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"...where people grow strong in the Lord." Eph. 6:10

A Special Invitation

Summer is rolling along strong, as well as our various activities at Lord's Gym Ministries for our youth and adult friends.



I hope this newsletter finds you well and that you will be encouraged by all the things that are happening. We want you to be blessed by understanding what a blessing you are to this ministry and the many people the Lord is reaching. Without you, we wouldn't be here, so again, thank you for sharing your prayers, time, treasures and talents with us. It is always so appreciated.

I wanted to take the time to look a little forward into the fall when we will be hosting our Community Awareness Breakfasts. These free fund-raising events are essential to spreading the word about the ministry, as well as growing the ministry.

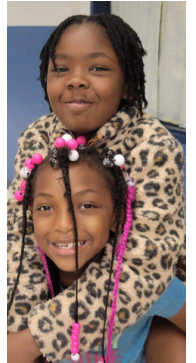
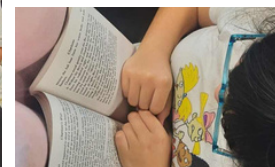
I want to encourage you to Save the Dates: Wednesday, Sept. 18, 7 to 8:30 a.m., Kenwood Country Club, 6501 Kenwood Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45243 and Thursday, Oct. 10, 7 to 8:30 a.m., Embassy Suites, 10 Rivercenter Blvd., Covington, KY 41011.

To register, please, visit <https://lordsgymministries.org/events/>.

Also, please, prayerfully consider being a table host. As a table host, you'll be assigned a table and invite your guests to sit with you, enjoy a free breakfast and listen to an inspiring presentation about how the Lord is moving in the lives of so many people.

You'll hear from staff members, as well as volunteers and friends who's lives are being transformed for the glory of God. Please, reach out to me as soon as possible, if you'd like to be a table host, via e-mail at SBowers@LordsGymMinistries.org. Stand Firm.

Scott Bowers
Executive Director



An Inside Look at Youth Activities

Gabriella, 9, says she loves to play soccer. She played this past spring. "It's fun," she said. "I like my coach because she's fun and funny. It feels good too to learn about how God loves us."

Youth Athletics Chaplain Chris said the goal of soccer, and all of the youth experiences, is to "transform lives for the glory of God. We do this by sharing the Gospel and at the center of that Gospel is Jesus," he said. "Yes, we do sports and other activities. Yes, it's fun, the kids develop skills, but the main thing we want to do is pour into our parents' and kids' lives hope and that hope is Jesus."

While school is out, the Youth Summer Program, held throughout the week at the Family Activity Center in Price Hill, allows the kids to gather for Bible study, library and pool visits and other field trips, gardening, community service, and cooking classes.

"Working with the neighborhood children has been such a blessing to my life," said Community Liaison Valerie, who runs the after-school and summer programs at the FAC. "Their desire to grow in the Lord makes me excited to be with them everyday. Working with the youth now, feeding them spiritually, will lead many of them to the feet of God as young adults."

Lord's Gym is also hosting a Summer Sports School, where participants receive training in basketball, wrestling, soccer, football and agility. The kids also participate in community service projects and field trips, as well as an Exploring Faith Class.

In the fall, Chris said the plan is to start up soccer again. He hopes to have flag football

and basketball this winter, and is focused on adding more girls teams. It just depends on the number of coaches, he said.

"There are plenty of kids for the sports, we just need the coaches, willing to make the commitment; twice a week practice and a weekend game," Chris said. "Coaching is a great opportunity to impact a child. You don't have to know the sport well, that can be learned as you go, you just have to be there. You get to speak life into these kids and encourage them and challenge them to see that if they apply themselves and work hard and seek God for strength, they can do a lot more than they realize."

In Covington, Lord's Gym is offering a boxing program with Cobra Boxing Club.

"I know how it was when I was younger, when you get too much time on your hands, you get into trouble," Cobra Boxing Club owner Jeff said. "We want to make sure these kids get on the right path and stay on the right path in life. It feels good doing that."

Bray, 17, said he has a lot of fun at the boxing program. "The coaches and the friends I've made are like my family," he said. "And, this is a fun sport. I'm now more disciplined and I'm learning so much."

Also, this summer several youth will once again participate in the 325-mile Resiliency Ride, from Pittsburg to D.C.

"They will forever remember this week what they accomplished, overcame, and the battles they faced internally pushing themselves and leaning into God to fuel them," said Sara, a parent of a rider. To follow the progress, follow our social media accounts below and our blog: LordsGymMinistries.org/blog.

Growing Strong Series: Plan Ahead and Register Today

Presenting Sponsor

Pickleball Tournament

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 2

The Pickle Lodge
7373 Kingsgate Way
West Chester, Ohio 45069

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7-8:30 a.m.

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Making Your Service More Impactful

We would like to invite you to one of our Volunteer Essential training sessions. Each quarter we hold a session to re-energize our volunteers, as well as give them a better understanding of our culture and expectations at Lord's Gym Ministries.

Our next sessions are scheduled 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at the Family Activity Center in Price Hill and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Covington Lord's Gym.

In November, we will hold training sessions at the same times and locations, Saturday, the 9th and Tuesday the 5th, respectively.

Whether you are a longtime volunteer or just looking to check out opportunities, you are encouraged to come. Only one session is needed.

Also, be on the look out later this summer for news about a volunteer small group, we will be starting via online for Bible Study. Reach out to Melissa at mreiner@LordsGymMinistries.org for information.

Consider a Financial Gift

Want to make an impact? Here's your chance. Be the hands and feet of Jesus by giving to Lord's Gym Ministries to help us serve the Cincinnati and Covington communities. Fill out the form below and mail it back to us or donate online at www.LordsGymMinistries.org.



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