



# Flight Report

BUILDING UP YOUTH IN CHRIST

## TRUST FALL

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#### DATES OF INTEREST:

- **July 16 - Journey #64**  
All Team Joint Girls/Boys Meeting Opportunity Pres., Spok. Valley
- **July 28-31 - Girls #64,**  
Opportunity Pres., Spok. Valley
- **Aug. 11-14 - Boys #64,**  
Opportunity Pres., Spok. Valley
- **Sept. 17 - Board Meeting**  
All are welcome to attend the Board Meetings:  
9:00 AM,  
Trinity UMC, 107 W. 2nd Ave. Ritzville, WA  
(Brown Bag Lunch!)

When I was going through a leadership training class to become a RA (resident hall advisor) we did a team building exercise called a trust fall. You would climb a ladder up to a platform that was five or six feet tall, then you would put your arms across your chest, close your eyes and fall backwards off the platform into the waiting arms of your classmates. Jesus used a similar exercise with his disciples—namely Peter—when he commanded Peter to step out of the boat and walk across the water.

*And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I. Do not be afraid."*

*And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. (Matthew 14:25-29)*

Those are both great illustrations for how we need to live our lives. We need to trust the Lord, keep our eyes focused on Jesus and

TRUST Him. The problem arises when we think we can do things on our own. During one of the trust falls that our class did someone got scared and at the last second reached out with their arms grasping at the air, and in the process hitting the people that were trying to catch her in the face. She also tried to sit up and put her feet down (all of this while falling) in an attempt to catch herself. This ended poorly for her and with a trip to Grand Ronde Hospital, a cast on her wrist, and a brace on her ankle. Peter had a similar experience:

*But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14:30-31 ESV)*

Peter was doing just fine until he looked away from Jesus and focused on the problems around him. When he lost his focus he started to sink. The same thing happened to my classmate, when she forgot that there were two dozen people waiting to catch her and she thought that she needed to do it on her own is when she fell. I've been in both of

their shoes before. While I didn't have a problem with that specific trust exercise I have on more than one occasion lost my focus and tried to do things all on my own—often times with disastrous results.

I had made plans to work the upcoming boy's Journey and I had a very specific position that I wanted to fill. I put this on my application, turned it in and then a couple of days later the director called me and asked me to fill a very different role. I'm thankful that I did receive a phone call because I was asked to do a job that is definitely out of my comfort zone, one that I will definitely require me to put my trust in God to accomplish. Remember to daily evaluate where you have put your trust and what you are focusing on. Are you looking at the waves and wind like Peter? Are you thinking about the fall like my classmate was? Or are you focusing on Jesus and trusting him and those around you? I'll leave you with this verse:

*I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, **for apart from me you can do nothing.** (John 15:5 ESV; emphasis added)*

#### FLIGHT REPORT BY E-MAIL!

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# Welcome New Butterflies!

Welcome to the Journey With Christ Community. Be sure to work an upcoming weekend and sponsor a friend.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)

## “Sweetly Broken,

Young Adult Journey #17

## Wholly Surrendered”

June 23-26, 2011

*So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.*

*Ephesians 3:17-18*

Ruth Beeler

James Brockett

Alyson Cheney

Chelsea Dickson

Jacob Harold

Dain Henderson

Timothy Hofer

Kiri Horton

John Jardine

Cassandra Leibold

Susanna Merkulov

Jessica Ramsey

Andy Silva

Nicole Werner

### Trailer News

The JWC Board, under the guidance of the Trailer Guardians and concerned community members, have been actively pursuing the purchase of a new supply trailer. The current trailer was several years old when JWC acquired it many years ago, and despite regular maintenance and up-keep, the trailer simply is at the end of its usable life. JWC needs to purchase a safer, more reliable trailer. With an estimated cost of about \$5000-\$6000, this is major investment for our community. If you wish to make a contribution towards this purchase, please send a check marked “Replacement Trailer” to the treasurer, Ken Anderson, 608 Linda Ct., Richland, WA 99352. Or, if you know of someone who may have a gently used trailer that may suit our needs, please contact the trailer guardian, Phill Cole, at (509) 948-8846.

# Can You Help?

### YOUTH DIRECTOR’S PERSPECTIVE

Being the youth director on the Young Adult Journey with Christ #17 was an amazing experience. It helped to teach me what true servanthood really is. Since I was more of a planner and observer I was able to have a 'outside' perspective on how Christ was working in the Cats lives that weekend. I watched some come alive during worship, others who wouldn't interact the first day open themselves up to God and there were a couple Cats who accepted Christ for the first time. Overall, it was one of the most memorable weekends of my life and I think that the Cats would say the same. Please keep them in your prayers!

-Erica Burmood

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## Remember...

Show your love to the Caterpillars by joining us at the **Candlelight Service on Saturday night at 7:30 PM** and **Closing on Sunday at 3:00 PM.**

# Journey With Christ #64

## Opportunity Presbyterian Church

202 North Pines Road, Spokane Valley, WA

Joint Boys/Girls All-Team Meeting: Saturday, July 16, 9:30 AM

Girls' Weekend - July 28-31, 2011

Boys' Weekend - August 11-14, 2011

**“Healing Waters,  
Spring of Life”**

**“I Am New”**

The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.  
Isaiah 58:11

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has gone, the new has come!  
2 Corinthians 5:17

Girls' Journey		Boys' Journey
Jesus Christ	<b>Director</b>	Jesus Christ
Alisa Cook	<b>Lay Director</b>	Jim Sportelli
Leanne Bafus	<b>Co Director</b>	PhiLL Cole
Ari Harrison-Dyer	<b>Youth Director</b>	Jordan Jameson
Dusty Hampton	<b>Spiritual Team</b>	Dave McCue, Francis Adewale, Adam Hrebeniuk
Cathy Potts, Courtney Potts, Lindsey Potts, Alissa Watkins, Aleana Saldana	<b>Chas</b>	Greg Fancher, Bob Novy, Dave Van Dyke, Sr.,
Donna Stoess,	<b>Song Team</b>	Joe Potts, Ron Slood
Debbie James, Sarita Hopkins, Lynn Self, Leah Heideman	<b>Table Parents</b>	Chris Peale, David Nielsen, Randy Mudd, Shane Herideman
Sam Bafus, Alanna Watkins, Ellie Page, Jessi Thompson,	<b>Youth Table Leaders</b>	Frank Chilbert, Chris Wargo, Corbin Harder, Jake Nielsen, Andrew Doulass
Nancy Johnson	<b>B/G Spiritual</b>	
Lloyd Stoess	<b>B/G Coordinator</b>	Cathy Potts, Courtney Potts
Patty Carrier, Jake Nielsen	<b>B/G Song Team</b>	Tony Nichols, Dave Van Dyke, Jr.
Becky Kenton, Kerry Kenton, Kara Lanthorn, Jeremy Lanthorn	<b>Kitchen</b>	Jeremy Lanthorn, Daniel Schroeder, Mark Benecke
Ginny Nielsen, Jessica Nielsen, Jordan Jameson, David Nielson,	<b>Agape Team</b>	Jenny Page, Ellie Page, Nan Benecke, Elizabeth Goodwin, Jackie Cole, Jessica Nielsen, Ginny Nielsen, Kara Lanthorn, Lindsey Potts,
Karen McCue	<b>Sacristan</b>	Kathy Van Dyke
	<b>Recorder</b>	Eleanor Schroeder
Mike Larche, Jake Schumacher	<b>Trailer Angel</b>	Mike Larche
Cathy Potts	<b>Advocate</b>	Jon Page
	<b>Love Team</b>	
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