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The LOGOS Ministry
North East Regional Newsletter
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Dear LOGOS Friend,

Our regional newsletters are now electronic! We hope that you will share this newsletter with the folks in your congregation, your community and your region. If you have news to share, please contact **Liz Perraud** at lizperraud@thelogosministry.org.

Eleven Strong Years of LOGOS at Ark and Dove Presbyterian

Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church in Odenton, Maryland started LOGOS eleven years ago for grades 5 through 12. This year they have twenty young people registered with an additional nine children supervised who are too young to participate but enabling their parents to volunteer. It's exciting to have about twenty-two volunteers this year!

Cheryl Walcutt, LOGOS Co-Director with Debbie Saylor, believes it's the friendships that keep the youth coming each week and coming back each year. Because the church draws on nine different schools, Wednesday evenings are the best opportunity many of the young people have to be able to spend time with each other. The enthusiasm of the kids wanting to be at LOGOS has kept the adults involved. Their kitchen crew in particular has formed a great team, making for a really good atmosphere ministry-wide.

Ark and Dove has used lots of great Family Time themes over the years and one of their favorites is "Cold and Flu Night." Tissue boxes are used as centerpieces and blankets and other "comfort things" are used to decorate. Soup is served that night (the kids get to pick from two kinds) and it has been surprising how much they love what is served!



One of their favorite activities during Recreation Play has been a picture scavenger hunt. Each group is given a digital camera and a list of things to find or create and then to take a picture of it. For example, they've roamed the church building and grounds looking to take photos of a five dollar bill, a fire hydrant, an arrow (one team formed an arrow with their bodies), and an animal (another team "found" a lion in the nursery when they had one of the children there pretend to be one). The seventh-eighth grade spent one of their recreation evenings making lasagna for a local homeless shelter.



At this point in the year, they are all getting ready for Youth Sunday when the LOGOS youth and others will usher, sing, act out a skit, and give the children's message. The confirmation class is working on the sermon to present that morning.

In order to keep up to date with training to implement LOGOS, Ark and Dove sends people to attend the LOGOS Experience, the LOGOS Encounter and makes sure that their coordinators have information to access the LOGOS webinars. Their LOGOS Board meets monthly to plan and share ideas with each other.

Up Coming Events in the North East Region

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**The LOGOS Encounter -- May 16, 2009**  
The Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville  
Lawrenceville, NJ

**The LOGOS Experience -- July 23-25, 2009**

Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church  
Pittsburgh, PA

**LOGOS Powering UP! Workshops -- October 10, 2009**

Ark & Dove Presbyterian Church  
Odenton, MD

**North East Regional Support**

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We welcome your questions, concerns, ideas, support, or anything regarding your local LOGOS Ministry.

For those in PA, VT, NH, please call **Patricia Janssen** at 877-937-2572, EXT 246 or email her at patjanssen@thelogosministry.org.

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