

2022 STORIES

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Psalms 111:2-4 NLT

21 Days of Prayer January

Days focused on learning & practicing prayer online & in-person.



► SunRidgers shared their devotions through short videos posted during the 21 days.



Family Room In-Person February The Family Room is something we started when we were only allowed to meet online. It consisted of prayer, worship, and teaching from several people from our church family. Now that we can meet in-person we want to keep this going!



Date Nights Throughout the Year A hangout for kids at the church while parents can go out and be refreshed!



Youth Feb-March Campfires, worship, devotions, unicorn hot chocolates, DQ, tshirt painting, relationship talks with Darlene Unrau, grounders, games, so many good times together in these months :)



SunLand Lessons

This year SunLand taughts memory verses and lessons which aligned with what's being taught in the main Gathering.



Youth Lessons April

Nikki being a champ and teaching @ridgeyouthkelowna about forgiveness!



Easter In-Person The last two years we have gathered over the Easter weekend online. It was so so good to be able to gather in-person this year to reflect on the significance of Jesus dying on the cross on Friday, and then celebrate Jesus rising back to life on Sunday!

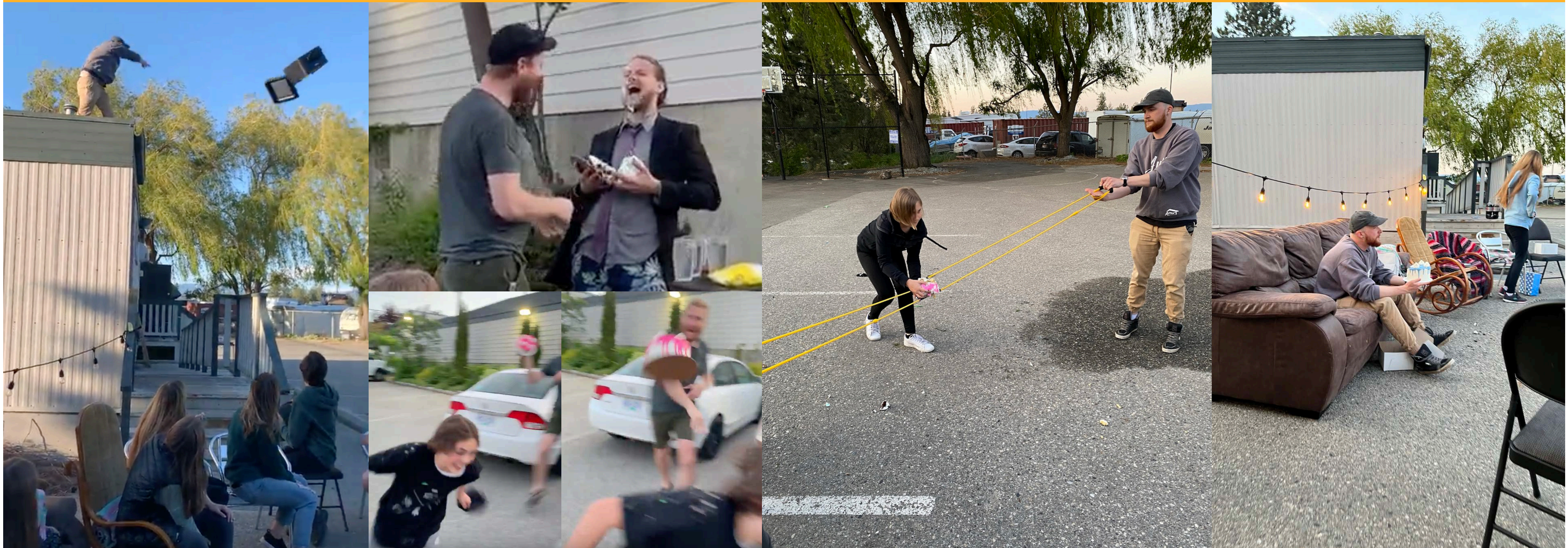


Marriage Course Spring It is the first time that SunRidge has hosted the course in person, in a beautiful setting, with a romantic meal and child care provided. It has been a lot of work, but the payoff has been such a blessing for the attendees and volunteers. There have been tears of joy, laughter, and intensity around the tables as habits have been questioned and as marriages have been sharpened and equipped for a stronger future.



