



## **DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUTHQUAKE 2009**

Middle school and high school youth, youth workers, and clergy of the Diocese of Springfield are encouraged to participate in “Road Trip for the Kingdom IV”

I’m really excited about this year’s YouthQuake. I’ve always thought it was a great event, but the one thing I didn’t like about it was the lack of a real Anglican identity. Several other youth leaders from around the country thought the same thing, and a group of us have been meeting with Rev. Alan Hansen, the President of Acts 29, and we have made a few changes. First and foremost, for the first time since we’ve been going, the main speaker is from an Anglican Church. Ken Moser is from Vancouver, and has been a youth leader in Australia and Canada for many years. The Master of Ceremonies, Dixon Kinser, is a graduate of the Youth Ministry program at Trinity Episcopal School of Ministry and Rock the World Youth Mission Alliance and is a Youth Minister at an Episcopal Church in Nashville, TN. Dixon came to YouthQuake two years ago and taught on meditative prayer on Saturday afternoon. While Unhindered is not coming back (I think they have reached a level of success that took them out of the price range for this event), the worship band coming from South Carolina is outstanding, and they are also Episcopalians. There’s going to be more choices for seminars during the Saturday afternoon breakout time, both for youth and adults. So, I think all of the good things about YouthQuake will still be there, but it will be better than ever! I pray that you will join us.

In Christ,

John Hellrung

Here's the plan:

- 9 P.M., THUR, 15 JAN: Gather at bus pick-up sites (sites to be determined based on registrations, tentatively Diocesan Center and St. George's, Belleville)
- 2 A.M., FRI, 16 JAN: Leave for Ridgecrest, NC
- 2 P.M., FRI, 16 JAN: Arrive Ridgecrest, NC
- 2-6:15 P.M., FRI, 16 JAN: Get settled, explore conference center
- 6:30 P.M., FRI, 16 JAN: Gather as a group for pizza and singing
- 7:30 P.M. Conference begins!
- 12:00 (Noon), SUN, 18 JAN: Leave Ridgecrest, NC
- 10 P.M., SUN, 18 JAN: Arrive at pickup sites

Cost: To be determined after the Golf Tournament. We'll compute the final cost after we see how much we raise in the YouthQuake Fundraiser Golf Tournament on 4 October. We are hoping to be able to do the trip for under \$200. Get your churches to get golfers to the tournament, or sponsor a hole and drive that cost down! Registration forms will be available when we determine costs, approx. 10 Oct.

### **Three chances to win an iPod!**

For every friend you bring to/register for YouthQuake who is not currently a member of your church or youth group, you will earn one point and one raffle ticket. The student who has the most points will win a brand NEW Video Ipod Nano. Then, the raffle tickets will be placed in a drawing for a second NEW Video Ipod Nano. Prizes will be given out at YouthQuake.

### **Guidelines**

Make sure your friend enters your name in the "Referred by" section of the registration form (or better yet, put your name on the form before you give it to them). Your priest or youth minister will need to sign the form to confirm the person is not a member of your church or youth group. A tally will be kept during registration. The student's friends have to be in middle school, high school or home schooled and in the given age brackets. In the event of a tie, both students will receive an Ipod.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> iPod is just for the Diocese of Springfield. If you have been to YQ before, and you bring someone who hasn't been, you will be entered into a raffle for another iPod. Make sure your friend puts your name on their registration form on the "Referred By" line.

Plan now to attend and bring your friends!