

## The Mid-South District MID-WINTER RETREAT Is Coming Soon!

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, we pray that you are having a fantastic week in the love of our Lord, Jesus! Today we are excited to announce the return of one of our most popular High School events... The Mid-Winter Retreat!!! This year, on February 22nd-24th at Fall Creek Falls in Tennessee, the youth leaders from Our Savior Lutheran Church in Nashville and Grace Lutheran Church in Knoxville are joining forces to reach out to all surrounding congregations within the Mid-South District to host the best Mid-Winter High School Retreat EVER!!!

As you well know our High School Youth are bombarded with millions of voices every week, every day, and often every hour of their lives. Voices that tell them that they are not worthy, not strong enough, not smart enough, not fast enough, not talented enough, not... not... And the list goes on! Every day they struggle to overcome and rise above these voices that as they listen to them often begin to sound like their own voice! Sadly for a lot of our youth these lies are heard so much that they slowly seem like the truth! That is why we are calling for your participation with us on February 22nd-24th because the time has come to take a stand! To take a stand "TOGETHER!!!" To take a stand and say we don't have to listen to those lies and those voices anymore, because we have a greater voice who calls us His Sons and His Daughters! We stand "TOGETHER" proclaiming the truth that we are stronger "TOGETHER" than we ever could be apart, because we are members of His Family! Truly, your High School Youth Group won't want to miss this opportunity to join other High Schooler Youth Groups from our area as we lift up our voices to God in thanksgiving and praise!

Here is a schedule of what this awesome weekend will hold for us!

- Friday, February 22nd, we will all plan to arrive at Fall Creek Falls and get settled into Lodge 1 which holds a total of 100 people. We will have room for 50 guys, and 50 girls to spend the weekend exploring the beautiful nature God has provided us! So be sure to sign up for your spot soon!
- Saturday, February 23rd, will be a day full of exploration, sight-seeing, games, and devotions as we discuss what it means to live a life for God *"TOGETHER!"* All meals will be provided during the day, and we will have a fantastic team ready to prepare the food for us so we will have time to enjoy all the aspects of the beautiful area around Fall Creek Falls!
- Sunday, February 24th, will be a day for worship! We will wake up, eat breakfast together, and then attend a worship service led by our Youth Leaders! This will be a fantastic way to wrap up our fun weekend by giving praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who is making us stronger *"TOGETHER"* than we ever could be apart!

For all who wish to attend this weekend we kindly ask that each participant pay only \$50 which can be made out to Our Savior Lutheran Church as Pastor Erik Christensen is making all reservations and purchasing all the food necessary for our retreat! This \$50 will pay for lodging, food, and all devotion material! You can either mail Pastor Erik the check at 5110 Franklin Pike, Nashville TN by February 3rd or bring a check with you to Fall Creek Falls!

If you are interested in signing your youth group up for this retreat we kindly ask that you take the time to follow the link, and fill out the attached google form by January 20th so we can plan according to the numbers who want to participate! Thanks for all of your support, and we can't wait to celebrate God's love with you in February!

Sign Up Here Today!!!

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