Smash Things, Shoot Things, Paint Things Youth Wrap-Up Party!!! May 25

Pretty much exactly as the title describes PLUS A CAKE FIGHT!!!!



Family Camp June After two years of missing our annual church family camp weekend it was so so great to be back together around a campfire! This past weekend SunRidge camped at Fintry. We enjoyed a relaxed pace through meals, devos, and worship around a fire. Great conversations unfolded, very creative things were roasted over the fire (cake in an orange!? marshmallows in bananas?! pie?! all delicious, fish were caught, games were played, snoring was heard from a few tents, and awesome times were had. We spent time considering Proverbs 4:23 together which says, "Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life." So good to have the chance to sit and consider how our hearts are doing so we can really live as God wants us to! Huge congrats to Cheryl who was baptised on Sunday!



OOSC Summer Camp July This week, OOSC started its summer camp program. The theme: “Around the World”! So far they have “been” to Hawaii, Disney Land and Mexico. If you use your imagination, you may see some of their adventures as they surf, fly in first class and dress up as Disney mascots. They also had a culinary adventure in “authentic” Polynesian food: Hawaiian Pizza!



Baptisms! August Some of the local Chinese community reached out to our church family asking for baptism. As a result, we had the great pleasure of conducting a baptism class with these brothers and sisters and on Sunday, August 14th, seven of them took the important step of committing their lives to Christ through the symbol of baptism! What an honor it was to celebrate together. The weather was great; the Okanagan lake was a beautiful backdrop; God is so good. Praise his name! Later in the Fall Xavier Seaton, Alaric Seaton, Sorin Seaton and West Schmidt were baptized as well!



