

year. They have a great time of study, but also a wonderful time of fellowship.

Studies: Check the website for both "High Dive" the sr. high only study and "Jump" the Middle School only study that meet twice a month during the school year. They are amazing and open to all youth.



Hoops-4-Him is the area Christian youth basketball league that FUSION participates in. It is open for youth 4th-12th grade. You do NOT have to be a member of the church to play, but you must regularly attend FUSION events.

Sr. High Prayer Breakfast meets each Wednesday morning at Chick-Fil-A on Peace Haven Road. They enjoy a meal together, spend some time in prayer and have a quick devotional. Zero-Period starts at 7PM while "Regular" starts at 8AM.



Imago Dei (Image of God) is the new name of the "Arts" ministry of FUSION. This includes the Drama Team, Praise Band, Dance Team, Visual Arts, Multi-Media and more.

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PROGRAM BOOKLET

August 2008-September 2009



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Fusion Staff:



Rev. Steve Keaton **Minister of Students**

Steve joined the team in March 2005 and has been in youth ministry since 1992. He has a true passion for youth and God and is very relational in his approach to ministering to the needs of youth and their families. If you can't find Steve in the office, you'll more than likely find him hanging out with youth, watching a youth's ballgame, at Peak Fitness or at a local coffeehouse. Steve was raised in Charlotte.

Steve's Email: Steve@MtTaborUMC.org

Whitney Cole **Student Ministries Associate**

Whitney joined the FUSION team in February 2008 and she has been an amazing addition to the ministry. She has fresh ideas and is extremely relational with the students. Whitney was raised in Concord, NC and loves reading, hanging out with students & watching funny movies.



Whitney's Email: Whitney.Cole@MtTaborUMC.org

Fleeta Hall - Education Assistant



Fleeta was raised at Mt. Tabor. She handles many of the logistical and administrative tasks of the ministry. This allows Steve and Whitney to spend more quality time in ministry with the students. Fleeta always has a smile on her face and possesses a heart of gold. She is a blessing.

Fleeta's Email: Fleeta.Hall@MtTaborUMC.org

6th: Fusion Leadership Team Training Day

The 2008-2009 will meet for a day of planning and training to prepare for the new Fusion year. Times to be announced

21st-22nd: "FUSION U" 6th Grade Retreat

This is a chance for all rising 6th graders to get all the inside information and welcomed into Fusion at this awesome retreat at the church. The cost is \$35 and covers all expenses and a really cool T-shirt. It takes place at the church from 6PM on Friday to 12Noon on Saturday.



23rd: Back-2-School Bash

This is an annual party celebrating a great summer and giving one last BLAST OFF before entering the new school year. This is the night that 6th Graders become OFFICIAL Fusion members. Come and enjoy this FREE party and bring your friends. 6-8PM in th Family Life Center and the Youth Area. Inflatable games, food and much more.

30th: Parent/Youth Nite Dinner & Info Meeting 6

-7:30PM in the Family Life Center. This is for all youth and their entire family. Come and enjoy a night of fellowship, a meal and get all the details on ALL the Fusion events planned through next August.

30th: Senior High BIG Mission Trip Info Mtg.

All current 9th-12th graders are eligible to attend the 2010 Sr. High BIG Mission Trip. Location to be announced during the summer of 2009.

Other Amazing FUSION Happenings:

ABBS (Age-Based Bible Studies): These groups meet weekly and are divided by gender and grade. They meet with the same adult leaders throughout the





this covered-dish meal. You'll get last minute details and all are asked to drop their luggage. Starts at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall

11th-19th: BIG Mission trip 2009

Mission: Mexico

The team will board the charter bus and head out to Juarez, Mexico where they will build homes for homeless families with Casa por Cristo. CpC has been providing this mission for over 15 years and built almost 3,000 homes. The cost is only \$750. A Permission Slip/Covenant/Application must be filled out.



22nd: Andy Burton Memorial Golf Tournament

This is a great day of fun, fellowship and golf. The best part is you don't even have to be a golfer to play. 2 Tee times to choose from. Pick the morning or the after and bring your own team. Cost is \$75 per golfer and sponsorship opportunities are available. The ABMGT will take place at Bermuda Run West Golf Club. This is a fundraiser for Fusion.



24th-26th: Middle School Mission Madness

FUSION will once again participate in the Tsunami Ministries Middle School Mission at the Children's Home. Churches from around the Carolinas will join them. Cost: \$75



27th-31st: FUSION Helping with VBS

This year there will be a daytime and nighttime VBS and FUSION is helping in all aspects of the event.

