# Virginia Church of God of Prophecy Youth Ministries



Events. Sites. Books. Magazines. Other People.

It's better to be wise than strong; intelligence outranks muscle any day. Strategic planning is the key to warfare; to win, you need a lot of good counsel.

Proverbs 24:5-6

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### Introduction

Have you ever felt like you were out of ideas, you were tired, drowned out, or even your brain felt fried? As youth workers that can happen to us very easily. Sometimes our minds just don't seem to be creative as others or maybe we just don't have a clue of how to do something. But thankfully God has provided for these times. As youth workers, we have access to a channel of running water into our ministries to help us in those dry seasons, it's called Resources. Resources are references of help for us to feed from. Resources are things like upcoming events, books, magazines, experienced people, and much more. As youth workers we are blessed because there are TONS of resources for those in youth ministry!

In 1 Corinthians 12, the Bible tells us that the body is made up of many parts. Although we may not be book worms, researchers, or creative, other people are and we all make up one body. Through the resources of others they can benefit in areas that we are weak and cause us to think of more we could do in youth ministry. Resources are spread throughout in this body of Christ, and we have the opportunity to partake of them and apply them in our churches.

## **Upcoming Events**

August 15, 2010: March Schultz (Martinsville, VA)

http://www.spiritfm.com/pages/events/concerts/mark-schultz-in-concer-to.shtml

August 19, 2010: SummerFest-Building 429, Brit Nicole & Mikeschair (Waynesboro, VA) http://www.spiritfm.com/pages/events/concerts/listener-appreciation-tou.shtml

August 20, 2010: Fantastic Friday COGOP District Youth Rally (Camp Lowman) www.huddleston.cogop.org

August 28, 2010: Suffolk Summer Slam (Suffolk, VA) http://www.impactsuffolk.org/sss-home.html

August 29, 2010: DecembeRadio (Hillsville, VA) http://www.spiritfm.com/pages/events/

September 22, 2010: See You At The Pole

www.syatp.org

\*Youth Leaders this is a great opportunity to go to your schools and join your youth in prayer.

October 1-3, 2010: Fall Youth Retreat (Camp Lowman) We will see you there! <a href="https://www.vacogop.org">www.vacogop.org</a>

October 10, 2010: Tim Hawkins-Comedian (Lynchburg, VA) <a href="http://www.spiritfm.com/pages/events/a-night-of-laughter-with-.shtml">http://www.spiritfm.com/pages/events/a-night-of-laughter-with-.shtml</a>

October 21, 2010: Chris Tomlin (Salem, VA)

http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/010044E6EC36B499?artistid=982298&majorcatid=10001&minorcatid=50

October 23, 2010: Jeremy Camp (Virginia Beach, VA) http://www.klove.com/events/concerts.aspx

October 27-30, 2010: TeamUp (Murfreesboro, TN) http://teamup.cogop.org/TeamUp/Team Up.html

\*Youth workers this is something you should really try to attend. This event is put on by the Church of God of Prophecy and will be a great training event and focus on the young harvest. Register NOW!

February 11-12, 2011: Dare2Share Conference (Washington D.C.) www.dare2share.org/untour

March 4-7, 2011: Simply Youth Ministry Conference (Chicago, IL) www.conference.youthministry.com

March 25-27, 2011: Emerge Youth Conference (Orlando, FL) <a href="https://www.operationomega.org">www.operationomega.org</a>

\*This is the COGOP Youth conference.

## **Websites**

Operation Omega COGOP Int'l Youth Ministries (operationomega.org)
You can be kept up-to-date on COGOP youth events internationally by checking this site regularly.

#### Center for Parent/Youth Understanding (cpyu.org)

This is a phenomenal website where you can get current up to date information on youth culture and trends. They also offer tons of resources and great help to understanding today's youth culture. This is definitely a resource you are going to want to check out. Be sure to sign-up for the newsletter.

#### Simply Youth Ministry (simplyyouthministry.com)

This website is another great resource, providing tons of youth ministry curriculum and activities. You also get to hear from veteran youth pastors, such as Doug Fields. You can find access to many ideas and activites.

#### Group Publishing (group.com)

Group publishing is loaded with bundles of great resources and references. You will also find many free samples to look at. They also put out a magazine that comes packed with resources for youth ministry. Be sure to check it out.