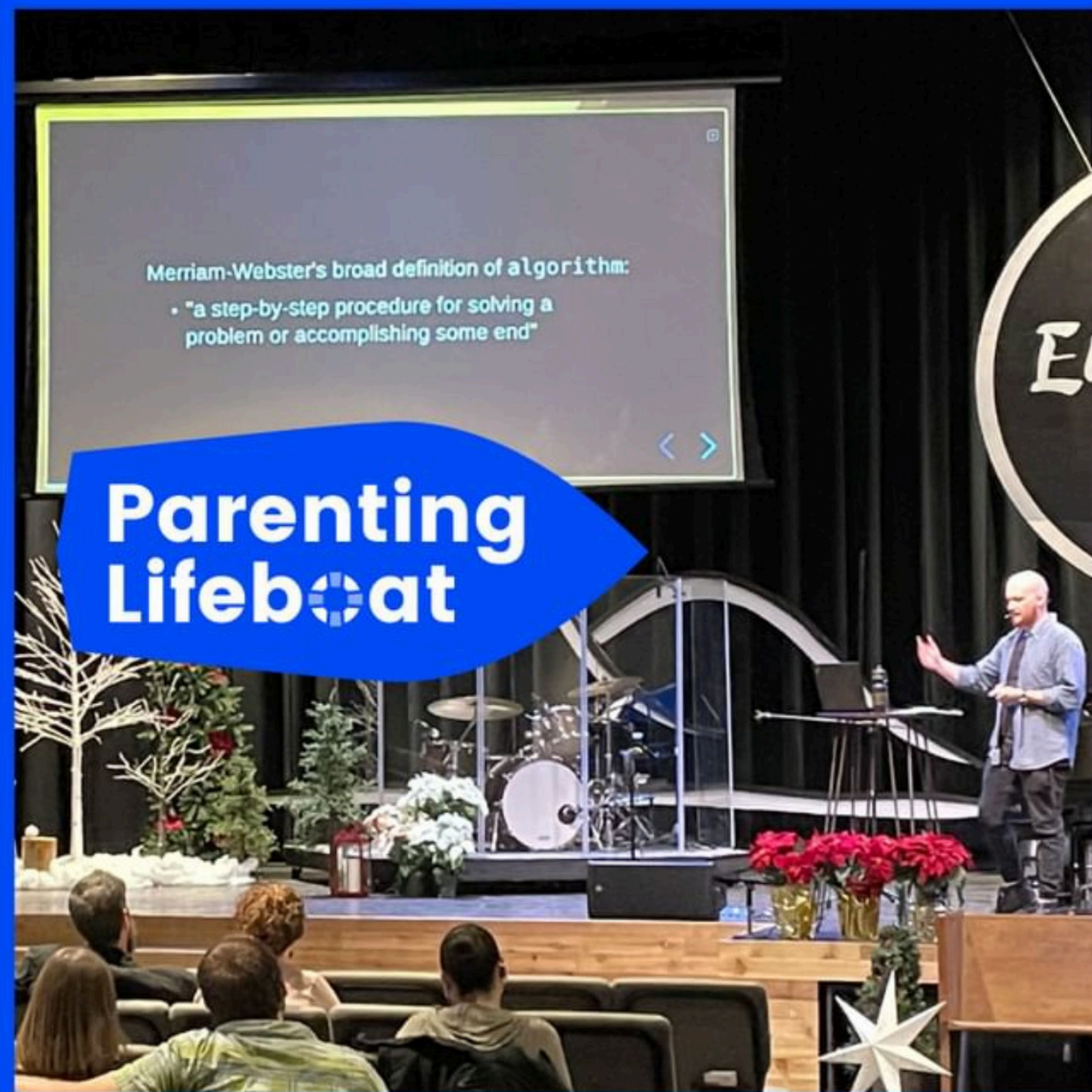
Men's Group Began **September** Brisket, ribs, chicken, and enough variety of salad to keep things righteous. The event was the Men's Ministry kickoff dinner at Shawn's house. About 17 men showed up to eat, play ping pong and have fellowship. The aim of the event was to introduce a new Sunridge Ministry that we hope will call men into a closer walk with the Lord. This important ministry is aimed at men of all ages and will start in the fall.



SunRidge Turned 25 **October** We enjoyed lunch and dessert together while listening to people share stories about how God has walked with them through church family at SunRidge. Such a huge thanks to everyone who made this gathering happen! Alsoooo... that time that Steve got us all clapping in anticipation of him rapping his story?!?!? So good God has been good to us these past 25 years, through the joyful, unsure, hilarious, difficult, and good times.



Parent Lifeboat November 26 Emmanuel Church hosted Parenting in a Digital World. It was a collaboration between Westside Churches and their respective Family Ministry Pastors and was 5 months in the making. Cole Hubscher was the keynote speaker. We're so excited to start offering these sessions!



Shawn & Lisa Transition to KGF

December December 4th was Shawn & Lisa Klassen's last Sunday with SunRidge before they go on to be a part of Kelowna Gospel Fellowship! Shawn has accepted the position of lead pastor there and will start there in the New Year! It was so meaningful to hear from both Shawn and Lisa, about their time with the SunRidge church family for the past 8 years, and to hear about their calling to now walk with another church family. We had such a good time of prayer for them from the stage, for KGF, and for SunRidge. While it is always sad to say "goodbye" it is so joyful to look back at our good memories together and, as a church family, to join in the joy of sending people to go, to bless, and do the Lord's work! May God SO bless Shawn, Lisa, and Mackenzie as they now go to serve our brothers and sisters at KGF! We love you guys and we love the KGF church family!



