“Walk with me”

Mission Viejo Stake 2019 Youth Conference

Date: June 27-29, 2019
Place: Riley’s Farm

Monthly Preparation:
The Plan will include three phases:

Find a Pioneer (April)
Youth will use FamilySearch resources and the Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel website to locate a pioneer ancestor. If no pioneer ancestors exists, then they can identify the first member of the church in their family, or someone that has been instrumental in helping them learn of the restoration of the gospel. Every youth will need to have a name. Siblings can use the same ancestor as needed.
*If the youth is the first church member in their family, they will get a special scarf to wear as they trek. Leaders will help youth submit their pioneer ancestor names to the Trek committee by April. (Trek Committee chairs and SYC - please compile your individual organization’s list as one document. There should be two from each ward, one from YM and one from YW). If possible, like the pioneers leaving Nauvoo, the youth could visit the temple between the months of April-June to receive strength before their journey. Take a family name if possible. This can be accomplished with their own family or on the ward level during temple trips with the youth.

Learn about your Pioneer (May)
- Theme of Youth Conference is “Walk With Me.” To help youth prepare spiritually for the trek they will be learning about three specific attributes of Latter-day Saint Pioneer strength. These include:
  - Faith in Jesus Christ (April)
  - Follow the Living Prophet (May)
  - Sacrifice (June)
- Once a month during the months of April through June the stake will provide a real-life pioneer story that highlights one of the 3 Key Attributes of Walking With Christ to be read and discussed by youth and leaders. Questions will be included to help facilitate a discussion.

Walk with Me (June)
- Each youth will walk with the name of their pioneer ancestor. If they are the first and only member of the Church then they will wear their own name. They will be the actual pioneer! At some point during the trek, we will ask them to write a journal entry about that ancestor in relation to one of the 3 Key Attributes of Pioneer Strength that they have learned about personally while on the trek.

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