PEOPLE OF HOPE

A COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES ON MISSION





ACCEPT WHERE I HAVE YOU

My people, accept the way that I made you. Accept where I have you. Accept your crosses and your limitations; accept where you are at this moment.

But you say back to me, 'I can't be effective with this cross. I want to do more. I want to fight for your name. I love you Lord. I want to do more for you'.

And my word to you is accept where I have you. Accept who I made you to be. And in this acceptance, my peace will come over you. And through the peace that is in your heart, I can be effective, and I can do my will through you. So, as you accept where you are and who you are, my plan and my will can be done, and great things can be done through you.

I CAN USE YOUR WEAKNESS FOR MY GLORY

Do you believe what you just heard? I know your weakness... where you fall again and again. But I'm your loving Father. I'm merciful and forgive you again and again. Trust in my love for you, trust in my goodness and trust that I can use your weakness for my greater glory.

GET DOWN ON YOUR KNEES AND CRY OUT FOR MY HOLY SPIRIT

Oh, my sons and my daughters, I see the many sacrifices of love that each of you make day in and day out. I also see the frustration, the disappointment, discouragement, the exhaustion that you feel in loving. I know how you are tempted to run away and hide saying, 'I can't answer another phone call or respond to one more text. I can't listen to one more child making a demand from me or my boss putting one more thing on my desk to do, and I want to just run away and hide'. And I say to you, don't resist that temptation to go away. Go away to that place, but not to hide, but to get down on your knees and to cry out in prayer for a greater outpouring of my love and my Holy Spirit. For when your human love is exhausted and you can't go on anymore and you feel that you've given all that you have, that's when my love begins to take over. So, go to that place. Retreat by yourself and cry out in prayer for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit and a greater outpouring of my love so that you can go and be more than a conqueror. You can go and be a lover in the name and power of your Lord Jesus Christ.

"FOR GOD GAVE US A SPIRIT NOT OF FEAR BUT OF POWER AND LOVE AND SELF-CONTROL."



COMPASS WOMEN'S MORNING

Stephanie Castellanos

The structure of the morning was very simple yet impactful. Although I could not make it to the morning Mass and I had to leave early, I believe the simplicity of the morning allowed for deep spiritual experience. I was not sure what to expect of the morning but I made the effort to go because of the focus topic. Anxiety is something I struggle with and I wanted to hear the spiritual perspective of it. I definitely think that was fulfilled. Listening to two people talk about their own experience was helpful in a practical way.

I do wish we had a clinical perspective on it, but all in all it was a great session. A couple practical points I walked away with was to read the book recommended - *The Way of Trust & Love* - and to download the app recommended - MoodKit.

For me the biggest take away lesson is that whatever gives me anxiety can be an opportunity for God to teach me something. Very grateful for all the effort that was put into this session!



LUKE 12:49

"I HAVE COME TO SET THE WORLD ON FIRE, AND HOW I WISH IT WERE ALREADY BLAZING!"

YOUNG DISCIPLES REFLECT

CATE NIEMEYER

Ignite this year has done many events from large groups, small groups, retreats and celebrations. The event that stood out to me the most was the YES retreat. This retreat changed my life and made me realize that there are so many teens from all around the country who are following God as closely as I am. I've always enjoyed retreats because it's 48 hours of placing everything else to the side and listening to God, and ultimately will open the doors to hear the word of God.

Participating in Ignite has affected me in a really positive way. This year I joined small groups and that allowed me to really connect with the girls in my class. We got the opportunity to share struggles and strengths, and provide help in situations. I've personally grown and changed because small groups allowed me to open up and there wouldn't be judgement, because God doesn't judge.