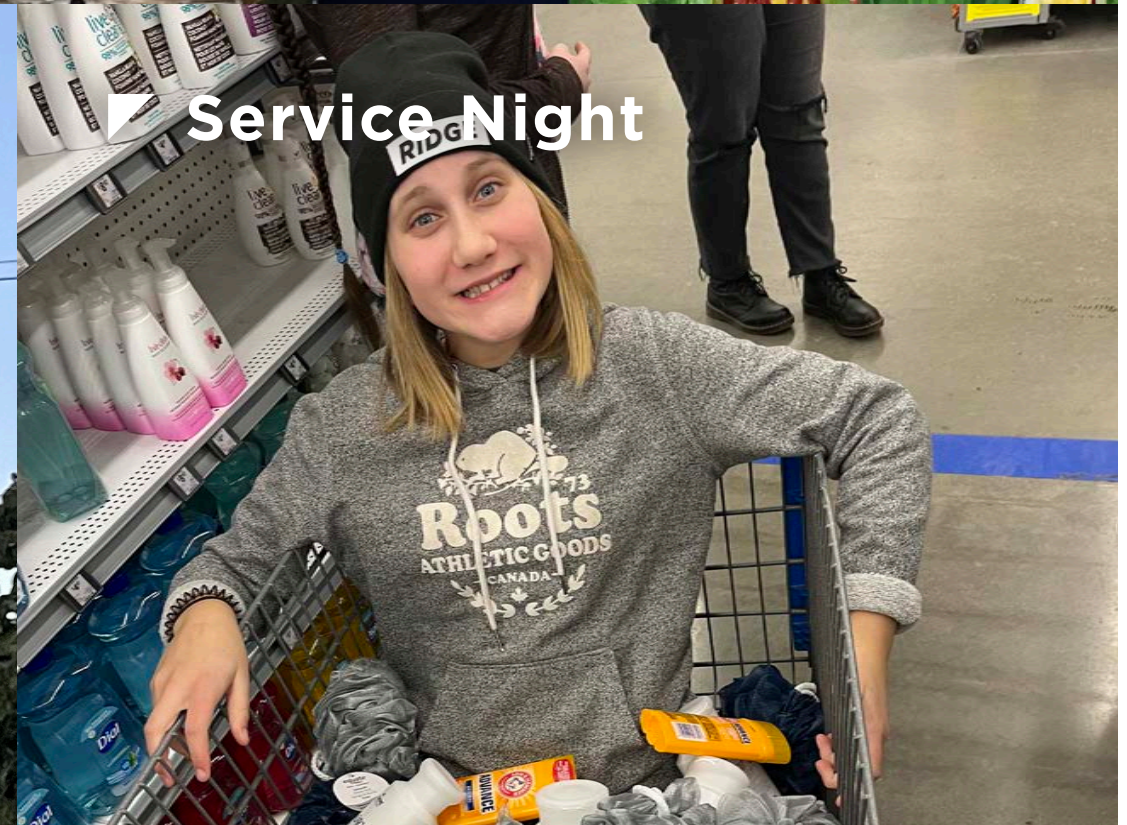
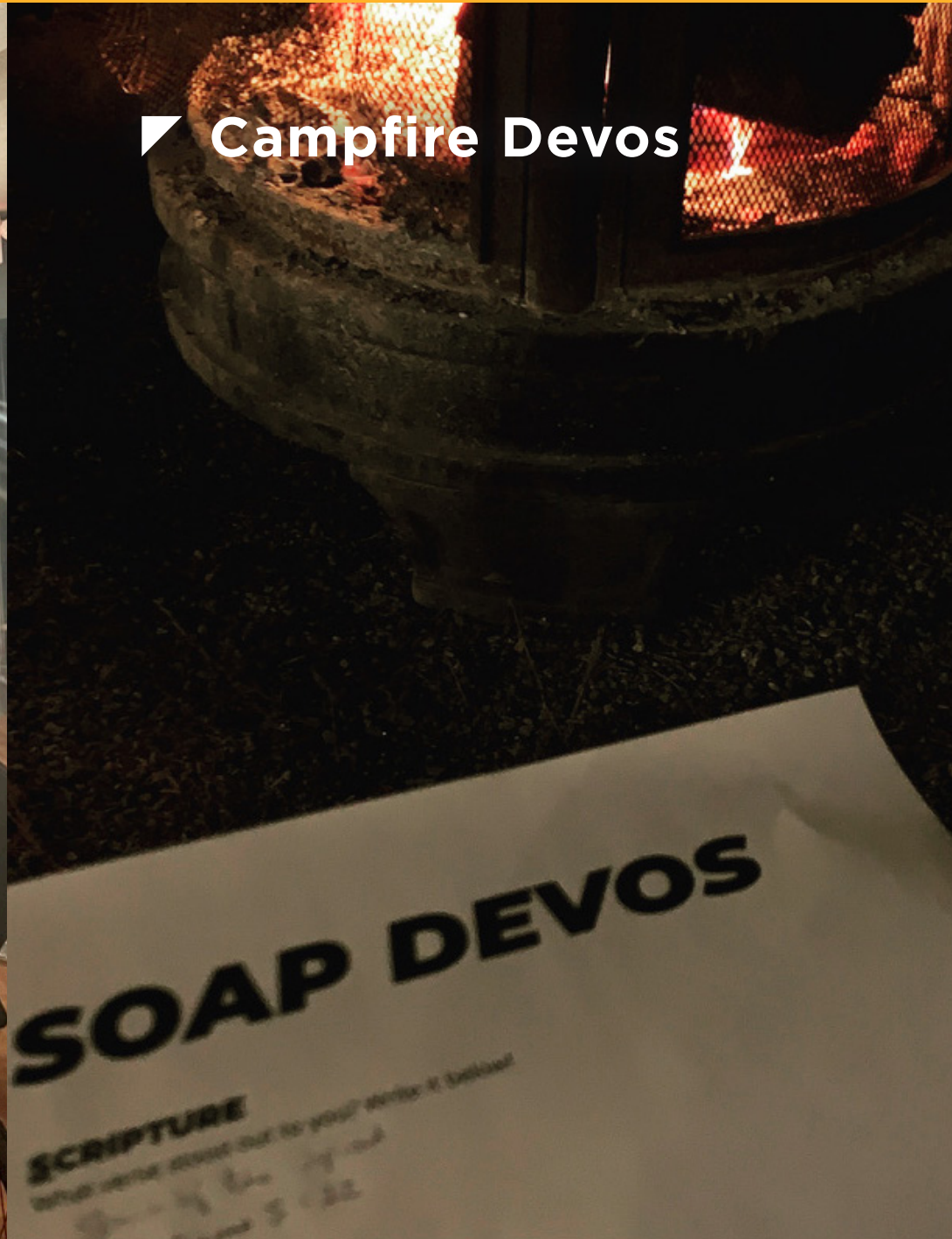
Ladies Devotions Throughout the Year A Friday morning meeting of women where hymns are sung, devotions are written and shared, people are prayed over, and sharing the Gospel is practiced!



