

## IMPACT 101

*This class is offered Sunday mornings at 9:00 and 10:30 for 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. This year we are going through the major stories of the Bible- So far, we have worked our way from Genesis through Joshua.*

### Memory Verse for January

**Joshua 1:9** "This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

### Jan 6 Judges 6-7 God Wins Gideon's Battle

**Main Idea: God gives us strength to do what he asks**

God chose Gideon to be his "Mighty Hero", to lead the people to defeat the Midianites. Gideon knows he is not strong enough for the task. He learns to rely on God's strength instead of his own. We will see that God gives us the strength we need to do everything he asks us to do.

### Jan 13 Ruth 1-2 Ruth Cares for Naomi

**Main Idea: God blesses our faithfulness to our family**

Ruth is loyal to her mother in law Naomi when it required leaving her home to move to a foreign country. She worked hard to provide food for herself and Naomi. God blessed her with a kind husband and a family of her own. We will see that God wants us to care for the people in our own families and to the friends he puts in our lives.

### Jan 20 1 Samuel 1-3 Hannah Prays for a Son / God speaks to Samuel

**Main Idea: God wants a relationship with us**

Hannah asked God for a Son. God blessed her with Samuel whom she dedicated to the Lord. God spoke to Samuel who became known throughout Israel as his prophet. We will see that God wants us to talk with him about our needs and our desires and to speak to us personally.

### Jan 27 1 Samuel 16 God Choses David as King

**Main Idea: God sees our heart**

God sent Samuel to the home of Jesse and showed him he had chosen Jesse's youngest son, David, to be the King of Israel. God was not interested in how old or tall or strong David was. God chose David because he had a heart for God. We will see that God has a good plan for each of our lives. We will consider what his call on our life may be and encourage each other to grow in our heart for God and our willingness to follow his call on our life.

## IMPACT 201

*IMPACT 201 is geared for 9-12th grade students and is offered at 9:00 Sunday mornings. Students start the morning in the Youth Room for worship and then move to the classroom in the hallway. During the month of January, we will be covering some of the major pillars of the Christian faith. Contact Brax Carvette at [BraxC@NRF.Life](mailto:BraxC@NRF.Life) for more information about IMPACT 201.*

### Memory Verse for January

**Ephesians 2:8-9** "God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it"

### Jan 6 Scripture Alone

The Bible is alone our highest authority in life. It alone has the authority to tell us how to live our lives. This week, we will be looking at some attributes of the greatest Book ever written.

### Jan 13 Faith Alone

Ask people in or outside of the church, "how do you get into heaven?" and you'll hear tons of different answers. This week, we will seek to better understand what the Bible means when it says that we are saved "by faith."

### Jan 20 Grace Alone

"How is a person saved?" Hopefully, the answer to that question would be fairly easy (we are saved through trusting Jesus for our salvation). That's what we need to do on our end, but what about on God's end? This week, we'll look at what it was that moved God to save every Christian ever.

### Jan 27 Christ Alone

Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life-- no one comes to the Father except by me" (John 14:6). In a world that stresses many roads to heaven, Jesus stands in the middle of it all and shouts, "no one comes to the Father except by me!" This week, we will look at this remarkable claim and why it's so important to understand.



## IMPACT WEDNESDAYS

*Wednesday Night IMPACT is for 6-12th graders. The evening begins with large group games and student led worship. Following this middle school and high school students split into two groups for large group teaching and end the evening in small groups.*



*We are using the book The Seven Checkpoints for Student Ministry by Andy Stanley as a framework for our teaching on Wednesday evenings. Stanley defines seven basic principles every student should understand and embrace before graduating; Authentic Faith, Spiritual Practices, Moral Boundaries, Healthy Friendships, Wise Choices, Ultimate Authority, and Others First. This fall we have focused on putting others first and having authentic faith. In January we will focus on growing in our personal devotional life through spiritual practices.*

### Memory Verse for January

**Romans 12:2** "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

### Jan 9 Spiritual Practices - Worship

We will kick off our new year with a discussion on how to grow a more personal relationship with God through regular worship, Bible reading, and prayer.

### Jan 16 Spiritual Practices – Time with God

How can we develop a daily routine that grows our personal relationship with God.

### Jan 23 Spiritual Practices – The Bible

Reading the Bible – God speaks to us through his Word, the Bible. We read the Bible to learn about him and to hear from him. We will discuss practical ways to read the Bible in a way that makes sense and helps us apply what we read to our lives.