August 2008



Student Ministries Weekly Schedule

Sunday: 8:30AM Worship Service
 9AM Higher Ground "Contemporary Worship"
 9:45AM Sunday School
 11AM Worship Service
 5:30PM Youth Choir
 6PM Open Gym & Compassion Cafe
 7PM "Main Event" (Weekly Programming/Fellowship)

Wednesday: 7AM "Zero Period" Prayer Breakfast @ Chick-Fil-A
 7:45AM Sr. H. Prayer Breakfast @ Chick-Fil-A on Peace Haven Rd.
 6PM "High Dive" Sr. High Bible Study (1st & 3rd Wednesdays)
 "Jump" Mid. School Study (2nd & 4th Wednesdays)

Assume regular weekly schedule unless otherwise noted.

August 2008

22nd-23rd: FUSION U (6th Grade Retreat)



A retreat "ONLY" for rising 6th graders at MTUMC. This is an overnigher. Perfect for getting their feet wet and informing them of all the awesome things ahead. \$35.

24th: FUSION Back-2-School Bash

This event kicks off the new school year and is a huge party. FREE! Inflatable games, food, music, giveaways and a volleyball tourney. 6-8PM in the Family Life Center.

29th: Tailgate Party #1 (Reagan @ Mt. Tabor)

This FUSION tailgate is held on the front lawn of Northwest Baptist Church (on Petree Road) and is FREE. Come eat, hang out and then go to the game.

31st: Combined FUSION

Yes! FUSION will meet on Labor Day weekend. Show up and bring your friends.



September 2008

7th: Senior High BIG Mission Trip Info Mtg.

All current 9th-12th graders are eligible to attend the annual Sr. High BIG Mission Trip. In 2009 the team will return to Juarez, Mexico (site of the 2006 BIG Mission Trip) and build 2-3 houses for homeless families. This is ONLY an information meeting. Come and get the details and see what you think. 5PM - Sanctuary.



7th: Parent/Youth Nite Dinner & Info Mtg

6-7:30PM in the Family Life Center. This is for all youth and their entire family. Come and enjoy a night of fellowship, a meal and get all the details on ALL the Fusion events planned through next August.

8th: FUSION Nite @ Chick-Fil-A

Come on out and enjoy a meal at Chick-Fil-A while Steve, Whitney and other FUSION leaders serve the food. 10% of the money made will go back to FUSION. 5-9PM.



12th: Fusion Tailgate Party #2 (West @ Reagan)

All youth are invited to this fun night of food & fellowship from 3:30-7:30PM in the parking lot of Reagan High School. This is FREE but donations are accepted.



14th: FUSION @ District Youth Rally

4-6PM at The Children's Home. Fun, Games, Food & Steve in the "Dunking Booth!" Meet there. FREE event.

20th: Youth Sunday Set-Up & Rehearsal

Youth who have specific parts, including band members and drama team member are required to be at the set-up and rehearsal in the sanctuary from 6-7:30PM.



They will be celebrated at the 11AM Service and then the Graduate Luncheon will take place in the FLC immediately following the service.

7th: Mt. Tabor High School Baccalaureate Service at Mt. Tabor UMC. 7PM

7th: No Fusion HIGH SCHOOL Main Event MTHS Baccalaureate Service

Middle School will still meet at the regular times.

7th: BIG Mission Trip "Tool Time" Training #3

All members of the Sr. High Mission Team to Juarez, Mexico MUST be present to this training event. You will assist the Children's Ministry in building the props and sets for the 2009 Vacation Bible School. From 3-6PM



20th-27th: Summer Camp

This trip is one of the most incredible experiences of the year & helps start the summer off in an amazing way. We'll spend a week at the beach, soaking up the sun and growing in our relationship with God. The cost is \$300 & covers the ocean-front house, most meals, T-shirt, transportation and more. The deadline to turn in your \$150 deposit and permission slip is Sunday, March 16th. Space is limited!

27th: NO Main Event - Summer Camp

July 2008

5th: NO Main Event - 4th of July Weekend

10th: Mission Trip Pre-Trip Meal & Luggage Drop

ALL members of the team and their families are invited to



balance paid this night.



17th: BIG Mission Trip

"Tool Time" Training #2

All members of the Sr. High Mission Team to Juarez, Mexico MUST be present to this training event. You will assist the Children's Ministry in building the props and sets for the 2009 Vacation Bible School. From 3-6PM

24th: No Main Event (Memorial Day Weekend)

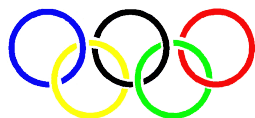
30th: Youth Sunday @ Higher Ground Rehearsal

Please meet in the Family Life Center at 4PM to help set-up. All youth with specific parts are asked to be present to rehearse their parts. You should be done by 6PM.

