

Make An Investment in Emmanuel Senior High Youth: Be a Stakeholder!

Senior High Youth Group is a vibrant part of our parish life with over 30 Emmanuel youth actively participating in our programs. Our stated goal “is to encourage EVERYDAY *faith* in God, *service* to the community and *fellowship* with each other in our Anglican tradition.” We sponsor more than 50 events annually, providing our youth a safe, nurturing place to grow and develop as young adults and Christians.

The program year culminates with our annual Mission Trip: a weeklong journey of faith, service and fellowship. We have a four year rotation – rural, urban, Native American & international – so our youth have an opportunity to help diverse groups of people. Last summer, through the God’s Child Project, we built homes for those in extreme poverty-stricken conditions in Guatemala. In June 2010 our group will offer assistance to the poor on a Native American reservation.

These annual missions help define Emmanuel’s Youth Group. They are life-changing experiences. In fact, four years ago several Emmanuel Youth Group members organized a mission trip for Webster Groves High School students to Mississippi for Hurricane Katrina clean-up instead of a spring break fun trip. And two summers ago, two Senior High Guatemala mission trip alums returned for six weeks to continue their work.

Our Senior High youth programming - our service, fellowship and faith events as well as our annual mission trips - only take place because of your support of Youth Group fundraisers and through your individual contributions. No funds are currently received from Emmanuel's General Account. And because our fundraising does not cover the full costs of our mission trips, we also charge each Youth Group member a participation fee in order to attend our mission trips and perform service.

We are so thankful for the past support of so many people, both inside and outside our parish. We are continuing a program we started last fall to better recognize your support: **Stakeholders in Senior High**. We are asking for a contribution of \$25 “per share” for an investment in our Senior High Youth Program. We will recognize your support by giving you a stakeholder certificate signed by the active Senior High Youth Group member of your choice. You will also receive a monthly stakeholder email report on the faith, service and fellowship activities of Senior High. Following our mission trip we will host an annual stakeholder’s meeting, during which Youth Group members will share pictures and stories in an informal setting. And we guarantee that no corporate take-over of our youth group will result!

Look for our table in the dining room on upcoming Sundays or use the form, below. Questions? Contact Gary Tappana, Clark Hotaling or Dan Herren.

Your contributions will be used to fund both general Youth Group activities and our 2010 mission trip. We thank you for your past, current and future support and prayers as our youth continue their journey to adulthood. Your support makes a difference in the lives of many.

I want to invest in Emmanuel’s Senior High Youth Program by being a Stakeholder in Senior High!

I would like to purchase _____ shares in Senior High with a donation of \$25 per share. Enclosed is my check payable to Emmanuel Episcopal Church with “Senior High Stakeholders Donation” in the memo line.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Have my certificate(s) signed by _____, an active Senior High Youth Group member!

If mailing, please mail to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 9 S. Bompert Ave., Webster Groves, MO 63119.