Greetings to you from Our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ!

Enclosed is information for our upcoming Regional Youth Servant Event at the Christ Lutheran in Little Rock, AR. Please duplicate or give this information to the person(s) who work with youth at your congregation.

We hope your congregation will make plans to send a group to this wonderful event!

Junior and Senior High Servant Event July 3rd - July 6th Registration forms and deposit due: June 6, 2014

Cost for this weekend is \$65 and includes: 3 nights lodging, 7 meals, and a pass for Wild River Country. A \$40 non–refundable deposit is required for each participant due by June 6, 2014.

Please make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Youth

Mail to: Tabitha Wildhirt Christ Lutheran Church 315 S Hughes St Little Rock, AR

If you need to bring more youth than the number you pre-register, make a substitution, etc. Please contact Tabitha Wildhirt by cell at 501-414-4726 or email twildhirt@clutheran.org. She will do her best to accommodate your requests - we want a full group of people to serve!

Details:

- **Theme:** "Free to Serve" We'll explore how Christ's grace gives us freedom in all aspects of our life and empowers us to have compassion for others!
- **Registration forms:** <u>Please only mail in the official Registration form</u>. Medical Releases and District Policy forms are for your use in registering your youth and should be brought with you to check in.
 - All forms are available through e-mail, contact Tabitha Wildhirt at twildhirt@clutheran.org
 - Please return the official Registration form with 1 check for everyone's deposit no later than **June 6, 2014** to the above address
- **Chaperones:** Each congregation is to provide their own counselors for their youth. Our ratio is one adult (21 years of age or older) for each 6 youth. (e.g., 7-12 youth = 2 adults) Regardless of the number of youth in your group, you must have an adult male/female counselor for male/female student group. This means that even if you bring one female or male, you must bring or arrange for there to be an adult male/female counselor. No group of students may attend without at least one adult counselor from their church. Possible group ratio examples may include:
 - A) a group of 7 students (3 girls 4 boys) = 1 male & 1 female counselor
 - B) a group of 10 students (7 girls 3 boys) = 1 male & 1 female counselor
 - C) 2 students (1 girl 1 boy) = 1 male or female counselor....

Your church may work with another church in your area in order to provide the required student/counselor ratio. However, please keep this scenario to a minimum. We would prefer you have the correct NUMBER and GENDER of counselors for your group size.

- Adult Leaders are to encourage their youth to Respect & Participate. As you affirm your youth, be blessed in this endeavor God has given you. JOY!
 - **J**esus Christ First!
 - Others-Make plans so that your youth will benefit the most from the retreat!
 - You-Be an example!
- **Participants are to bring:** a Bible, sleeping bag, air mattress (if desired), pillow, towel, toiletries, work clothes, close-toed shoes, swimsuit, a water bottle, flashlight, snacks for free time, a big smile and readiness to make friends and have fun!
 - Be prepared for the weather this time of year. Bring sunscreen and a hat!
- **EACH Church is to bring:** a cooler (for lunches), one case of water per 8 ppl in your group. Please be prepared to share your vehicles as transportation to our various worksites!
- Servant Event We will be splitting into groups to serve various organizations around Little Rock, such as Dorcas House, Rice Depot, and Habitat for Humanity. We will also have a group bless the Lutheran Camp in Petit Jean with maintenance of their camp. Due to the recent Tornado damage done in Mayflower, AR we will also attempt a cleanup/relief project there as well.
- **Technology** No Electronics during group time please! We want everyone to participate; these tend to be a distraction. We strongly recommend youth leaders collect all cell phones during the weekend ... allowing for calls home to parents to ensure their child's safe arrival or in the event of emergencies. We suggest youth leaders give their cell phone number to all parents of the youth in their groups. This will allow parents to contact one leader when necessary. We are not responsible for any lost or stolen items while at the retreat. Please leave all electronics and items of value at home.
- Check In will be Thursday evening 8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria building.
 - This will be the time to pay the remainder of your Registration fees and turn in your Medical release forms.
- Lodging and Meals- Everyone will be hosted by Christ Lutheran Church for sleeping and meals.
 - Each gender will have separate classrooms to sleep in and there will be showers available. Everything is air conditioned!
 - Meals include Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on Friday and Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday. We encourage individuals to bring their favorite snacks for during free time!
- **Travel** The program begins at 9 p.m. Thursday and ends on Sunday at approximately 12:00p.m. Please plan your travel and meals accordingly.

Enclosures: (4)

Student Flyer

District General Policy Form - 2 sided (to be brought with your group on the retreat) Medical Release - 2 sided (to be brought with your group on the retreat) Habitat For Humanity Release Form (for those 16 yrs and older to participate on a build site) Event Registration Form (to be mailed with your \$40 deposit to registrar)

MID-SOUTH DISTRICT EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

| Congregation: | City: | |
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| Adult Contact attending retreat: | | |
| Email: | Cell: | |
| Special needs we should be aware of: | | |

Photocopy as many as needed. Please print clearly each participant (youth & adults) with his or her information below. Our ratio is one adult to six youth. Please bring male and female adults if bring male and female youth. Each participant should have a complete medical release form and District Policy form brought to Check-In

| PRINT NAME | GRADE | GENDER | T-SHIRT SIZE |
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| 13 | | MF | |

Adults: ____ Youth: ____ Total number participants: ____ x \$65 = Total amount due: \$____ Deposit (\$40/ea) - \$____ (Mailed with this pre-registration)

Remainder DUE at Check In \$_____

Mail this form with 1 group check payable to:

Christ Lutheran Church 315 S Hughes St Little Rock, AR ATTN: Tabitha Wildhirt

by June 6, 2014