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1031 Youth Ministry Newsletter

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This morning as Ella who is 3 was eating her Fruit Loops, I began telling her that the people who make that cereal weren't going to make it anymore. She didn't buy it. I then asked her if she knew the people who made that cereal. I told her that I knew the cereal makers and had talked to them. She responded that her mommy, her sisters, or myself were always the ones who made her cereal. She wasn't wrong, in a sense. All that she knew about making cereal was that someone had to pour it in a bowl and add milk. As I thought about that conversation later, I realized how much my 3 yr. old's focus is solely on her immediate surroundings. She wasn't concerned about how the cereal made its way into the box, the box to the store, and from the store to our pantry. She was just focused on how it got from our pantry to her bowl because it most directly affects her in that way. Now, as she grows, she will begin to grasp bigger concepts. For now, she is focused on what most directly affects her. It really got me thinking about how we approach our students. In the world we live in, focus is often on what is to come. We are trying to help our students grow in their knowledge and wisdom so that they can be successful when they become adults. We put great effort in helping our students become better athletes, musicians, artists, etc. so that they may become as good as they can in those areas. We strive to teach them about responsibility, hard work, selflessness, and many other things that will make them successful spouses, parents, employees, etc. While these things definitely should be a big part of teaching and guiding our teenagers, sometimes, we must zoom in from the big picture and focus on where they are and what they need now. I've heard many parents of adults make statements about how they must have done something right based on what kind of adults their children grew up to be. While I don't completely disagree with that sentiment, I think it is important that we understand who our students are now is important, too. We must seek to help them be the best they can be now, not just become the best they can be in the future.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



DATES:

JUNE 28-JULY 2

LOCATION:

LINDEN VALLEY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

WORSHIP

RESUMES IN PERSON

Weekly Schedule

Sunday School:

Sun. @ 9:30am

Wed Night Worship:

Wed. @ 6pm