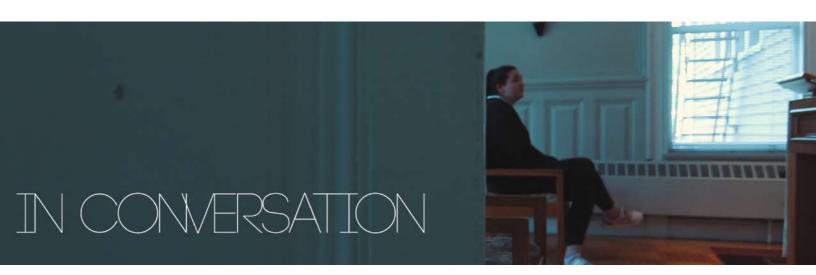
JAMES HESSEMER

Ignite this past year has helped me get ready for the upcoming college years and prepare myself for a world set apart from KA. Through ignite I've been able to form stronger relationships with my best friends. Relationships where we look out for each other and hold each other accountable. Although Ignite is over, it helped me form lifelong relationships with friends who will make sure I continue to grow in my faith and make sure I don't forget anything we were taught. A theme that stood out to me this Ignite [year] was the theme "Being Called to Call". As a graduate going into College it's important to figure out what you're being called to do for the Lord. I feel a good way to figure out what you're being called to do is to examine yourself. One can look at the talents God gave them and see how they can benefit others. In this theme I feel I have a talent for being able to make people laugh and smile so I feel that I'm being called to spread Joy to others in some ways.

Participating in Ignite has had a huge impact in my faith. Each witness, talk, and small group has helped me grow in different areas of my life over the years. I feel Ignite has helped me form a strong conscience so that as I go off into the real world I'm able to easily decipher good from evil. Ignite has helped me realize how important friendships are and that if you put work into a relationship in can become lifelong. In Ignite, specifically small groups, I've learned that when you are vulnerable and open up the friendships can become even stronger. I'm very thankful for all Ignite has done for me, gifting me with amazing people that I will have to help me throughout all of my life.



"BEING ON ADVENTURE WITH THE LORD THROUGH THIS SERVICE HAS BEEN LIFE-GIVING."



OUR FIRST FILM: A DIGITAL WITNESS

Laura Allen

After serving a partial mission year with The People of Hope, running retreats and serving in youth ministry, helping with office administration, newsletters, and whatever else needed to be done, Maeve reflects on her time of service and on God's faithfulness to all who trust in Him.

To watch or share the video check out our People of Hope Vimeo page at https://vimeo.com/337555336 Links will also be available on our People of Hope Facebook and Instagram accounts. If you aren't already participating in our social media, you're warmly encouraged to be part of this "digital evangelization," as we seek to find news ways to be witnesses to Christ and to share his Good News with others!

Please continue to pray for our efforts.

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FRANK GUIDO THANK YOU

After many years of dedicated service, Frank Guido has retired as coordinator. We will have an opportunity to honor and thank our brother at the following prayer meeting on June 23rd.

HOUSE FOR SALE

5 BEDROOM, 3 BATHS, IN WARREN. BEAUTIFUL BACKYARD WITH AN IN GROUND POOL. Please contact Don Campbell at 908.256.1788

AVAILABLE

FULL SET OF PFALTZGRAPH DISHES - STONEWARE WITH A BLUE DESIGN If interested, please contact Nancy Appert at nh.appert@gmail.com



PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK

Please continue to pray for all the sick, especially for Clara Bickel, Jack Bickel, Maria Bickel, Chuck & Jane Calarco, Genna Camiolo, John Camiolo, Peg Camiolo, Fr. Jim Carroll, Jonathan Caruso, Steve Clark, Lou Cirrotti, Mike Dalessio, Joe Fierro, Margaret Fierro, Eric Garcia, Paul Giegerich, Jr., Laura Greey, Mark Helfrich, Gloria Hoffman, Wendy Hoffman, Joseph McMullen, Rose Molnar, Danielle Neri.

Walt and Joanne Quense, Lizzie Quense, Lee Scarfone, Jack Spear, Lisa Yacone, Chris Birk from the Word of Life in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Peter Smith from Triumph of the Cross in Maryland.

Let's also pray for all those serving in the military, especially our loved ones

UPCOMING EVENTS

WOMEN'S SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, June 19th 7:30pm- 9pm (more details to follow)

MEN'S REC NIGHT

Tuesday, June 25th
7:00pm- 9pm
(more details to follow)

KA CORNER

Summer has begun! Keep our students, teachers, and recent graduates in your prayers.

IGNITE VOUTH MINISTRY

Officially wrapped for the year but stay tuned for some fun summer activities TBD!

CAMP HOPE

August 4-10

Please keep preparations in your brayers!

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COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING

Sunday, June 23rd 11:30am - 1:00pm Koinonia Academy