

Sample article for youth agency newsletters

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Sample Article

(for youth agency use)

The following is a sample newsletter article to announce a God and Church class at youth agencies (Boy Scouts of America, Camp Fire USA, Girl Scouts of the USA, American Heritage Girls). Remember, youth from all Protestant and Independent churches can work on this program (even if they do not belong to a youth agency).

Text for announcements in youth agency newsletters, etc.:

All young people in grades six through eight who are members of a _____ (list a specific denomination or "Protestant or Independent") church are invited to join us on _____ (date) at _____ (time) to begin a God and Church program at _____ (name of meeting place). We will be meeting _____ (list dates or frequency - ie: every Monday for seven weeks). The God and Church program will lead young people on a journey. It will be a faith journey with three parts: meeting Jesus, worshiping God, and witnessing and ministering for Christ. Participants will create either a video or a photo album to share what they have learned on their faith journeys. Young people will have the opportunity to work with their pastor or other Christian adult as they study the church's structures and objectives and participate in service projects that will give them a better understanding of the mission of the church. We will celebrate the completion of the program with a class party on _____ (date - list this information only if you will be having a class party). The cost of this program is _____ (list price), which covers the price of the student workbook. This program is officially recognized by _____ (list agency - ie: Boy Scouts of America) as the religious awards program for youth in Protestant* and Independent churches. In addition to participating in the meetings and completing the projects, youth are required to share what they have learned with their pastor before they are eligible for the award which may be worn on their uniform. Call _____ (name) at _____ (phone) for more information or to register for the program.

*The term "Protestant" includes AME, Assembly of God, Baptist, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Church of God, Episcopal, Lutheran, Nazarene, Pentecostal, Presbyterian, Reformed, United Church of Christ, United Methodist, Independent Churches and others.