introducing our new ministry in Bend, OR.

### Financial Support:



Central Oregon 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.