**ATTENTION AWESOME CHURCH LEADER!**

Convention is coming quick and do we have some news for you!!! Let me go over our schedule, then break out all we have planned, and wrap up with some special dates to keep in mind.

 **2023 LCGYF YOUTH CONVENTION SCHEDULE**

FRIDAY

7       Registration

8       Session 1

930  Breakouts

10     Late Nite @CCC (optional)

SATUDAY

930    Session2

1015  Break

1030   Session 3

12      Free Time

3-5     TBall Tourney @Pinedorosa Park

730    Session 4

930    Silent Disco

SUNDAY

1030   Doors Open

1045   Session 5

12        Dismissal

**Activities**

Let’s go through these in order. Late Nite @OCC… So Convention can be a great way to connect with everyone from your church, but can often times be so busy it’s difficult for students around the state to spend time together. We tried to build in a few times throughout the weekend of common down time to let these students hang out in person. On Friday night after our breakout time, we’ll keep the church open and let students hang out playing games, cards, or just talking together until 11pm. We will provide the space and churches can bring board games and card games to play.

**TBall Tourney @Pinedorosa Park**

We’ve done these a few times before, but it’s been several years and we’ve never done this during the day. We will play this Camp Pollock style with a small cone on top of an ice chest. Batters get one swing. If they miss, they are out. We’ll we have two t-ball fields and two slightly larger fields. Games will be 10 minutes long, whoever is winning when time is up will be the winner. Teams can have no more than 10 players with a maximum of 2 people out of high school and a minimum of 4 female players. You can get with other churches to make a team. We will have a prize for the most creatively named and dressed team along with the team that wins the tournament. There will be free bottles of water for everyone at the park.

**Silent Disco**

This is one of the most fun things our youth group has ever done. Every student gets a set of headphones with two channels. All you will do is put on the headphones, select which channel you want to listen to, then join the fun! You’ll be surprised how much fun students will have singing and just goofing around with their friends. All of our songs will be vetted and this will be another great time for friends from youth groups and friends from around the state to make some memories together.

**Sunday Service**

Christ Community Church will be having their regular Sunday morning service at 9am. Take your time getting ready and catch breakfast as doors will open at 10:30am to give their church time to exit.

**Important Dates**

**-November 1**
Reserved rooms will be released so make sure you have reservations by this WEDNESDAY!

**-November 5**Pre-registration deadline. We know that lists change all the way until a couple of hours before the event. Your pre-registration list will allow us to order Convention shirts. You will only have to pay the full registration for the people who attend. However, you will be charged $15 for every shirt you order without an attendee. If your list changes before November 5th, please let us know and we’ll change your list. If your church submits a pre-registration and later decides not to attend, please pay for the shirts and we will find a way to get them to you. We will order a few extras for students who decide to attend after the deadline, but these shirts will be given only until we run out.

**-November 13**
Room Cancelation deadline for Holiday Inn and Hampton Inn

**-November 17**2023 LYGYF Youth Convention begins at Christ Community Church in Lake Charles

**Hotel information:**

**Holiday Inn and Suites- no breakfast included; $119/night**
2940 Lake St. Lake Charles, LA 70601
(40) Two queen beds
(9) One King, One sleeper sofa

[Louisiana Church of God Youth Fellowship](https://www.holidayinn.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=HI&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=LCHTT&checkInDate=17&checkInMonthYear=102023&checkOutDate=19&checkOutMonthYear=102023&_PMID=99801505&GPC=CGY&cn=no&viewfullsite=true)

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Group Code:  **CGY**

**Hampton Inn & Suites- breakfast included $120/night**[3175 Holly Hill Road Lake Charles, LA 70601](https://www.google.com/maps/search/3175%2BHolly%2BHill%2BRoad%2BLake%2BCharles%2C%2BLA%2B70601?entry=gmail&source=g)
(20) Two queen beds
<https://group.hamptoninn.com/t9qggc>
The group code is **LCG** for the group.

Don’t forget that we are currently unable to receive any digital funds. Please bring cash or a check Friday night. Convention is $60 per person (leaders included). If you have someone back out after you ordered a shirt, you will only owe $15 for the shirt.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or text me at 337.249.4595 and I’ll get with you as soon as I can.

Have a great week!
Richard Rials