31st: Youth Sunday @ Higher Ground

ALL youth and adult leaders are asked to be present, wearing your FUSION T-shirt, by 8:30PM. FUSION will lead worship and have a blast doing it.

31st: Messy Olympics



That's right! We are changing it up and ending the year with a full-on BLOW-UP as grades team-up and compete in some hilarious and extremely messy competitions. 6-8PM at the church. Wear some old clothes and bring a change!

June 2009

7th: Graduate Sunday Service and Luncheon

The 2009 High School Graduates are asked to meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:35AM wearing their caps & gowns.



21st: Youth Sunday @ 8:45 Praise & Worship and the 11:00 Traditional Service

Fusion is taking over the worship services on the 30th. Youth will do everything from the message to the music. ALL youth and adult leaders are asked to be at both services wearing their NEW Fusion T-shirt. Please be in the Sanctuary NO LATER than 8:30AM and be prepared to show the church how Fusion worships God!

21st: Hoops-4-Him Registration Begins!



All youth, 4th-6th grade, are eligible to play basketball for MTUMC in the area Hoops-4-Him Christian Basketball League.

24th: See You @ The Pole

Every youth is encouraged to meet at the flag pole of their school, before school, on this date to pray for their school, the community and the world. Check your school for the time of your meeting at the pole.



28th: FUSION @ MTUMC Church Picnic @ The Children's Home

5:30-7:30PM. Don't miss this annual event. It is FREE and there is plenty to do. Great music, awesome games, climbing wall and much more. Meet and get picked up there.

October 2008

4th: Higher Ground Youth Sunday Rehearsal

All youth who have a specific part or are in the band or drama team are asked to please be present to rehearse for the worship service. Other youth who can help with the set-up are asked to please be here at 4PM as well.



5th: Higher Ground Youth Sunday Service

That's right! Fusion is taking over the Higher Ground Worship Service this Sunday. ALL youth and adult leaders are asked to be in the Family Life Center, wearing their NEW Fusion T-shirt NO LATER than 8:30AM. This is always a great service and the church LOVES it!

5th: Senior High Whitewater Rafting

FUSION will head to Charlotte to experience the US Whitewater Center which is a remarkable man-made rafting center. This will take the place of the Sr. High Main Event for Sunday Night. Cost is \$85.



5th: BIG Mission Trip Info Meeting #2

This is the deadline to register and pay your deposit for the 2009 Sr. High Mission Trip to Juarez, Mexico with Casa por Cristo. All forms and the \$125 deposit is due at this time. Check CpC out by visit www.casaporcristo.org

19th: CROP Walk

FUSION will participate in this annual walk to raise money to fight world hunger. Meet at the church at 2PM to head over for the CROP Walk. Bring money for dinner. The group will go eat dinner together after the walk.



19th: NO MAIN EVENT due to CROP Walk

26th: Trunk or Treat @ Fall Festival

FUSION will do something really cool for the children of the church. We will park our cars in the lot and decorate them for the Fall Festival and invite the children to come by and get some candy. Get creative. There will be a VERY cool prize for the best car! 1 FREE registration to Fall Retreat!!! Come on & be a part.



April 2009

12th: No Main Event! Easter Sunday

25th: MTUMC Great Day of Service

Details about this event will be published by the church after the first of the year.

26th: BIG Mission Trip "Tool Time" Training #1

All members of the Sr. High Mission Team to Juarez, Mexico MUST be present to this training event. You will assist the Children's Ministry in building the props and sets for the 2009 Vacation Bible School. From 3-6PM

29th: Confirmation Night @ Tabor Table

This is the annual celebration of the MTUMC Confirmation Class. All confirmations and mentors are asked to attend.

May 2009

1st: Confirmation Cook-Out

All confirmands are asked to be at the cookout NO LATER than 6PM for this annual Confirmation tradition as the group cooks out and enjoys some time of fun and fellowship.

3rd: Confirmation Sunday

Confirmation Worship Service will be at 3PM in the Sanctuary. Open to the entire church.



10th: NO Main Event (Mother's Day)

17th: Sr. High BIG Mission Trip Meeting

This is the LAST meeting. All participants are asked to be present with a parent at this MANDATORY meeting at 8:30PM in the Youth Commons. You will need to have your



March 2009

1st: DodgeFest Dodge Ball Tournament



Get your team together and come on out for the 2nd annual dodge ball extravaganza with 3 competition levels: Middle School Co-ed, Sr. High Co-ed & the top level of Wrench-Dodgers. The cost is only \$60 per team and you will get food and an awesome T-shirt.

