



Week #33

Small Group Leader Notes

May 14th & 17th 2017

This is it. This is our last week of regular Youth Group. Summer has arrived, whether we are ready or not! Summer newsletters should be arriving in your mailboxes this week with information on what will be happening between now and August (August is when Lifeguard Training kicks back up again!). Be sure to read the newsletter, check out the website (edgewateralliance.org/connect/youth) and look at social media (Instagram= [easmforthewin](https://www.instagram.com/easmforthewin) Twitter= [@easmonline](https://twitter.com/easmonline) Facebook= Edgewater Alliance Student Ministries) to find out about updates on Summer events and to see posts. Also, don't be a stranger, say "Hi!" every once and a while!

Reminders & Announcements:

1. This is the week **Summer Mission Trip Applications** are **due!!** Get your students to turn in their applications! Acceptance letters will be mailed out by **May 18th**.
2. Don't forget that our final **Lifeguard Meeting** will be on **May 20th @ Rotary Park from 11a.m.-2p.m.** It is going to be a church wide volunteer gathering. EAC wants to celebrate everyone who makes EAC happen all year round! It is going to be a good time of fellowship and food. EAC will be providing the main dish (hamburgers & hotdogs), but is asking for everyone to bring a dish to share and chairs to sit in! (park seating is limited)
3. To help us do ministry better we have made Surveys to assess this ministry year. **After Youth Group on Wednesday night we are requesting all volunteers to fill out the Survey before leaving. Sunday morning leaders will get their surveys from House as D-Teams have already wrapped up.** Please keep your survey anonymous & honest!

Sunday Morning: D-Teams have concluded for the school year. See you again in September!

Wednesday Night: April 26th @ 6:30p.m. Upstairs at EAC. This is our final Wednesday night! As in years past, we will be allowing the Graduating Seniors to pass on what they've learned and observed over their years in EASM. Then we will Commission and pray over them as they continue to follow where God is leading. We want to also Commission the whole youth group to apply the truths we've uncovered over the year, to figure out where they stand and what they are going to do about it. We will have a time of prayer over all of the youth as we release them for the Summer. Big Group will conclude with a short interview of Cassie Smith who will be baptized at the close of Big Group.

Scripture Passages: Mathew 28:16-20; Acts 1:8

Take a group photo with your students and text it to House or Connor!

Small Group Questions:

1. What was your favorite memory from Small Group this year? Why is that your favorite memory?
2. What was your favorite Big Group talk from this year? Why was it your favorite?
3. What was a discussion that you either didn't like or didn't understand? What didn't you like or understand?
4. What do we know to be True because of the things we studied this year? (Subcategories were: Truths about God, Truths About Man, Relevant Transformation, On Mission)
5. Is Truth sometimes hard to hear? Is it still true even if we don't want to hear it?

6. Why do you think God tells us truths that aren't easy or fun to hear? (because He loves us and wants us to know truth instead of lies)
7. What are we supposed to do with truth? (Act on it, live it out)
8. What are some ways that you are going to live out Truth this Summer?
9. How do we want to keep in touch this Summer?
10. How can we be praying for each other over the Summer?

But be sure to let your students own the discussion. Help them see and unpack the hard things of this year as well as remember and celebrate the Wins of this year. 😊

Close your time together with prayer!