



## iConnect Preteen Ministry Winter 2017 Newsletter

Hello!

It's been a great first half of the school year here in iConnect—we've had some great events like Minute to Win It Games, Mystery Dinner and Super Mario Night plus lots of Sunday morning classes to choose from and much more!

Our Sunday morning program ends on Dec. 18 with a special Christmas class before we take 2 weeks off for the break. Classes resume on Jan. 8, 2017. As always, doors open at 9:30am for hot drinks before lessons start at 10am. You can sign up for your choice of class on Sunday mornings. We always offer a variety of classes for all ages and learning styles.

On Friday nights, we've had lots of fun at our events which are geared towards outreach. It's been great getting to know new students who have been invited by friends! Keep it up everyone—we want iConnect to be a fun, safe place for all students to hang out, make friends, and be able to share life together. On Alive nights, we have enjoyed some great worship sets from our hardworking youth band and have talked about some life-applicable things such as serving others and being thankful during our devotional time.

We have lots of great things coming up in the New Year! We kick off 2017 with Human Bowling—an event as crazy as it sounds! Along with some other fun events, we are also joining the youth for the 30 Hour Famine overnight event in March. Together we will fast from food so we understand a bit more how people living in third world countries feel like. Some other churches are joining us for this BIG event with lots of games such as dodgeball and Gorgon (part tag, part hide n go seek—in the dark!), plus different activities to choose from such as board games, video games, life-size monopoly and jenga, and more! We will break the fast together before the event is over. We encourage you to raise as much money as possible for this great cause—the people who raise the most money will get to throw a pie in one of their leaders' faces!!

It's been great getting to know all of you better this year. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year—hope to see you at iConnect soon!

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## iConnect Preteen Ministry

### Friday Night Calendar

Unless otherwise noted, all events are for Grades 6-7 and take place in the iConnect room from 7-9pm.  
2016-2017 Consent Waiver required to participate—be sure to hand it in if you haven't done so already!

#### January 6—Human Bowling

As crazy as it sounds! Join us for life-size games including Human Bowling and Hungry Hungry Hippos—where YOU become a part of the game! Bring some friends and join us for a great night to start 2017.

#### January 13—Alive

Games, worship with the youth, snacks, and a devotional.

#### January 20—Board Games Night

Bring a game or use one of ours! We will have lots of games and snacks available as we spend time having fun together.

#### January 27—Alive

Games, a service project, snacks, and a devotional.

#### February 3—Egg Drop

Bring a friend and work in teams to create a protective nest to save your egg... when we drop it from various heights! Last egg intact wins a prize for the winning team. Will yours be strong enough to drop from the roof??

#### February 10—Alive

Games, worship with the youth, snacks, and a devotional.

#### February 17—Geriatrics Night

Join us for this wacky night of games based on old people stereotypes! Play some bingo, try drinking prune juice, and many more games that earn prizes.

#### February 24—Alive

Games, worship with the youth, snacks, and a devotional.

#### March 3—iConnect Olympics

Bring a friend and join us for this team game—work together to invent a country and then compete in Olympic-style games against other teams. Wear comfy shoes!

#### March 10-11—30 Hour Famine—7pm to 12:30pm

This is a sleepover event for Grades 6-12—we raise money for those without food, and fast for 30 hours to understand what it feels like. This event includes group games, competitions, and activity stations—an event you don't want to miss! **Grab a registration package in January to start fundraising—each student must raise a minimum of \$50 to attend**, and those who have raised the most will get to throw a pie in one of the iConnect leaders' faces!

**There are no Friday events during Spring Break (March 17/24). We resume with AMAZING RACE on March 31.**

**In February, watch for information about weekday events during Spring Break for Grade 6-12 students!**