

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF)
WINTER YOUTH SUMMIT 2024

“Shine”

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. Isaiah 9:2



Information Sheet

Dates of Winter Youth Summit: Jan. 12-14

Cost: \$80

- Payment for WYS can be made in two (2) \$40 payments
 1. When you register, a \$40 deposit **MUST BE PAID** to officially be registered
 2. Sunday, Jan. 7 the other \$40 will be due

Deadline to Register:

Monday, October 30* - Remember to pay the \$40 deposit

*Please note, this is one day later than on the Calendar emailed on Sept. 17th.

(Sun. Oct. 29 is Fall Festival and that will be too busy of a day to provide proper attention to this.)

What is the CBF Winter Youth Summit?

Winter Youth Summit is a biennial, collaborative youth discipleship event among CBF Georgia, CBF Alabama, CBF Virginia, and CBF Tennessee. WYS is a regional three-day, two-night event that engages youth in worship, formation, learning, and fellowship across state lines, encouraging them to embrace a life of service and Christian commitment.

Where is the CBF Winter Youth Summit?

First Baptist Church of Huntsville in Huntsville, Alabama

Why are we participating in this event?

Opportunities for our youth to participate in events with other churches have not been afforded to them (other than through youth choir...Thank you Jeff! ☺). So, when the chance to worship, learn and interact with theologically like-minded youth and churches (CBF) in a large setting comes around I feel it is important for us to participate. I know and trust this leadership group who has worked on and assembled this retreat. Personally, it is an honor for me to see how it has grown to the size and inclusive nature that it has become. I was a part of the first leadership groups that organized the first few years of this event when it was just an Alabama CBF event twenty years ago.

Where will we spend the night?

We have received a conference rate at the Embassy Suites Hotel which is within walking distance (3 blocks) from FBC Huntsville and a block of rooms have already been reserved for the weekend. The rooms can accommodate 4-6 people per room, but please be assured the number of people in a room will not affect your cost for the weekend. A free breakfast Saturday and Sunday morning is also included in our stay.

What are we doing about meals?

Our conference fee includes 3 meals and several snack opportunities throughout the weekend.

Included meals are:

1. Dinner Friday @ FBC Huntsville
2. Lunch Saturday @ FBC Huntsville – Food Truck Lunch
3. Dinner Saturday @ FBC Huntsville

Food trucks will be brought onto the church property for lunch on Saturday. This is also built into the conference fee this year. Students may want to bring cash if they wish to purchase additional snacks or food from the trucks. Remember, we are staying at the Embassy Suites, so our group will have a free breakfast provided there. Lunch coming home on Sunday is still being worked out. Extra money might be needed for this meal. I will let you know for sure as time draws closer.

Other details:

Packing List and detailed Info Sheet will be sent out once our Fall Retreat at Dogwood has concluded.

This will include a schedule with all arrival and departure times along with any extra money that your youth may need for the weekend (free time on Saturday, lunch Sunday, etc.).

Adult Leaders - There will be at least two adult females and two adult males on our trip. I am currently working on securing those leaders. When finalized I will announce who they are.

Transportation – For the weekend we will travel in the fine luxury of the Church Bus and an Enterprise Rental Van

Breakout Sessions – The list of the Breakout Sessions has not been released yet. When I do get it I will share it with the youth and on Wednesday, Nov. 1 they will be able to start signing up for their desired breakout sessions. I will explain how we will get the youth signed up once I have more information about the process from the WYS leadership.

Schedule for the Winter Youth Summit:

Friday, January 12

6:30 PM	Doors Open – First Baptist Huntsville
7:00 PM	Dinner – FBC Huntsville
8:00 PM	Opening Worship – Life Center
9:15 PM	Games and Ice Cream
10:00 PM	Church Group Time
10:30 PM	Return to Hotel

Saturday, January 13

7:00-9:00 AM	Breakfast
8:00 AM	Morning Exercise Options
10:00 AM	Morning Worship – Life Center
11:00 AM	Break
11:15 AM	Breakout Session 1
12:30 PM	Food Truck Lunch

Saturday, January 13 (cont'd)

1:45 PM	Breakout Session 2
3:00 PM	Free Time in the Rocket City
6:00 PM	Dinner – FBC Huntsville
7:00 PM	Evening Worship – Life Center
8:15 PM	Break
8:30 PM	Party (@FBCH – more info to come)
9:15 PM	Milk, Cookies and Fellowship
9:45 PM	Church Group Time
10:30 PM	Return to Hotel

Sunday, January 14

9:00 AM	Breakfast
10:00 AM	Closing Worship – Life Center
11:15 AM	Large Group Picture (In Event T-shirt)
11:30 AM	Glad You Came. Safe Travels!