

COS Youth May Council Report

Though it's only the first of May, I can safely say the school year is coming to a close. The last high school youth group is May 11 and the last Team 78 youth group is May 18--already! Both evenings will be spent at Holland State Park for a time of fun and games, a shared meal, and reflection over the past year. By the time this report is read, I have already distributed the youth ministry's summer activities flier, entitled "Summer Stuff," which is also on the reverse of this report. I'm looking forward to this summer since most all the kids know me this time around: they shouldn't be too scared to show up for a beach day!

This year we say goodbye to Team 78 leader Yuko Yamaura who has moved back to Japan and to HS leaders Jonathan and Rachel Laughlin who are moving on to another chapter in their lives. I hope to recruit more leaders over the summer.

Mexico Mission Trip: The Mexico group just had their dinner fundraiser last night! We're not sure yet how much we raised but still have our auction on May 21 to look forward to!

Graduation Baskets: I am collecting numerous items to add to the Graduation Baskets for the high school seniors, to be presented to them on June 1st.

Mentoring Program: Not yet smooth sailing, the mentoring program is working out well. Mentors are still in the process of contacting students--a feat needing much prayer! I try to make sure none of the mentors feel discouraged if they are turned down by a student. One goal of this program is to enable more adults in the church to be in contact with the youth in the church, and for youth to feel connected in yet another way to COS. A long-term goal is to match every student entering the 7th grade with an adult mentor.

June 1st: This day marks my 1st year at COS!

Sincerely,

Judy Ko