



EFOCUS

Youth Urban Mission



14 youth from Mission del Sol, Gilbert Presbyterian and University Presbyterian Churches participated in the Urban Mission trip that was held June 4th through June 7th. The youth participated in many mission activities during the week along with building relationships. The theme for the Mission Trip was Matthew 5:14 "You're here to be light, to bring out the God-colors in the world! God is not a secret to be kept. We're Going Public With This!"

We started and ended our day with devotions and discussion about where we saw God throughout our day. Our first day we went and helped at the Exotic Bird Rescue, UMOM New Day Centers and ended our day at Feed My Starving Children.

On Tuesday we drove to Payson and helped with an organization called Payson Community Kids. We purchased two benches with the help of the Deacons and played water games with the youth in the afternoon. We ended the day by playing messy games, one of the highlights of the week for the youth.

On Wednesday we went to St. Mary's Food Bank and in the afternoon we played water games and made friendship bracelets with the children at Family Promise. In the evening we prepared 30 blessing bags and prepared bags of beans and rice for the Guadalupe Food Bank. We ended our week by going to Big Surf and playing in the water. It was a very fun and rewarding week for the youth and adults that participated.

The Big Event Coming Soon!



Registration is now open!
Twenty-six FANTASTIC workshops from which to choose!
Space is limited, so don't delay

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August 25

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Tucson

IGNITE THE SPARK REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

August 24

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Tucson

Led by the Rev. Dr. Kathryn Threadgill from the Office of Congregational Vitality in Louisville, the August Ignite the Spark! will serve both as an introduction to the Thrive Project, (for those who still have questions), as well as an opportunity to engage the Thrive conversations and discern next steps for your congregation, (for those whose church has already enrolled).

- What will the Seven Vital Signs of Healthy Ministry look like in, for, and through your church?
 - What are ways your church can discern new opportunities and learn to engage new challenges?
 - What are strategies for breaking through resistance to get people on-board for what God is doing?
- This Ignite the Spark! will emphasize Bible study, group conversation, and prayer as we talk about what it takes to lead churches that are “inwardly strong, outwardly focused” for the sake of the Gospel. **You do not have to be enrolled in the Thrive Project to learn, grow, or receive blessing from this workshop – come as you are!**

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GRANT APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED!

Congregational Resourcing is pleased to announce the Mission Priority Grant period has started. Applications are due by **7/15/18**. Applications are on the Presbytery website under Congregational Resourcing.

[click here to download](#)

Under menu, look for Congregational Resourcing, the grant application & rubric can be downloaded from there.

Please complete entire application and include a separate budget report, if applicable for review. As well as reviewing the attached rubric. You may submit via email to: pbyoffice@gmail.com - Titled: CRT Grants

Or mail to:

Presbytery of the Grand Canyon- CRT Grants
4141 E Thomas Rd Phoenix, AZ 85018
by 7/10 to insure it's delivery by 7/15

Applications will be reviewed at the beginning of August. Decision letters will be mailed out after review meeting.



[COOK Native American Foundation](#) [Job Opportunity](#)



Please keep these people in your prayers:

Various Vacation Bible Schools throughout the Presbytery and the children and adults involved!



Peace and Justice News- July

Our focus in July is Immigration

[A Hymn- When Jesus Went to Egypt](#)
[A Prayer for Children Crossing our Borders](#)

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Upcoming Events

JULY

Christian Native Network- July 14 at 10 a.m. (MST), Indian Wells Presbyterian Church
Ghost Ranch [“Nurturing Faithful Youth in Your Congregation”](#), July 16th – 19th.

AUGUST

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