7th: Youth Leaders Training Conference



All Fusion youth workers are invited and encouraged to attend a 1-day youth worker training conference in Charlotte at Mt. Zion UMC. Registration is at 9AM and you'll be home around 7PM. Your cost is covered and lunch is included

8th: Sr. High BIG Mission Trip Meeting

8:30PM in the Youth Commons. This is a MANDATORY MEETING.

ARE YOU GONNA GO



MY WAY?

JOHN 14:6

FUSION SPRING RETREAT 2009

20th-22nd: Fusion Spring Retreat

This is our own retreat and we'll have a blast. Bring your friends and join in the fun. Deadline to register for the Spring Retreat is Sunday, March 8th. Cost is \$135 and covers lodging, 4 meals at Camp Thunderbird, transportation, T-shirt and more.

You don't want to miss out on this awesome weekend and the Saturday night time of saying "goodbye" to the seniors.

22nd: NO Main Event: Return from Retreat



November 2008

7th: Tailgate Party #3 West vs. Mt. Tabor

5:30-7PM on the grass at Northwest Baptist Church. FREE! Donations are accepted.

14th-16th: Fall Retreat 2008 @ Look-Up!



This is NOT the weekend to miss! The Tsunami Ministries Fall Retreat is always one of the best of the entire year. Great music, great messages and tons of fun at Look-Up Lodge near Greenville, SC. Open to all youth. The cost is \$145 and covers your lodging, event fee, T-shirt, 4-meals at Look-Up and your chartered bus transportation. The theme this year is "STAND" Only 80 youth spots are available. REGISTER NOW!

16th: NO Main Event: Return from Retreat

30th: NO Main Event: Thanksgiving Weekend

December 2008

13th: Fusion Leadership Team Christmas Party



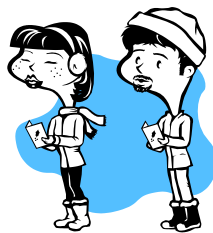
The annual FLT Christmas Party will take place in the party room at Beef O'Brady's restaurant on Robinhood Road from 7-9PM. Come, hang out, enjoy some food and have a wonderful time of celebrating the season.

14th: Fusion Christmas Party

The Christmas Party will be a little different this year. The parties will take place at Chris Frantz' house and the Middle



School party is from 6-7:30PM, and the Sr. High party runs from 7:30-9PM. Bring 1 wrapped \$5 gift for the crazy gift game & 1 unwrapped \$5 gift for an area needy child.



21st: FUSION Christmas Caroling

From 5-7PM the group will sing at area nursing centers and for Shut-in, then from 7:30-8:30PM the group will head to Beef O'Brady's for dinner.

Bring money for dinner.

28th: NO Main Event: Christmas Holidays

January 2009

4th: Confirmation Class 2009 Begins



This is the 1st Class (MANDATORY for youth and parents) for youth 7th grade & older who wish to be confirmed. The meeting will take place at 10AM in the Sanctuary.

4th: Winter/Spring Parent/Youth Nite

Come enjoy a meal and get all the details on all the awesome student ministries events planned through August 2006. Each grade level is asked to bring something for the meal. 6-7:30PM.

4th: Senior High "BIG" Mission Trip Meeting



All participants and a parent are asked to attend this mandatory meeting for more info about the trip. 7:45PM in the Youth Commons. This is also the LAST day to withdraw from the trip and get your money back.



February 2009

1st: Senior High Ski Trip to Winterplace, WV



Strap on your skis for a great day of skiing. This is a day trip and the group will leave at 8AM and be back by 10PM. Cost is \$100 and covers your transportation, skis and more. Cost for those with skis is only \$80.

6th-8th: "Summit" Winter Retreat

This is a conference event for all youth & takes place at Appalachian State University. Steve is the Speaker and 7-Miles will be back leading music. The cost is \$140 for the weekend.

12th: "True Love Waits" Concert

This concert with Courtney Phelps, Fate of Angels & Speaker Terry Weaver will be FREE and open to all area youth ministries. Held in the Family Life Center.



15th: Deadline to Register for Confirmation Retreat (MANDATORY)

15th: "Young @ Heart" Valentine's Luncheon

The student ministries will take this opportunity to serve the older adults of MTUMC a great luncheon in a Valentine's setting. All members of the leadership team are asked to be present for set-up, cooking, serving and clean-up. The event will be immediately after the 11AM worship service.



27th-March 1st: Confirmation Retreat

Fusion is doing its own Confirmation Retreat this year and it will take place at The Vineyard. This is a MANDATORY event for all confirmation class members. The cost is \$125 and the money and permission slip are due NO LATER than Sunday, February 15th.