

# Youth Ministry of Emmanuel Baptist Church – Winter/Spring 2026



- *Helping students know Jesus and experience His church -*  
**(For students in grades six through twelve)**



**Bible Study** and **Small Groups** on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 PM! – All students in grades 6-12 are invited to join Pastor Van and our other amazing volunteers for games, Bible teaching, and small group discussions. For the next few months, in conjunction with the Sunday sermon series, we will be studying through the book of Luke.

Join us on Wednesday nights for accountability, encouragement, and learning. This is a great opportunity for you to invite an unchurched friend. [It all begins again on Wednesday, January 14.](#)

## Special Events on Sunday Nights (and a great opportunity to bring a friend)

You don't want to miss the exciting things planned on the following Sunday evenings from 6-8 PM. Dinner will be provided.

**January 25 – The 2026 Winter Olympic Games** – Come participate in multiple individual and team events designed to challenge even the most skillful participants. Go for gold! *Bible passage: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27*

**March 22 – Anti-volleyball Singles Tournament** – Students and single folks in our church will gather together for an epic anti-volleyball experience. There will be winners, losers, and some will be left scratching their heads in disbelief. *Bible passage: I Cor 15:50-58*

**April 26 – Noodle Night** – Did you know that pool noodles were invented in the 1980s in Canada? It will be a wacky night with oodles and oodles of pool noodles. And of course we'll serve up some spaghetti. *Bible passage: 1 John 4:7-12*

## Here are some more opportunities for you to grow and serve.

- **Encouragement Team** meets on the first Saturday of the month from 9 -11 AM. Give up part of your weekend to bless those in our church family who are elderly, shut-ins, or in the hospital; and our recent grads who have moved away. This is a great ministry of writing notes, making cards, visits, and prayer. Your whole family is welcome.

**February 7**

**March 7**

**April 4**

**May 2**

- **Leader Lunch** is for those who are interested in learning more about student ministry and growing in your ability to minister to students. Leader training provides an opportunity for prayer and accountability as we endeavor to effectively disciple every student. *Students who are juniors or seniors, please contact Pastor Van if you are interested in being an EBC student leader. Leader Lunch* is hosted at Pastor Van's house (301 S. Valley Rd) from noon to 2 PM.

**January 18**

**February 15**

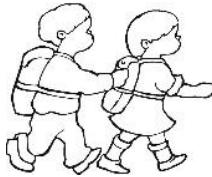
**March 15**

**April 19**

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**Save the Date – Winter Camp at Scioto Hills - February 20-22**

## ~ FANTASTIC ONE-TIME, ONE-OF-A-KIND EVENTS ~



**\*We're going on a Walk! – Monday, January 19** from 10 AM to 1 PM. Meet at Spring Lakes Park in Bellbrook (2191 Ferry Rd) Bring a friend and dress for the weather. You don't want to miss this fantastic wilderness adventure!

**\*Winter Camp at Scioto Hills – February 20-22. Please save the date.** Registration should open soon. Bring a friend and we hope to see you at Winter Camp! Be on the lookout for more details.



**Friday Night Game Night – March 13 (7-9 PM).** Bring a friend and join us for an exciting night of board games and snacks. Location TBA. For high school students only.

**Parent Talk** with Pastor Van – **Sunday, May 17.** Parents, grandparents, teachers, and anyone working with children are invited to a seminar that will give you advice and encouragement to be great, God-honoring parents. Time TBA.



**\*Memorial Day Reflections and Youngs Jersey Dairy – Sunday, May 24 from 5-8 PM.** On this special holiday weekend, we will visit a cemetery to reflect on the significance of Memorial Day followed by a great evening of fun at *Youngs Jersey Dairy* with our amazing youth leaders. We welcome students who are entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade to join us. YEAH!

### Youth Highlights at a Glance

Wed, Jan 14 – Youth Group

Sun, Jan 18 – Leader Lunch

\*Mon, Jan 19 – Going on a Walk

Sun, Jan 25 – Olympic Games

Sat, Feb 7 – Encouragement Team

Sun, Feb 15 – Leader Lunch

\*Feb 20-22 – Winter Camp at Scioto Hills

Sat, Mar 7 – Encouragement Team

Fri, Mar 13 – Game Night

Sun, Mar 15 – Leader Lunch

Sun, Mar 22 – Anti-volleyball Tournament

Sat, Apr 4 – Encouragement Team

Sun, Apr 5 – Easter Celebration!

Sun, Apr 19 – Leader Lunch

Sun, Apr 26 – Noodle Night

Sat, May 2 – Encouragement Team

Sun, May 17 – Parent Talk seminar

\*Sun, May 24 – *Youngs Jersey Dairy*

**\*A 2026 Medical Consent Form & Liability Waver** is required for these activities; forms are available at [ebcxenia.org](http://ebcxenia.org) or from Pastor Van.

**Invite your friends to any of these quality youth ministry events.**

*Please contact Pastor Van or another leader if you have questions or need help with transportation.*

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