

Young Adults Report 2009

This year for Young Adults has proved to be one of many new endeavours and growth. Sunday night services are going strong with approx average attendance between 50 – 60 people. Worship remains an important, vibrant and powerful part of the service and increasingly so as recent revelation of the importance of praise has stirred the young adults to more passionate times of encountering God. As well as this, Sunday Night services have seen the rebirth of the Sunday Night Cafe, including the introduction of hang time after the service with lounge areas featuring couches and beanbags, and fun and games such as Guitar Hero and table tennis. This has proved quite successful and popular, and has made for an effective opportunity to meet and fellowship with new comers and visitors, incorporating them as part of the family.

To instigate all of the new Young Adults endeavours, a leaders team has been formed of passionate and hard working members, and those involved meet occasionally to discuss the forward movement of Young Adults. Also, those on the team are highly involved in making all Young Adults related activities happen and providing spiritual and practical leadership of the congregation.

In addition to this, this year has also seen the establishment of our Outreach projects, initially targeting the university but soon to be moving into other areas of the community. The outreach was kicked off with a Sun City Christian Church Young Adults stall at Oweek, promoting Sunday Night services and providing free transport with the allure of free popcorn at the stall. This is soon to be followed by a Wed night program visiting the University College Campuses providing hot chocolate, muffins and much more, opening the door to build relationships and ultimately disciple people to salvation.

Working in cooperation with Uni outreach is the new Tues night dinners, run by Jon and Brooke Miegel. These dinners are seeing many non Christians coming and fellowshipping with Christians from the local church, building relationship and making for a perfect opportunity to witness. As well as this life group, there are 8 other Young Adults life groups running, seeing amazing growth, not only in numbers, but in the spiritual life of their members.

Young Adults has also recently held the Hot August Nights beginning with our Worship Night which saw many people impacted and encountering God powerfully. This was followed the next week by guest preacher, international evangelist Ps. Matt Starrs who challenged and inspired all. The following weekend saw the REACH Conference with Ps Ben Naitoko. All who attended were blessed and moved to not only advance themselves, but to reach out to the people around them and the community and make a difference for Jesus. Hot August Nights then culminated in a visit from Guest band “The Smart” which was an awesome opportunity to invite someone along for a night of fun and a chance to meet with God.

We are expectant and looking forward to seeing great growth in the Young Adults through the outreach projects, Sunday services and special events to see increased salvations and continued effective discipleship and nurturing.....and we can't wait to move into many of these new exciting endeavours God has put before us in the coming year.