Student Court Lights! Sometime that was **freezing...** Have you been out there at night now?? Those lights are like the sun out there!! We're so excited for the good times this space can now facilitate at night!



Youth Sept-Dec Worship around a campfire, S.O.A.P. devotions, Alpha discussions, smashing pumpkins, human gingerbread creations, tortilla face slapping, Salvation Army stocking shopping. The 2nd half of 2022 youth has been a blast!



Community Christmas Dinner

18th Annual dinner for people in our community!



Post Dinner Dance Parties!



Teaching Series Jan - Dec

voice like a trumpet blast. "It said... write in a book* everything you see, and seal it to the seven churches in the cities of Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea." "When I turned to see who was sitting in the middle of the lampstand like the Son of Man.* He was wearing a gold sash across his chest, his hair was white like wool, and his eyes were like flames of fire. His feet were like polished bronze and his voice thundered like waves. "He held seven stars, and a sharp two-edged sword.

SEVEN

A Series on the Seven Churches of Revelation

PROVERBS

EASTER WEEKEND

HOW TO BLESS YOUR NEIGHBOR

REVELATION

Christmas Eve We had such a good evening celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ! After songs and speaking we finished the evening by all lighting candles as a symbol of Jesus being the light of the world. As a church we raised **\$19,500** for Child of Mine!



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