### Jan 30 Spiritual Practices - Prayer

Prayer – We will consider ways to grow in an ongoing conversation of prayer.

## DATES TO KNOW

Jan 2 No Sunday IMPACT – Happy New Year

Jan 6 IMPACT 101 & 201 classes begin

Jan 9 Wednesday IMPACT begins

Jan 12 Broomball on Fish Lake

Jan 18 High School Girls Night

Jan 19 Middle School Girls Day

Jan 19 Chili Cook-off

Jan 26 High School Boys Day

Feb 3 Super Bowl Party at NorthRidge.

Feb 8 Middle School Boys Night

Feb 16 The Big Chill Ice Fishing

More information about these events is on the back of this newsletter and can be found on our website church calendar and youth calendar in **MyNRF**.



Over 20 students shared God's love by singing familiar Christmas Carols and playing Bingo with the residents at the Bridgewater Home in Hanover.



During the month of January students will be encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to help stock the shelves at CROSS. IMPACT offering will also be given to support the ministry of CROSS.



Along with their family, students are invited to serve families who are experiencing homelessness as they stay in our building the week of January 6-13. For more information about how your family can help check the needs list in **MyNRF**.

**Prayer Request:** Please pray for God's leading as we continue to talk with potential Youth Minister candidates during the month of January.

# IMPACT January 2019

Events are for all students grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> unless stated otherwise.

For more information about all youth events, follow these steps:

1. Go to the church website: <https://northridgefellowship.org>.
2. Go to the **MyNRF** menu and login or click on *Create an Account* if you haven't done so before.
3. Click on the **Youth Ministry** Image on the homepage. This will take you to the **IMPACT Youth Ministry** group.
4. Click on the **Calendar** tab in the group. When you click on an event in the calendar you will find more information about that event and be able to RSVP.

CONTACT: [Youth@NRF.Life](mailto:Youth@NRF.Life), 763-428-5115



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**Jan 12 Saturday afternoon Broomball on Fish Lake** in Maple Grove at the Steinkopf's home. Meet at church at 1:00 pm or at the Steinkopf home 7494 Mariner Drive, Maple Grove at 1:30. We will be back at church in time for the 5:00 Saturday worship service. Come dressed to spend the afternoon outside on the lake. If you have a broomball broom bring it with you. Another option is an old broom that you don't mind taping up for broomball. If you don't have anything still come, we will share the brooms we have. **Please RSVP** to attend this event.

**Jan 18 Friday evening 7:00-9:00 pm High School Girls Night** at IMPACT leader Shanna Van Den Einde's home just 5 minutes south of the church building 10620 Cain Rd., Corcoran. **Please RSVP** to attend this event.

**Jan 19 Saturday morning 10:00 am – 12:00 noon Middle School Girls Day** at NorthRidge. All 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade girls are invited to make cookies, have hot chocolate and work on tie blankets for the people of Nett Lake. **Please RSVP** to attend this event.

**Jan 19 Saturday Supper 6:15 pm Chili Cook-off** IMPACT students are encouraged to attend worship on Saturday evening 5:00 pm. Please register online in **MyNRF** to bring a homemade chili for this all church event, or just come enjoy the food and friendships and vote on your favorite chili.

**Jan 26 Saturday 10:00-2:00 High School Boys Tubing at Elm Creek** All 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade boys are invited to go tubing together at Elm Creek Park in Maple Grove. Cost to tube is \$10. Snacks will be provided, or you may purchase food at the concession stand if you prefer. We will meet at the church at 10 am and plan to return around 2 pm. **Please RSVP** to attend this event.

**Feb 3 Sunday evening Super Bowl Party** at NorthRidge. Come hang out with friends and cheer on your favorite team in the Youth Room. Exact times are TBD depending on the timing of the game.

**Feb 8 Friday evening 6:30-8:30 pm Middle School Boys Night** at NorthRidge. All 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade boys are encouraged to come eat pizza and play games in the Great Room. **Please RSVP** to attend this event.

**Feb 16 Saturday afternoon The Big Chill** IMPACT students are invited to attend this annual event hosted by the men's ministry. Come enjoy ice fishing, snowmobiling and other outdoor activities on a local lake.



## January 2019

*Our goal is for every student to **experience God's love** for them in such a way that it overflows into **authentic love for each other** and a **desire to make a difference** in their family, school, community, and world.*

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