

Hello Floodline Families!

Well, the holiday season is already upon us and my guess is your schedules are getting quite busy. It happens to us all, doesn't it? In an attempt to help you stay a little more organized, we offer the following information regarding our upcoming spring semester.

### **We ARE Witnesses**

The past couple months the Holy Spirit has been speaking to me about being His witnesses in the world. It's not a matter of witnessing (verb) as much as **being** a witness (noun). Our Leadership Team is working hard to format the semester around that emphasis. Please be in prayer with us and help reinforce the message at home.

### **LifeGroups**

Floodline started a system of small groups, which we called LifeGroups, this past September. We committed ourselves to a 90-day experiment to see if they would be helpful in reaching our vision for Christ. Well, the bottom line is they have proven to be absolutely phenomenal. Our students have responded better than we could have anticipated. Also, the parents of those students involved have reported wonderful changes in their children.

We're still not quite strong enough to expand with more groups yet, but we hope to soon. One small change we will implement this spring, though, is we're **not** going to meet on the last Sunday of each month. That will offer a nice family break every few weeks. If your high school son and/or daughter is not yet involved, please encourage him/her to get a taste of authentic, Biblical community on Sunday nights from 6:00-7:30.

### **Spring Calendar**

For you planners out there, here are a few up and coming dates. Details will be shared as each event draws closer. Due to the nature and expense of both the Junior/Senior Trip and the Guatemala Mission, though, some details are enclosed. Finally, be on the lookout for each LifeGroup service project. All five (5) groups will be planning one soon.

Family Meeting	Wednesday, Jan. 11 (8:00-8:30 Teen Sanctuary)
Girls Night	Friday, Jan. 13 (overnight @ the Baker home)
LifeGroups Re-Launch	Sunday, Jan. 15 (6:00-7:30 Teen Center)
Guys Night	Friday, Feb. 24 (overnight @ the Clevenger home)
Junior/Senior Trip	May 24-29 (Bahamas Cruise)
High School Camp	June 4-8 (Signal Mountain)
Mission Trip	July 14-21 (Guatemala)

### **Thanks**

It is truly an honor to partner with you in the spiritual development of your high school student(s). It's a heavy responsibility none of us take lightly. It can be very challenging at times and, yet, very rewarding as well. Thank you for allowing us "a place at the table" with your family. We love you all very much and are so excited to see what the Lord has in store for 2012! Blessings to you all!

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## **Guatemala Mission Trip (July 14-21)**

All high school students are encouraged to participate in this week-long mission trip to the Central American nation of Guatemala! This is a Global Infusion trip, led by Jonathan Haward. This year a large portion of Floodline's annual budget will go toward this trip, to make it affordable to as many students as possible. For that reason, space is limited to the first twenty (20) students (10 young men and ten 10 young women).

The total cost of this trip is \$1700, but the cost to Floodline students is \$1000. The remaining fees will be covered by Floodline. That cost is all-inclusive including airfare, accommodations, meals and in-country transportation, insurance, supervision during the trip, etc. The only things not covered by this cost is any pre-trip immunizations needed, passport fees and souvenirs while traveling. (Each participant is personally responsible for those things.) Your application and first NON REFUNDABLE payment of \$200 secures your spot. Due to the nature of this trip, mandatory training meetings will be held discussing contextual ministry, basic mission skills, logistics, etc. See the tentative schedule below for those dates.

### **Meeting Dates & Important Notes:**

Jan. 11	First Payments & Applications Due	\$200
Feb. 15	Second Payments & Passports Due	\$200
March 14	Third Payments Due	\$200
April 18	Fourth Payments Due	\$200
July 4	Final Payment & Immunizations Due	\$200

To obtain applications or get more detailed information, email [info@globalinfusion.org](mailto:info@globalinfusion.org).

## **Junior/Senior Trip (May 24-29)**

All high school upperclassmen are invited to join us on a Carnival cruise to the Bahamas! Please keep in mind that while this trip is a lot of fun, it is not heavily funded by Floodline. Very little money is budgeted for this reward-based trip; therefore the cost is almost solely carried by each participant.

The total cost of this trip is \$500 and covers all transportation, meals on the ship, tips for cruise employees, room fees & supervision while on the trip. All additional funds are to be provided by the student, based on his/her spending habits. A NON REFUNDABLE deposit of \$100 is due no later than January 11 to secure your spot. The second and third payments (of \$200 each) are due on March 14 and May 16 respectively.

All participants must either provide a valid passport or his/her original birth certificate (not a copy) and state issued photo ID (i.e. driver's license).

More information is available upon request ([casey@parkwest.org](mailto:casey@parkwest.org)).