

## **Zeteo Conference**

### **Friday February 1 - Sunday February 3, 2019**

**SALT 'N LIGHT YOUTH MINISTRIES (<https://snlym.com/events/zeteo/>)**

Zeteo is a weekend retreat **at the Blair County Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Dr, Altoona, PA 16602, (814) 943-5392 (approximately 3.5 hours away).**

We have been partnering with Salt 'n Light Youth Ministries (SNL) since the summer of 2015 and have loved every minute of it! SNL provides year-round programming through events, missions, retreats, and more. Utilizing powerful worship, self-developed drama and a dance ministry, Salt 'n Light's programming has been enriched and expanded to provide continuous ministry opportunities through all its events.

Zeteo Conference: An ecumenical youth conference designed for students and leaders who desire to draw closer and search deeper. Through four sessions of moving worship, engaging teaching, compelling drama, and challenging break-out seminars, our hope is that you and your group will find God right where he wants to meet you. This year's theme is Architect.

#### **REGISTRATION FORMS & COST**

The total cost for the Zeteo Conference is **\$200 per youth**, which includes two nights lodging in a hotel near the Convention Center, Zeteo Conference ticket, most meals, chaperones, and transportation. It does not include dinner Friday, lunch on Sunday, or SNL merch (t-shirts & other apparel running anywhere from \$20-35).

In order to be considered registered for this event, please return the required forms (see below) with your **\$100 deposit by December 16, 2018**. We will not accept any more registrations for the conference after this date. **The \$100 balance will be due January 27, 2019.** *We do not want cost to prevent any of our youth from being a part of this important opportunity. If you are in need of financial assistance, please contact Hilary as soon as possible to work something out.*

Checks may be made payable to "CUMC" with "Zeteo Youth Conference" in the memo, and returned to any of the youth leaders.

Required forms (all forms available at <https://cumc.net/youth/>)

- **Zeteo Liability Form**
- **2018-2019 CUMC Youth Group Permission Slip** *(If you have already turned this in for this school year, you are not required to fill it out again.)*
- **2018-2019 CUMC Youth Group Covenant** *(If you have already turned this in for this school year, you are not required to fill it out again.)*

Cancellations made prior to the registration deadline of December 16, 2018 will receive a full refund of the deposit and any other payments made. Cancellations made after December 16, 2018 forfeit the deposit and any other payments made, and will be held responsible for any balance. (Exceptions will be made if you are canceling due to extenuating circumstances such as a death in the family or substantial health issues. Please contact Hilary as soon as possible if you need to cancel.)

## **MEALS & MEDICAL NEEDS**

All of Saturday's meals, including a trip for ice cream, and Sunday breakfast are provided within the cost of the retreat. Meals that are not covered include Friday dinner (bring a bag lunch on the bus) and Sunday lunch (bring \$10-15 for lunch on the way home).

If your youth has specific dietary allergies or restrictions, or if your youth has medication that he/she must take while on the trip, please send detailed information to Hilary in advance of the trip so we can take that into consideration as we plan and shop for food ahead of time.

## **TRANSPORTATION & SAFE SANCTUARY POLICY**

We will meet at CUMC promptly at 4pm on Friday, February 1, 2019. We will pack and load, and leave straight from there. We will not be stopping for dinner, so please eat beforehand or bring a bag dinner with you to eat in the car. Transportation will be provided by our adult volunteers in the church bus or, if necessary, in their own vehicles.

All adult volunteers going on the trip have been background checked, per our church's Safe Sanctuary policy. Additionally, all adult volunteers who will be driving the youth at any point have had a driving record check conducted. No adults under the age of 23, or youth, will be permitted to drive at any time.

We will return to CUMC by approximately 3:00pm on Sunday, February 3, 2019. We will have the youth text you as we are leaving Altoona to give you an ETA. Please be ready to pick your youth up at that time.

## **CELL PHONE POLICY**

The youth may bring their cell phones with them on the trip for the bus ride and bedtime. During all Conference sessions and our group's fellowship time together (meals, group discussions, etc...), the expectation is that all cell phones will be put away. The youth leaders reserve the right to confiscate a cell phone or other electronic device if it proves to be a distraction to any of the youth. In case of an emergency, you can reach the youth by calling one of the adult leader cell phones (numbers provided below).

## **WHAT TO BRING**

Youth are permitted ONE carry on size bag. We will have very limited space for luggage. See Salt 'n Light's Zeteo packing list for more details (available at <https://cumc.net/youth/>).

- Appropriate clothing for an indoor Conference Hall for two nights and three days. We recommend bringing layers. We may have snow, so be sure to plan for that!
- Medications in their original bottles
- Money for: Sunday lunch (\$10-15), SNL merch (t-shirts & other apparel ranging from \$20-35)

## **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Blair County Convention Center - (814) 943-5392  
Hilary Ann Golden, Director of Youth Ministries - (267) 368-0861  
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