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Richmond Chinese Alliance Church Youth Ministry



— Jr. Sponsor Team —

*“Growing Together
In Christ”*

Jr. Fellowship	Mark Fellowship	Sunday School
Gr.7-9	Gr.10-12	Gr. 7-8. 9-10. 11-12
Fri. 8pm-10pm	Sat. 7.30pm-9.30pm	Sun. 11am-12:30pm
jrhighyouth.wordpress.com	markfellowship.wordpress.com	Gr.7-8 - Room 200B Gr. 9-10 - Room 200A Gr. 11-12 - Room 101

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Jr. High Fellowship

Highlights...

Two months have already passed since Jr's Fellowship kicked

off. The youth had a great time at Planet Lazer. They really enjoyed having the opportunity to work together to shoot one another as well as sponsors! Another fun event this past month was Iron Chef Night. With only 5 ingredients and 2 secret ingredients (instant noodles and canned pineapples, the youth put together some very unique dishes for Jaime and Sunny to judge! We also got a chance to talk with Jocelyn and learn some more about what she's doing now and what she's preparing for.

What we've been learning...

Our worship nights and small group times are our primary times of learning together. This month we focused on the idea of sanctification. We explored what sanctification is and how it applies to our walk with God. Simply put, sanctification is deepening our relationship with God so that we're more and more like Him each day. During our small group times we usually further discuss the message shared and also spend time getting to know one another deeper and deepening our relationships within our small groups.

Pray for us...

- Pray for the continued growth of our youth. Pray for growth in relationship with God and in relationship with one another.
- Pray for strength for our sponsors. They commit a lot of time to Jr's in addition to their daily work.

Resources

Be sure to pick up one of our Alliance magazines at church. There's lots of good material in these magazines. This month has several articles focused on youth and youth ministry!

FYI (Fuller Youth Institute)

There's a great review of a great new documentary, "Racing to Nowhere." The documentary focuses on the stresses and pressures that youth are facing nowadays. The reviewer summarizes the video and highlights some of the key points drawn from the video and offers some suggestions on what can be done to help alleviate some of these pressures that teens are feeling on a daily basis. Click here to read the [full article](#) or go to <http://fulleryouthinstitute.org/>

Highlights...

Mark Fellowship is off to a great start. We've been having lots of fun

together so far. As part of a service project we spent a night making little trinkets for the Christmas shoe-boxes. Of course the youth made some little souvenirs for themselves as well! We also joined up with Titus Fellowship (College/Young Adults) for a movie making night. Each group came up with a creative video that had to incorporate everything from Pokemon to Pastor Jason! The videos were great and we all got a chance to fellowship with brothers and sisters outside of our own fellowship.

Mark Fellowship

What We're Learning...

Similar to the Jr's fellowship we have a monthly worship night in which we gather together to sing praises and to learn and be challenged. This month we focused on the idea of sanctification: the deepening of relationship with Christ and conformity to Christ's image. Afterwards we broke into our small groups and had great discussions on what this means to our lives and what this looks like in real life. We also spent a night discussing the influence social networking and media has in our day to day life.

Pray for us...

- Pray that we continue to grow as a fellowship and grow in our relationship with God.
- Pray for those who are going to Winter Conference. Pray that they will be challenged and transformed.

This Month...

Nov. 5 - Worship Night

Nov. 12 - Pastor Bart

Nov. 19 - Skating

Nov. 26 - Small Groups

Dec. 3—Worship Night

This Month...

Nov. 4 - Worship Night

Nov. 13 - In Memoriam

Nov. 20 - Small Groups

Nov. 27 - Are you smarter...

Dec. 4 - Worship Night

"until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ" - Ephesians 4:13

Sunday School

We're already half way through our first semester of Sunday School. Something new this year is a monthly assembly in which all the Sunday School classes gather together to learn together. We are

currently going through the Apostle's Creed together section by section. Our prayer is that as we learn and memorize this creed together we will affirm our faith and grow in our understanding of what means to be a follower of Christ.

Gr. 7-8

The Gr. 7-8 class has been and will continue on learning what it means to be a leader. So far they have been learning about their gifts, how to be "others centered," how to be a "servant leader," and how to prioritize your life around God and God's calling for us. In the coming month they will continue to learn about leadership. They will learn what it means to lead with honesty and integrity.

Gr. 9-10

The Gr. 9-10 class has worked through the first of three topics for this semester, money. With the help of different parables, they have discussed what value money holds in our lives. They have also discussed what other things can be offered to God (money, gifts, skills, talents) and what it truly means to be "rich." Rich doesn't only apply to money. They are now beginning the next topic, forgiveness.

Gr. 11-12

The grade 11-12 class is now in chapter 4 of their study of the letter to the Ephesians. Probing questions have turned students to consider Paul's words and context meaningfully, and thus leading students to reflection about their own contexts, lives and relationship with God. By the end of the study of Ephesians, there should be a good grasp of the letters overall message and themes.