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AND LET US NOT GROW WEARY
of doing good, for in due season
WE WILL REAP, IF WE DO NOT GIVE UP.
So then AS WE HAVE OPPORTUNITY,
LET US DO GOOD TO EVERYONE,
AND ESPECIALLY TO THOSE WHO ARE OF THE
household of faith.
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President's Letter:

Dear Aventurites,

I'm so thrilled that Glenn Hafele said yes to God's call to be our next Coordinator. Glenn has an incredible heart for youth, and I know that he is already praying about forming God's team. My hope is that you will support Glenn and hold him up in prayer. Please know that if even if you can't be on team there are many ways you can help and be a part of the outside team!

Please join us on Saturday, May 16th at 7pm for our next Reunion. It's being held at 1st United Methodist Church in Torrington. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Blessings!

Laura Roehl

Letter from our Coordinator:

Greetings all from the only T-Town (Thomaston.) I have been blessed to have been asked to be the coordinator for the fall Aventura weekend and although am scared to death of this responsibility I am quite sure that God has a plan for all of us that will be revealed in His time, not mine. I have just come off a Tres Dias weekend so I have only just begun the process of building a team so please don't avoid eye contact with me if you see me coming. My fear of rejection goes back to the same High School dances that I am sure still exist in your life....even if you cannot serve I could still use the hug.

What I would ask is that you would start to prayerfully consider who you would like to invite on this weekend so that we don't have to wait for team meetings in the fall to start asking. Wouldn't it be wonderful to go to the first team meeting with enough guests to know that the weekend is on.

I would also like to say that I may appear to be irreverent at times, quick to joke and laugh at inappropriate times (probs that made the dances so awkward) but I take my faith seriously and would never joke of my love of Christ and what He has done in my life. I also love this community and working with youth in general. You guys rock.....hard..... All I would ever ask of you is what I ask of myself. An open mind, a heart to seek God, and a willingness to serve. I believe if we come before the Lord with that spirit He will use us in ways that we will never see coming.

Talk soon, Glenn

Reunion Report:

A fun time was had at BUMC at our April Reunion, starting with an intro question of what is your guilty pleasure TV show or song. (among those listed were 'My Little Ponies' and Cher's 'Do you believe in life after love') We had a round of the story/picture game (Telephone on paper) where we watched the sentence 'The cows says moo' turn into 'the anteater ate well' and 'the girl walked down the long road towards home' turned into 'the car drove over tombstones'! Amanda Morse gave a heartfelt talk about realizing the meaning of Jesus living in our hearts, and no matter how hopeless we may feel, we need to continue to surrender to Him. Hope you can come to the May reunion!!! Amanda J

Upcoming Reunions and Other Dates:

May Reunion:

Saturday, May 16, 7:00pm
First United Methodist Church of Torrington
21 Fern Dr, Torrington CT 06790

Prayer Requests:

Please be praying for a Coed Koinonia weekend #117 in Rochester, NY May 15-17.

Please Pray for Glenn Hafele and his chief Sarah Morton as they prepare the upcoming Aventura Team. Be praying as to guest to invite, and ways that you can serve.

Please feel free to send prayer requests to our 'prayistas':

Barb Clavette (JEClavette@snet.netor 482-0172)
Sandy Miller (SanJeanM@AOL.comor 482-5601)

They will pass the appropriate ones along to the Croaker to be listed here and send out emails to the prayer chain. Be sure to let them know if you wish to remain anonymous or if you don't want the prayer published at all.

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