

Agape Youth Ministry

PROGRESS REPORT

April 2021

WELCOME!

It is our goal to keep you updated with the latest news about the activities of **Agape Youth Ministry (AYM)** and its various programs with hope that you may want to join us in our mission to work where God is working by helping to develop future Christian leaders from the young adults in our Local communities.

DONATE NOW!!!!

AYM is an Arizona Corporation as well as an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit Christian organization, which depends on donations to be able to provide programs to help our youth. If you are interested in supporting AYM / WMY's programs, donations may be made through our website: www.agapeyouth.org or mailing a check to Agape Youth Ministry P.O. Box 2145, Pinetop AZ 85935

Thank you



White Mountain Youth's INC, 1st Dig Deeper Bible School (DDBS) Class #1

graduated 6 students on Saturday April 17th

Dan Parcel, the WMY Coordinator/DDBS Teacher, has arranged for graduated the first 6 students who have completed 4 semesters (64 week) plus 6 extra class for total of 87 1/2 hours of the DDBS classes. The Graduation was held on *Saturday*, *April 17 at 2pm at First Baptist Church of Pinetop*.

These 6 students will be moving on to DDBS's "Faith in Action" program and participating in AYM's Student Leadership Program, attending a week-long camp with World View Academy (www.worldviewacademy.org and Summer mission trips with Teen Mission International (www.teenmissions.org).

The graduation was MC'd by Dan Parcell along with 4 speakers. The first speaker was Susan Rodriguez, Youth/Children Leader from *Gace Church, ShowLow*, she opened in prayer and had some encouraging words for the graduates.

In between each speaker Dan gave an over view of what was taught in each of the 4 semesters which had an impact on those in the audience on how in-depth the DDPS classes were.

The next speaker was Gordy Lange, *CEO of Agape Youth Ministry*. Gordy spoke to the graduates and audience on the achievement of the graduates.



Note from Agape Youth Ministry's AYM/CEO Gordy Lange:

Congratulations to the 6 students and their parents who have been so committed to complete our first Dig Deeper Bible School classes. A special thanks to Dan Parcell (White Mountain Youth Coordinator) who has been led by our loving God to develop the DDBS program.

Dan hopes to start DDBS classes in September which will include students that have missed classes. AYM has partnered with Dan's Community Youth Group, White Mountain Youth INC to provide a template for future Community Youth Groups in Arizona and establishing more Dig Deeper Schools under AYM's Student Leadership Program in other communities.

Get ready for later this year as AYM with Gods direction, with the relaxing of Covid restrictions, will be going out into the church communities to establish more Community Youth Groups such as White Mountain Youth INC. AYM's programs are to help add to the Churches Youth Group program.

We are looking for individuals who believe that their church and other churches in their community would benefit in bringing these

community would benefit in bringing these churches youth groups together to build a community of Christian Youth.

WHY! With the radical left changing our society, which a lot of it is anti-Christian, it's very important that we start developing our youth to be strong witnesses for Christ. Developing His Church to prepare His coming!

With Agape Youth Ministry's Fellowship-Knowledge-Go! Program we believe God will use the program to prepare our youth. Go to our web site www.agapeyouth.org or contact Me at 602-363-6387 for more information.

Kirby Bradford, youth leader from *The Church* of Pinetop Arizona, spoke to the graduates about the pearls of living in the world.

The keynote speaker was Curtis Farhlender Senior Pastor of *Pinetop First Baptist Church*. Pastor Curtis had encouraging words and praise for the achievement of the students. He spoke on the linage the students were establishing for future generations of strong Christian leaders that will have a positive impact on our world. Pastor Gary Wingate, Senior Pastor, *Grace Church Show* Low, finished the ceremony with the closing prayer.



WMY/DDBS Graduation on April 17 at First Baptist Church Pinetop Az

White Mountain Youth INC. is excited to continue with the graduating students in a program called "Faith in Action". This program will investigate the gifts of the Holy Spirit and help the students to identify their individual gifts. The students will be introducing to multiple ministry opportunities and provide encouragement in serving the Lord.

Dan will be starting new DDBS classes in the White Mountain area starting in September for more information on WMY/DDBS you can contact Dan at 928-892-2157 or e-mail, dparcellaz@azyahoo.com

Our Fellowship program would be a great opportunity for Youth Groups in a community to come together for a *back-to-school*

celebration **event** supported by AYM's Community Youth Group Program for this next school year.

AYM's Scholarship Program is a great opportunity for your Church to provide financial assistance and encouragement to those students that want to attend summer programs that your Church is participating in.

The AYM scholarship Program provides up to \$100.00 for each student and a maximum of 5 students per Church. Check our web site www.agapeyouth.org to print out a Scholarship application. Funding is on a first come basis and the AYM Board of Directors may change funding requirements on an individual basis.

HELP WANTED! Serve on the AYM Board of Directors!

We are looking for men and woman that have a Godly passion for youth. BOD members must have a desire to oversee and promote (includes financial support) AYM's programs. *Most BOD meetings are held quarterly, in person or by video conference or on specific issues by e-mail. BOD members are encouraged to attend the annual meeting in person in January or February.

*Applications for the BOD can be printed off our web page, www.agapeyouth.org under forms.

*Geographic location is not an issue for BOD members as long as they feel they can provide oversite and promote AYM from their geographic location.

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