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**AT A GLANCE
 CALENDAR**

- **SUNDAYS**
 Confirmation
 4:30 to 6:00 pm
 Youth Room
- **SUNDAYS**
 High School
FLAME
 7:30 to 9:00 pm
- **MONDAYS**
 Lakeshore HS &
 St. Joseph HS
 Small Group
 2:40 to 4:30 pm
- **MONDAYS**
 HS & College
 Small Group
 7:00 to 9:00 pm
 Dan Colthorp's
 house
- **TUESDAYS**
 Lakeshore MS
 Small Group
 2:30 to 4:30 pm
- **TUESDAYS**
 High School
 Guys Group
 7:00 to 8:00 pm
- **WEDNESDAYS**
 Middle School
FLAME
 7:00 to 8:30 pm
- **THURSDAYS**
 Upton MS Small
 Group
 3:00 to 4:30 pm



SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER

2011

Friends, Fun & Fellowship with a Purpose!

Follow Christ
Learn the Word
Advance the Good News
Minister to others
Encourage others in their Faith

Middle School FLAME

- **9/7: Ice Cream Social**
 What is FLAME Ministries All About?
- **9/14: Using the Brain God Gave You**
 (Homework & studying)
- **9/21: School Problems**
- **9/28: Peer Pressure**
- **10/5: Parent Night & Pizza Party**
 What Does It Mean to Serve?
- **10/12: Self Esteem (Being yourself & liking it!)**
- **10/19: Getting Physically, Mentally, Emotionally & Spiritually Healthy**
- **10/26: Junk that May Get Thrown Our Way: Divorce**
- **11/2: Junk that May Get Thrown Our way: Death**
- **11/9: Junk that May Get Thrown Our Way: Rumors about Us**
- **11/16: Junk that May Get Thrown Our Way: Break-ups from Dating Relationships**
- **11/30: Laser Tag at Slackers**
- **12/7: What Makes Jesus So Special?**
- **12/14: Mass Mess Christmas**
 (Sin is fun but makes you feel gross—God wants to clean you up)

High School FLAME

- **9/11: Ice Cream Social**
 What is FLAME Ministries All About?
- **9/18: Using the Brain God Gave You**
 (Homework & studying)
- **9/25: School Problems**
- **10/2: Parent Night & Pizza Party**
 What Does It Mean to Serve?
- **10/9: Self Esteem**
- **10/16: Getting Physically, Mentally, Emotionally & Spiritually Healthy**
- **10/23: Junk that May Get Thrown Our Way: Divorce**
- **10/30: Junk that May Get Thrown Our way: Death**
- **11/6: Junk that May Get Thrown Our Way: Rumors about Us**
- **11/13: Junk that May Get Thrown Our Way: Break-ups from Dating Relationships**
- **11/20: Why Would an All-Powerful, All-Good God Allow These Things to Happen?**
- **11/27: Be Careful Not to Assume**
- **12/4: Treating People as Brothers & Sisters in Christ**
- **12/11: What Makes Jesus So Special?**
- **12/14: Mass Mess Christmas**



September - Paintball for All



Both Middle School & High School FLAME will be going to "The Hole in the Wall" for some paintball fun on **Saturday, Sept. 17.**

We will meet at the church at 10:00 AM. Please bring \$40-\$80 and all your paintball gear. You can also rent paintball equipment for around \$25. Also, please bring a sack lunch, snacks, \$\$ for dinner, and lots of friends! After all this is our outreach event for September!

October - Pizza Night & Five Pines

Parent Night & Pizza Party: We would really like to get to know the parents of the students who are connected to FLAME Ministries, so this year we are having a Parent Night & Pizza Party for High School FLAME on **Sunday, Oct. 2, 7:30-9pm.**

Middle School FLAME will have theirs on **Wednesday, Oct. 5, 7:00-8:30 pm.** Come play some games with your child, eat some pizza, and get to know some of their friends and youth group leaders.



Hayride at Five Pines: Friday, October 21, meet at the church at 5:30 or at Five Pines at 6:15 pm. Both Middle School & High School FLAME will be going to Five Pines for a hayride, campfire, and S'mores. There will be one wagon for middle school students and another for high school students.

You must sign up and pay for this event ahead of time as space is limited. Cost is \$10. If you want to bring friends, please ask them early and get them signed up and paid for ahead of time.

In Matthew 18:20, Jesus says,

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

November - Laser Tag: Both Middle School & High School FLAME groups will be going to Slacker's for some Laser Tag action on **Wednesday, Nov. 30, 7-9 pm.** Cost will be \$10-15. Get dropped off and picked up at Slacker's.

December - Shopping Trip: High School FLAME will be going to Grand Rapids for some Christmas shopping and dinner on **Saturday, Dec. 10.** We will meet at the church at 10:00 am and return around 7:00 pm.



Winter Spiritual Retreats

The High School Winter Retreat will be **Feb. 3-5**, at Miracle Camp in Lawton. There will be powerful Chapel services, great spiritual discussions, and plenty of fun activities. Outdoor activities include tobogganing, cross country skiing, broom ball, football, and other group games. Indoor activities include dodge ball, volleyball, basketball, game room, board games, card games, or just sitting around talking with friends. Cost is \$90.

The Middle School winter retreat will be **Feb. 24-26.** Cost is \$90. Same activities as listed in the High School retreat.

