

Keeping Connected in the LOGOS South Central Region

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The Process of Prayerful Planning

The LOGOS Ministry began at First Christian Church in El Reno, OK, after hearing about the ministry at a regional denominational leadership training.

Our Director of Children and Youth came back to the Education Task Force, and after several months of insistence, the task force agreed to send a few people to LOGOS training in Kansas.

A group of three women came back and began the process of prayerfully planning all

of the details so we could begin LOGOS with our junior high and high school youth.



That first spring semester we had seven youth, several who attended worship, but none of our youth activities.

The next fall we opened LOGOS up to our elementary age children. Through much prayer, hard work, loving adults, and children sharing this ministry with their friends, we now have 50 to 60 children and youth filling our

church building on Wednesday evenings. We have had to add two more tables for dinner in the last month.

When children are excited about something, they share their excitement with others. This was evident at our Ash Wednesday Service this spring where all of our children and youth joined together to sing a song and our entire chancel was filled with smiling faces.

LOGOS changes children, youth, adults, and even changes churches!

A Great Idea

We held a "Mr. Potato Night" one evening last fall. We had baked potatoes with all the fixings, salad, and cake for dessert. For our table game we gave each table a potato and a sack filled with feathers, toothpicks, pipe cleaners, thumb tacks, and the challenge was to build their own Mr. Potato Turkey. The tables worked together, no matter the individual's age, to create some wonderful masterpieces. We often forget how much fun and imagination we have if we allow ourselves to be kids!



This month's articles were written by Tara Dew, LOGOS Director at First Christian Church in El Reno, OK. First Christian has had a LOGOS ministry for five years and currently offers LOGOS for over 50 young people from preschool through high school. Tara also serves as a LOGOS Ministry Regional Ambassador.

FOCUS ON TRAINING

- **The LOGOS Experience in Weatherford TX / July 27-29, 2007 [Registration deadline is July 13]**

2 ½ day basic foundations training for new LOGOS ministries or to give those in existing ministries an overview and experience. \$325 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

- **The LOGOS Encounter in Norman, OK / October 20, 2007 [Registration deadline is October 5]**

1 day basic foundations training for new LOGOS ministries or to give those in existing ministries an overview and experience. Take-home materials extend your learning and provide opportunities to share with others in your church. \$325 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

- **LOGOS Powering UP! in Dallas, TX / September 22, 2007 [Registration deadline is September 7]**

- **LOGOS Powering UP! in San Antonio, TX / November 10, 2007 [Registration deadline is October 26]**

1 day multi-topic sessions that allow attendees to choose specific subjects of interest for in-depth sharing and learning. \$75 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

It's time to choose! Has your church decided to be a LOGOS Ministry Member, or a LOGOS Mission Partner for 2007? Regional Newsletters are just one of the many benefits to Membership or Partnership. If you have not yet renewed for 2007, this will be your final issue. Need more information? Call 877-937-2572 or see information on our website: www.thelogosministry.org



Is your church interested in sharing the LOGOS ministry with others?

Exploring LOGOS is a two-hour event for churches to see and hear information about the LOGOS ministry and support system, consider the ministry's impact on young people and the rest of the church, and have an opportunity to determine whether a team from their congregation is ready to attend **The LOGOS Experience or The LOGOS Encounter** training event.

There is no cost to attend!

We are always looking for churches willing to host these events. We supply a regional LOGOS representative and all materials needed. If you would like information on scheduling **Exploring LOGOS** at your church, please contact Liz Perraud at LizPerraud@thelogosministry.org or 1-877-937-2572.

LOGOS South Central Regional Support

Regional Advisors and Regional Coordinators are your resource people for questions, concerns, ideas, support, or anything regarding your local LOGOS Ministry. They welcome your calls and emails!

Volunteer Regional Advisors serving in the South Central Region:

Texas: Suzan Hendrickson

Oklahoma: Brenda Towe

For information on your Regional Advisor, please contact National Coordinator Liz Perraud and she will connect you!
LizPerraud@thelogosministry.org 877-937-2572 x242

We are in the process of calling more regional supporters. If you are interested in finding out about serving LOGOS in a variety of possibilities, please contact Liz.