



reachyouthministry

RETREAT MINISTRY TEAMS



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## DIRECTOR'S NOTE

With the blessing of our Bishop Carlos A. Sevilla S. J., and as a ministry of the Catholics In Action, Reach Youth Ministry continues in its mission. Our theme for this year's teams and ministry is taken from *Hosea 2:16*. "*So I will allure her. I will lead her into the desert and speak to her heart.*" A retreat is that kind of invitation from God to a quiet, simpler place and time, a time to listen with our hearts.

Join us in support of the Reach teams and pray for their mission as they will minister to over 10,000 young people this school year. As you look through the pages here, don't hesitate to contact our office with any questions regarding retreats, events or serving on a Reach Team. Also check out our redesigned website at [www.reachym.com](http://www.reachym.com).  
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Front Row:  
Dan and Renee  
Back Row:  
Laura and Melissa

## OUR MISSION

Reach Youth Ministry is a Catholic, evangelistic, traveling retreat ministry. Reach Retreat Teams share the Gospel in a relevant, genuine and engaging way with youth across the US and Canada. Reach Team members proclaim Christ in a fun and meaningful way through personal witness, prayer, and the truth of our Catholic faith.



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## Our Friends Say It Best.

"There is a beauty to the Gospel that Reach Team members have captured in their own lives. They are able to transmit the beauty of the Gospel in a way that is attractive to young people – in a way that captures the dignity and beauty of the human person in keeping with the spirit of Pope John Paul's New Evangelization.

*Most Rev. Carlos A. Sevilla, S.J. – Bishop of Yakima*

"The transformation of the young people who are trained and who give a year of their lives to serve other young people is dramatic." *Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Archbishop of Chicago – when he was Bishop of Yakima*

"Our students enjoyed the Reach Team so much last year that some of them returned this year for the Confirmation Retreat even though they were already confirmed!"

*Oregon Youth Minister*

"The training and experience of the Reach Team had a powerful impact on our Confirmation candidates. Young people witnessing to Christ and His Church to and for other young people is a gift of the Holy Spirit and provides a deep experience of evangelization and conversion."

*Deacon in New Mexico*

"Our Catholic youth were very blessed by the presence, example, and action of the (Reach Team) that put on a retreat last weekend. The retreat was one of the best we have experienced in recent history, and most left with a renewed sense of faith and Catholic identity." *Priest in Idaho*

"The Reach Team is well trained and they know how to have fun. Reach brings the love of Jesus and shares it with all."

*Retreatant in Texas*

"I am looking forward to next year. The teens had a great time. The Reach ministry is valuable to us. Reaching teens is a must – thanks for doing it so well."

*Youth Minister in California*



# Reach Retreats

Reach retreats are young adults ministering to young people about the importance of prayer, the sacraments and a personal relationship with God.

## RETREAT PRESENTATIONS

### PRAYER

- The Power of Prayer - Why is prayer important?
- Personal Prayer – Quality time with God
- Praying with Scripture – God’s word moving in our lives
- Prayers of the Church – How do Catholics pray?
- Hear His Voice – How God reveals Himself to us



### CONVERSION (A 4-POINT GOSPEL)

A Presentation that Includes:

- Creation – The Father made us because He loves us
- The Fall – Original sin touches us all
- Jesus – Jesus saves us by reconciling us to God
- Choice – How can I choose to live for Christ, and what does that mean?



### SACRAMENTS

- **Reconciliation** - What is it, and how can it have a personal impact on my life?
- **Eucharist** - What do we believe about the Eucharist and how is it important to us?
- **Confirmation** - Why is Confirmation important to the Church and how will it affect my life?



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## RETREAT COMPONENTS

Reach Retreats can include any or all of the following components:

**Reach Team testimonies** – Why and how each team member made a decision to follow Christ.

**Drama** – Original dramas and skits that focus on our faith.

**Prayer** – Time spent on retreat in personal, large and small group prayer.

**Praise and Worship** – A dynamic way to approach God in prayer...through song!

**Small Group** – Led by a team member, a great way to grow through relationship and dialogue about faith and life.

**Games** – Mixing up the group and bringing out its unique personality.

**Reflections** – Guided by the Reach Team, a time set aside to focus and listen to God.

**Faith Building Activities** – Interacting to provide a sense of unity and belonging in the body of Christ.

**Men's/Women's Session** – Teams present and facilitate sessions on Christian Manhood or Womanhood with a focus on human dignity and the gift of self.



# Can't Miss Reach Events



## **REACH GONZAGA CONFERENCE May 15-17, 2009**

Come and join the Reach Teams for a dynamic weekend that combines the energy of a conference with the intimacy of a retreat! Youth from all over come for a weekend of faith-filled music and the peer ministry the Reach Teams provide. Don't miss this opportunity to have a lot of fun as well as a personal encounter with Christ.



Returning is keynote speaker Courtney Brown! Leading music for the weekend is the band Johannin out of Portland, OR.

The weekend is for those in 7th grade and older.

## **REACH DISCIPLESHIP CAMP June 21-26, 2009**



Join us in Grandview, WA for a great week full of praise and worship, games, prayer, fellowship and of course, our camp Olympics! We will have the Catholic band "The Thirsting" leading music all week as well as keynote speaker Mandy Erskine. Don't miss this fun and engaging time centered on fellowship with each other and focusing on what it means to be a disciple of Christ.



The week is for teens who are 15 and older, or entering the 9th grade.

Go to the the events page on the Reach website to get registration materials and find out more information!!

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## BOOKING A RETREAT

Every year Reach Youth Ministry sends out three teams to proclaim the Gospel in parishes and Catholic schools throughout the United States and Canada.

Our schedules fill up fast, so call today to book a retreat your youth will never forget.

We would love to partner with you in bringing Jesus Christ to the young people in your area.

To book a Reach Retreat  
Contact Laura at:  
509-678-8754 or  
laura@reachym.com

Go to our website and download  
all the information you need to  
get started!



## RETREAT FEE GUIDELINES (not including mileage)

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| Short Retreat (up to 4 hours long)       | \$ 400.00  |
| School Day Retreat (4 to 7 hours long)   | \$ 500.00  |
| Extended Day Retreat (over 7 hours long) | \$ 600.00  |
| Overnight Retreat                        | \$ 700.00  |
| Weekend Retreat                          | \$ 800.00  |
| Week-long (variety of retreats)          | \$1,500.00 |

Mileage fee is currently \$0.585 per mile.  
All of the above is in American funds



Booking a Retreat/Upcoming Events



## Introducing the 2008 - 2009 Teams

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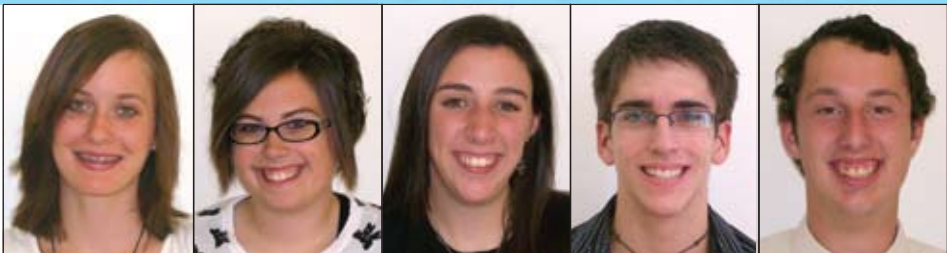
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