

# SEPTEMBER YOUTH CALENDAR

Welcome back! Hope you are ready for a FUN fall with us! We are going to try and do something a little different this fall to see how it works. We will have activities for both middle and high school groups while the other group is meeting so that you can (ideally) come from 5:00-7:30. I realize this isn't always possible, but we want you to give it a shot, and let us know what you think—



Starting in October, our regular schedule will look very similar to our old one: MS at 5:00; Dinner for all at 5:45; and HS at 6:45. The difference is that we will have various activities for MS while HS is meeting and vice versa—and we are giving you a little more time to fellowship during the dinner hour as requested! Once a month, we will all meet together for the first half and then meet with TJ Shirley (who is very cool—more about TJ below) the second half. This is an experiment, so please keep us posted as to what you think. And don't forget to keep this calendar handy, as well as to check your email, since I will still send our weekly email to everyone.



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**—We have a LOT going on today. First of all, we will have ALL 6th-12th grade students meet in Gailey Hall during SS so that you can all see our wonderful Honduras trip pictures, and hear about our travels! Parents are also invited.

ALSO 9/11—TAILGATE PARTY immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service! We will gather as a church to have a picnic to celebrate the coming year, including hot dogs, burgers, and pork tacos. This is a great chance to reconnect with everyone, so come and join us!

ALSO 9/11—GET TO KNOW ME! Party from 5-7 p.m. for all 6th-12th graders in Gailey Hall. We will have lots of fun and games, and share some pizza (please bring \$5 for dinner). This is a great time for you to bring a friend with you!

*One more thing...Most of you are too young to really remember 9/11/2001, but I consider it the defining moment of my generation. I will never, ever forget what a beautiful day it was—and how so many innocent people lost their lives on that day because of some crazy folks. Our nation pulled together and held onto one another in ways I have never seen. I am grateful beyond measure to those men and women who gave their lives on that day, and have given them since so that you and I can not have to worry about that happening again. Please take a moment today to thank God for them, and for their families.*



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**—Regular Sunday School starts, with Middle School in the Gym, and High School in Gailey Hall. Also we will be helping with the Sandy Springs Festival this afternoon, so you can come on over any time between 1-5 and find the church booth. Helping is a great way to earn service hours! We won't have regular youth group that night since we will be there.



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**—This Sunday will be our “once a month” time when we will ALL meet together as a group from 5:00-5:45; have dinner/fellowship from 5:45-6:45 (please bring \$5 for dinner); and spend time with TJ Shirley from 6:45-7:30. TJ is going to help us learn how to lead in the worship services—whether singing, playing an instrument, speaking, dancing, passing things out, etc. If you think you are not a worship leader, then think again—we are ALL worship leaders! So please plan on trying this one out to see how it goes.

Please plan on bringing a 12 pack of your favorite drink to help fill up our refrigerator. And don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions or comments!

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