

SPRING 2016 REPORT



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EveryDay Videos for Teens - DVD & Bible Studies - AVAILABLE at NPH! This product consists of 94 video vignettes with a corresponding Bible study for each one. The Everyday videos get teens talking about issues that face them on a regular basis and are ideal for individual viewing or group study. DVD Format - \$29.99 for the whole set. A sample of one of the Bible studies can be found on the NPH website.

WELS International Youth Rally 2016 Theme: Our God Reigns. Colorado State University at Fort Collins, June 28—July 1, 2016. Cost \$355 USD before May 1. \$380 USD afterwards. Registration ends May 31. Piggybacking with other congregations is allowed for this rally. Nicole Westra has a group from Rochester, NY that is in need of chaperones. Contact her if you might know of any candidates who would be interested. Nicole is also available to help coordinate other groups that might need similar help. To stay up on any new information you can "LIKE" the rally Facebook page: **WELS International Youth Rally**.

Camp Chi Rho 2016 - Registration has commenced. Promotional materials will be delivered at both spring pastor conferences. Distribute them as you see fit in your congregations. If you need any more flyers or posters, please let me know. Camp will again be at Elk Neck State Park in North East, Maryland. Dates are July 25-29, 2016. The price will remain the same as last year: \$140 USD on or before June 1; \$175 USD thereafter. Registration can be done at www.welsyouth.net.

Synod School Tour - Pastor Karl Schauland took two students from our district (Julia Cemprola and Nate Guldberg) to experience life and classes at MLC, WLS, and WLC from February 4-8, 2016. A big thank you to Karl for leading this very important excursion. We may have funds available to do a second trip this coming fall. If you have any interested students (Sophomore—Seniors), please contact myself or Nicole Westra to coordinate. Cost for the trip (in total) would be \$100 USD per student.

New! School of Youth and Family Ministry coming soon! This awesome and relevant addition has been approved by the Conference of Presidents with funding. Final stages of development occurred over the months of April and May of 2015. Preliminary rollout and Beta test offerings are happening in two districts (one Midwestern and one outlying). Watch for more detailed information in the near future.

WELS Marriage Enrichment Weekend - Registration is up and running for the Mysterious Marriage Enrichment Weekend at the Ambassador Hotel, Kingston, Ontario. The dates are October 21-23, 2016. The investment for your marriage is \$310 USD (approximately \$400 CDN) per couple. For more information or to register, go to: <http://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/adult-discipleship/marriage-enrichment/>

It would be a tremendous blessing if we could fill this event with 25 couples, the max for the venue. Attached alongside this document are several promotional materials you can use at your church. Contact myself for any other details.

In Christ,
Kevin Walker, NAD - CYFM Coordinator