

GEORGIA YOUTH FELLOWSHIP



an Independent Baptist Youth Fellowship

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Dear Pastor and Youth Pastor,

My name is Jared Butler. I serve as the youth pastor at Old Suwanee Baptist Church in Buford, Georgia. The Lord has also given me the privilege to serve as the President of the Georgia Youth Fellowship. Thank you for allowing me to take a few moments of your time in order to share with you my heart's desire to reach young people for the Lord Jesus Christ.

What Is The GYF?

The Georgia Youth Fellowship is comprised of like-minded, independent Baptist churches from all over the state of Georgia. The GYF is dedicated to "Taking the Old Paths to a New Generation." We believe in old-fashioned worship and are determined to not let it fall by the wayside in this modern world in which we live.

When Did It Begin?

The first Georgia Youth Fellowship rally was held on April 27, 1984, with an attendance of 289. Since then, dozens of churches throughout the state have hosted rallies. Over 175 churches have attended the GYF at some point, and we want you to also be a part of this great ministry. The GYF is now in its thirty-second year of hosting rallies.

What Is A Rally?

Various churches host annual rallies in March, June, and September. These rallies consist of the following:

- Powerful preaching from the authorized King James Version of the Bible
- Conservative, Christ-honoring music
- Rally quick games
- Longhorn special – drawing for youth pastors in attendance
- Ten teen handshake – a chance for teens to win candy/prizes
- Outstanding teen award – one teen from each group is selected for their Christ-like character

How Can I Become A Part Of This Ministry?

We send out monthly emails regarding upcoming rallies. If you would like to be added to this list, please email our secretary at kbutler@oldsuwanee.org.

You may be wondering how you can support us. First, you can support us by attending the rallies. It is good for teens to come together to worship experience a touch of God on their lives. You can also support us financially. Every dime given goes toward the rally expenses. You can also support us by hosting one of these rallies at your church campus. I would like for everyone that is involved in the GYF to have the opportunity to host a rally at least once. Finally, you can support us by praying for the Georgia Youth Fellowship. I believe there is power in prayer!

Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to read this. I look forward to meeting you in the days ahead! For more information about the GYF please contact me. You can reach me at jbutler@oldsuwanee.org or 404-784-8850.

In His Service,
Jared Butler
GYF President

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Recommendations

Dr. Scott Caudill

President & General Director of Macedonia World Baptist Missions

"It is my joy to recommend the Georgia Youth Fellowship. In the day and hour in which we are living, it is very refreshing to know there is still a group of independent Baptists that are striving to take the old paths to a new generation."

Bro. Doyle Jackson

Assistant Pastor of Old Suwanee Baptist Church in Buford, GA

"I was introduced to the GYF in 1988 as a youth worker. We have made the GYF an important part of the youth ministry at our church ever since that time. Each rally has been instrumental to the spiritual growth of our teenagers. The God-honoring music and spirit-filled preaching is exactly what our young people need to hear...I strongly recommend adding the GYF rallies to your youth ministry calendar. This is certainly a worthwhile investment in the lives of the next generation."

Bro. Aaron Harris

Youth Pastor of Peachtree Road Baptist Church in Lawrenceville, GA

"Finding great youth meetings where we can take the teenagers from our church always presents some challenges. With the limited number of open spaces in our calendar, we try to fill those with meetings that we know will make a profound difference in the lives of our teens. The GYF meetings are events that we always make sure to schedule. These meetings are bathed in prayer, and from the moment you walk in the doors you can sense the anticipation for the moving of God. The powerful preaching and spirit-filled singing that takes place at these services has had lasting impact in many of our teens as well as others. I strongly recommend and encourage any pastor or youth pastor that can bring a group to these meetings to do so. You will not regret the time invested in your young people at the GYF."

Bro. Michael Stewart

Pastor of Open Door Baptist Church in Senoia, GA

"I remember the first Georgia Youth Fellowship meeting I attended very well because it was the first time I ever went to an event as a youth pastor!...I remember going in and immediately being encouraged. I had been to youth meetings before but none of them were like the GYF. The music was spot on, the atmosphere was one where the Spirit could work, and the preaching was top notch. From that moment on, we attended every G YF meeting and our kids loved it."

There were many benefits I found in attending GYF. Our young people were always challenged. It does something to a teen's heart to see other teens willing to wait on God's best! Many teens were encouraged to follow God in Bible study and prayer. Also, we saw teens get saved as a direct result of the GYF's influence....

It is clear in my mind that God has put His hand on the GYF. I know the leadership personally and know them all to be men of integrity who to desire to see God do a mighty work in our young people..."

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