

HPY Grow-in-Faith Challenge

This summer, we challenge you to grow in your faith! Each of the tasks below is designed to strengthen your faith and belief system while enhancing the knowledge you have of Christianity as a whole. Make your faith your own by reading the Bible, studying, and praying. The reward for this is a stronger faith and admittance to the Challenge Lock-In August 4 (only students who complete The Challenge can go to the Lock-In). This begins June 4 and is due by August 2, 2017- please turn in to TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam or scan & email to tw@hpf.org before the deadline. If you need suggestions on resources to use for any of these things, reach out to a youth sponsor. The first three Challenges are required, plus four more of your choosing for a total of seven.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Date Turned In: _____

Grade Next Year: _____

Required?	Challenge	How do I do this?	How is it measured?	Sign Off & Date
Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name all the books in the Bible, in order. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn 'em! Sing a song, write them down, and practice in front of others! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recite to a youth sponsor in person 	
Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read a chapter of the Bible a week (minimum) between June 4 – Aug 2. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Journal- choose a verse that stuck out and write it down, with the date that you read it, and bracket it in your Bible (don't have a physical Bible? We can hook you up!). If you miss a week, read a whole book of the Bible to make up for it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A youth sponsor will skim your journal and Bible. This one would be easy to cheat... BUT DON'T. 	
Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer to pray out loud at three Grow Groups/youth groups/youth trips 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When a youth leader announces that it's time to pray: volunteer! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam (with help from other youth sponsors) will track- praying on youth trips will count! 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read entire New Testament 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow the guidelines of the chapter a week requirement, just covering a larger amount of ground. IE- read Matthew 1-4 on Day 1. Matthew 5-7 on Day 2. There are several 60 day NT plans on the internet. <i>*If you choose (and complete) this part of the challenge, you will be invited to a nice, fun group dinner at TW & Jenny's.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A youth sponsor will skim your journal and Bible. This one would be easy to cheat... BUT DON'T. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorize and recite entire chapter of scripture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn it! Sing it in a song, write it down a few times, practice in front of others! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recite to a youth sponsor in person 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete 5 volunteer hours at the same location 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You set up your community service with an organization (if you have a question on whether it "counts" or not, please talk to TJLS or youth sponsor). Church organized service DOES NOT COUNT. This is something on your own... like helping at a nursing home, library, animal shelter, elderly neighbors, etc! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have your supervisor at the volunteer location sign this paper in the sign off slot here with dates of your service, their email address or phone number and how many hours. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorize the Fruits of the Spirit & Beatitudes and be ready to answer questions about them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find 'em in the Bible, memorize them, learn what they are, and recite 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recite to a youth sponsor in person 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research another religion and how it differs from Christianity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find two sources and read! There is a whole bunch of information out there: internet, books, articles. Make sure they are true facts! (two page, 12 pt font, double spaced) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn it in to TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam! 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pick favorite disciple and write two page paper- give evidence of why you are drawn to that particular person 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find two sources and read! There is a whole bunch of information out there: internet, books, articles. Make sure they are true facts! (two page, 12 pt font, double spaced) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn it in to TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam! 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artistic representation of one of Paul's missionary journeys (landmarks, cities included). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do the research and study some maps! Get your facts straight and be artistic! Label the landmarks, the journey and important or relevant cities/towns. Add three pieces of YOUR commentary about what happened. We love COLOR! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn it in to TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam! 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artistic representation of your own testimony 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did you become a Christian? What is your story of faith? Use your memory and imagination and tell us about how God has worked in your life! Don't forget, we love COLOR! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn it in to TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam and explain your testimony! 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artistic representation of a scripture, including written out and additional art. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find and read a scripture that speaks to you! Write it out artistically and include some accompanying art that explains the meaning of the scripture and why it spoke to you personally. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn it in to TW, Jenny, Luke, or Sam and explain your amazing art! 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fasting- give up one thing (video games, bread, a social media outlet , etc.) for two weeks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read about fasting. Let TW, Jenny, Luke or Sam know what you are giving up and when you start. Pray to God when you feel the need or want for the fasted item. <i>Fasting during a youth trip does not count.</i> If you slip, start your two weeks over! You can do it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Let TW, Jenny, Luke or Sam know when you are done and be prepared to answer some questions. This one would be easy to cheat... BUT DON'T. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Help 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fix a meal for your immediate family- plan, prepare (not pizza unless it's homemade!), sit, pray and eat with them ➤ Do two chores on a regular basis that "belong" to someone else in your household (June 4-Aug 2) ➤ Write a letter to each member of your household to explain to them what you appreciate about them. Put some time and thought into this part especially! Make it meaningful. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask your parent to initial beside each challenge for Home Help and initial in the Sign Off slot to the right when all three are done to their satisfaction. 	