

As I write, we are experiencing the first heavy snowfall of the season in Rockford. When this is still happening come March or April, we may grumble. But right now, the snow refreshes me as I consider when David repents before God, “Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow” (Psalm 51:7).

We serve a God who washes our sins “whiter than snow.” Jesus has extended His love to us and rescued us from sin through His death and resurrection. Snow may get old after a few months, but the good news of Jesus washing us “whiter than snow” never fades. Romans 5:8 states, “but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

As we reflect on 2019 at YFC, I am grateful for an exciting year, but I am more grateful that our mission, anchored to the good news of Jesus, is unfading. The mission of YFC is connected to the greatest news of all. We humbly participate in His kingdom, reflecting the love of Christ to young people in need of Him. We celebrate this mission advancing in Rockford during 2019.

We now have 13 staff members (8 full-time) and 7 ministry sites through City Life, Campus Life, and Juvenile Justice Ministry. We steward this ministry

through your generosity, and we are asking that you consider a special year-end gift to Youth for Christ.



Our goal is to raise \$150,000 during the months of November and December to sustain and grow our outreach. Will you consider a significant donation to YFC?

Know your support builds the kingdom of God. It extends the wondrous news of Jesus into the hearts of more young people, pointing them to the only One who is able to wash their sins “whiter than snow.”

*Merry Christmas from our family to yours!
– Haddon Anderson*



QUOTES FROM OUR YOUTH



“If I wasn’t a part of Youth for Christ, my life would be a different story right now. I would be very far from God and not have as many amazing friends as I do today.”



“I can go talk to any of them [YFC leaders] about anything and I know that they will always be there for me.”



“When I came to Camp I really felt like God forgot about me, that I have disappointed him. And after going to Camp I realized He didn’t forget me. He actually pulled me right next to Him.”



“Is it weird that I’ve become generous now that I know God? In the past, I wouldn’t have even borrowed that money to anyone. Now I like to buy things for others.”

