

Youth & Family Update — October 2007

Montana Lutheran Youth Organization (MLYO) Seeks Adult Advisor

Love God? Love teens?

We'd love to call YOU to be our new
MLYO Adult Advisor!

Montana Lutheran Youth Organization (MLYO) is the synodical expression of the ELCA's church-wide Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO). It is a ministry for high school youth (grades 9-12) that is carried out primarily by other high school youth. MLYO is organized around a board of elected officers who represent the young people in the congregations across our synod. This board receives encouragement, mentoring, and advisement from an Adult Advisor who can be either a rostered person or lay leader.

The Advisor assists the board with the planning of 3 synod-wide events each year: Fall Gathering, Spring Convocation, and Moseleadrium (Leadership Training School). The Advisor is the primary contact for board members, and helps the youth

work through some of the details of each event: selecting a theme, contacting speakers, and so on. The board and the Advisor also receive administrative support from the Synod Youth & Family Coordinator, for help with registrations, communicating information, etc.

If you would be willing to share your gifts for youth ministry with teens throughout the synod, please contact the Synod Office (453-1461), Synod Youth & Family Coordinator Tammy Bull (868-8687) or any of the MLYO Board Members. You can also contact us by e-mail. Go to the MT Synod web site www.montanasynd.org, click on the "Youth & Young Adults" tab, and select "MLYO" from the drop-down menu. Page down until you find the person you wish to contact and click on the envelope icon.

Your prayers for our youth, and for the raising up of a new Adult Advisor would be most welcome!

Today's youth are not the future of the church . . .
they are but one member of the Body of Christ . . .
without which the body is neither whole nor fully alive.

Upcoming Events

November 9-11, 2007—
MLYO Fall Gathering
@ Lewistown
(HS YOUTH)

February 15-17, 2008—
Youth Encounter @
Billings (MS Youth)

April 18-20, 2008—
I Believe! Jr. High
Retreat @ Camp on
the Boulder (MS
Youth)

July 29-August 1, 2008—
Western States
Youth Gathering @
Anaheim, CA (HS
YOUTH)

July 22-26, 2009—ELCA
National Youth Gather-
ing @ New Orleans
(HS YOUTH)

If your local congregation or cluster is hosting a retreat, workshop, or event that would be of interest to other youth in the synod, or that supports adult youth leaders, parents, or the family, please let us know so that the information can be shared.



REMINDER: October 15th was the deadline for "early bird" registrations for the MLYO Fall Gathering. If you have not registered and want to attend, contact Tammy Bull (406) 868-8687 or (406) 454-1309 before November 1.