

# SPECIAL THANKS

A HUGE thank you to all the people that basically gave our ministry site in Wadsworth a big hug recently!!



**Dan Dunkle** from **D & D Heating and Cooling** got our furnace up and running. If you are looking for an honest company that also cares about the youth in our community to fix or replace heating and cooling...call Dan!

**Frank Dannemiller** from **Silvercreek Motor Repair**, once again got our big red van rolling!! Looking for an honest, reasonably priced mechanic that also loves supporting local ministry and helping out those in need?....call Frank!



Also thanks to **Tammy Yoder** and her crew of ladies that come EVERY month and clean our cafe and hang out space!

Finally, thanks to a community group of very generous people from **Wadsworth Chapel** that gave their Saturday to clean and organize and weed and paint and build to get our ministry grounds in amazing shape!!



All of you guys rock! Thank you!!!

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*Connecting Teens To Jesus Christ And His Church*

## The “What” and the “Who” of Youth for Christ of Northern Ohio | Steve Pausch

It is Christmas time again—hard to believe. Time goes by so fast. My favorite thing about this season is the simplicity of God’s story. It all starts with a baby; everyone loves a baby. A baby makes everyone smile. We often get to sit behind young ones at church, and it is just amazing to see their eyes wide open to all that is around them. The world is a simple place to a baby.

Today’s world of the teenager is not so simple. At least once a week, we are talking with a teen who is confused about who they are or doesn’t like what gender they were born. Teens live in families where they don’t feel loved or even like they belong. They are bombarded every second of the day with electronic messages pushing them into this or pulling them another way. Schools and media teach them how to live and how to act which has strayed far away from God’s ideal way of living. The statistics dealing with teen alcohol and drug use are alarming and sad, and when you look at those statistics coupled with those dealing with mental health in teens, the picture is discouraging and dark. In a world that seems lost and hopeless we know God has a plan for today’s teens and Youth for Christ is a part of that plan.

What do we do at YFC to help? Our staff and volunteer teams go into the world of the teenager, going where they hang out, and becoming a voice in a mixed up world. Our adult leaders are specialists in engaging with teens in their world and helping them see the Truth of God’s Word. We build genuine friendships with young people and in the course of time share with them how God can be a part of their lives.

Thank you for making it possible for our adults to be involved with the teens of this world and help them choose Jesus over all the other choices that lead to death.

## A Place to Call Home Update

At the time of this writing, you have graciously given over \$19,000 toward our amazing opportunity to buy the property of the Wadsworth ministry site! With matching funds from a generous donor that \$19,000 turns into \$38,000. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 which our donor is willing to match. This will allow us to purchase the property known to teens as The Garage. To be considered, gifts must be given by December 31 and be above what you normally give. We’re so blessed by your generosity! If you would still like to donate, simply write “Home” in the memo of your check.

## The Staff of Youth for Christ of Northern Ohio..... Merry Christmas from our families to yours!

**Laurie Beal....** Laurie is our Director of Ministry in the Wadsworth area. She is responsible for all of our facilities and runs the Teen Parents program, our Thrift store and the Friday Night Hang Out for Teens. Laurie and Jim have been married since 1988 and have four children. Molly, Jesse, Mason and D'aquan.



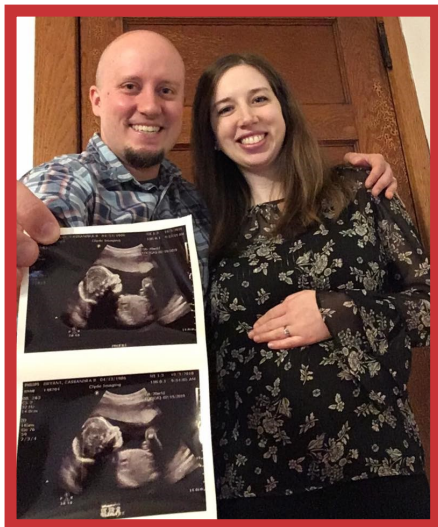
**Matt Mountjoy...** Matt is in charge of our High School and Middle School ministries in the Wadsworth area. Matt is a graduate of Wadsworth High School. He has been a huge asset to the ministry since returning home and is also a coach on the Varsity Football staff at Wadsworth High. Matt has been married to Dana since May, 2009, and they live in Wadsworth.



**Steve Pausch....** Steve is the Executive Director of Youth For Christ of Northern Ohio. His job responsibilities include fundraising, staff supervision, staff recruitment, volunteer training, and new ministry start up. Steve has been married to Cathy since December, 1989 and they have six children... Jesse, Rebekah, Hannah, Leah, Tabitha, and Caleb.



**Doug Bryant...** Doug is our Director of Ministry in the Fremont area. He is responsible for recruiting volunteers, runs a middle school outreach, a high school outreach, and several events through the year. Doug has been married to Cassie since 2011 and they are expecting their first child in February .



**Barb Pfeiffer...** Barb is the office manager for Youth For Christ of Northern Ohio and is responsible for countless tasks that keep things running including all mailings and newsletters, book keeping, event and staff accounts, prayer update, and donor communications. Barb has been married to Eric since 1991 and they have two daughters, Claire and Lydia.

