

## Volunteer Announcements October 2.mp3

Hey Wednesday night volunteers. This is the middle school volunteer announcements for the week of Wednesday, October 2nd. The theme is Smarties Night. So we will be doing some trivia throughout the night, you know, to test out how smart you are and everyone will get a little packet of smarties at the end of the night as you're leaving the VCC.

It's gonna be week three of our Holy Spirit series. So we're gonna be talking about how the Holy Spirit convicts us and what that means why God uses the Holy Spirit to convict us and different responses to conviction. And as a way of preparing for your small group time. I encourage you to think about an appropriate story that you could share with middle schoolers about a time that you felt convicted by the Holy Spirit and how you responded, whether you responded in a Godly way or in a way that was hard hearted. That will be a way of helping the students to learn more and hear some examples of, of conviction and responding to conviction. I

f you are an eighth grade small group leader, please encourage your students to sign up for quest quest is our eighth grade Sunday evening theology course that meets twice a month on Sunday nights from 6 to 8 pm at the church building. We launch on Sunday, October 13. It's a great opportunity for kids to learn why we believe, what we believe and to go deeper in their faith than we have the opportunity to do on a regular Wednesday night.

Please consider signing up to be a leader for the Blitz All Nighter. There is a link on the volunteer info page or on the middle school events page for you to RSVP if you want to stay up all night and help us at blitz, if you can't do all night and you just want to do something on Friday evening or on Saturday morning, reach out to me or Jody. There's opportunities for shorter periods of the night.

If you came on fall retreat or if you didn't come on Fall retreat, there's also a link on the volunteer info page for you to view the Fall retreat, highlight video, just seeing some of the great things that happened that weekend.

For the leader tip, I want to reflect back on something that we talked about this past Wednesday night. We talked about the power of the Holy Spirit and how we can be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. And I talked about two things that can help us see the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives or different ways to allow the Holy Spirit to, to run through us more freely and more powerfully.

One is to be filled with the Holy Spirit and another one is to not quench the Holy Spirit. Those are both biblical examples. So I'm just wondering, giving you some time to do some self reflection here. Are you filled with the Holy Spirit? Are you asking God to fill you with the Holy Spirit? And are there any ways that you have been quenching the Holy Spirit?

Is there anything you need to stop doing or start doing so that you do not continue to quench the Holy Spirit? I can't answer those questions for you. You can spend some time between yourself and God to sort those things out. But may you be filled with the spirit? And may you not quench the spirit so that He might flow through you more freely and powerfully, which will impact your everyday life.

It will impact your relationship with Jesus and it'll impact your impact on middle school students as you serve. Thanks for all that you do praise God for His grace. When we fall short, we love you. May we continue to encourage one another and our middle school students as we seek to become more and more like Jesus and follow Him more and more every day!