



# MOVE MOUNTAINS

IF YOU HAD THE FAITH OF A MUSTARD SEED, YOU COULD MOVE MOUNTAINS

Matthew 17:20

OCT. 4-6, 2019

## YOUTH LEADER GUIDE



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### THEME

#### **Move Mountains | Matthew 17:20**

If you had the faith of a mustard seed... you could move mountains. This was Jesus' call to his disciples.

Struggles are inevitable. Life's challenges can feel more like insurmountable obstacles. These mountains can hinder our progress. One can easily mistake Jesus' declaration that we have the ability to "Move Mountains" as an instruction that requires strength, action and motion. But moving mountains does not happen in our own strength! In order to move mountains, we must grow in faith. Growing in faith means cultivating the belief that God can do anything. When you believe this, nothing is impossible. Know that God is in the mountain moving business and wants our faith to supersede our doubts. It is out of a place of deep faith that we can move forward and journey courageously into the future.

### LOCATION

Wildwoods Convention Center | 4501 Boardwalk, Wildwood, NJ 08260

### CONTACT

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### CONNECT ON THE WEB

[www.ignitenj.org](http://www.ignitenj.org)

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## BEFORE CONFERENCE

### IMPORTANT DATES

- **April 1** | Early Bird Registration and Scholarship Applications Opens
- **May 31** | Early Bird Registration Ends (Price Increase)
- **June 1** | Priority scholarship deadline
- **September 15** | Final scholarship deadline
- **August 31** | Summer Pricing Ends (Price Increase)
- **September 22** | Final Scholarship Deadline
- **October 4-6** | Ignite 2019

### CHECKLIST

- ✓ Register for conference admission (leaders and students)
- ✓ Book lodging
- ✓ Book transportation
- ✓ Create a packing list and itinerary for parents/students
- ✓ Plan a parent meeting to review the details of the trip
- ✓ Plan activities and meals for your students during down times

### REGISTRATION

You can register your group for IGNITE by visiting our website at [www.ignitenj.org](http://www.ignitenj.org).

| IGNITE PRICES           | 1-9 students/leaders | 10-29 students/leaders | 30 or more      |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| April 1 – June 1        | \$60 Per Person      | \$55 Per Person        | \$50 Per Person |
| June 2 – August 31      | \$65 Per Person      | \$60 Per Person        | \$55 Per Person |
| September 1 – October 3 | \$70 Per Person      | \$65 Per Person        | \$60 Per Person |
| October 4 (At the Door) | \$80 Per Person      | \$75 Per Person        | \$70 Per Person |

**If you are paying by check, contact Beverly Karlovich**  
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### SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available. Visit [www.ignitenj.org](http://www.ignitenj.org) for more information. The priority scholarship deadline is June 1. Afterward, scholarships will be awarded on a rolling basis.

## PLAN FOR IGNITE

### FAQ'S

#### **What is the IGNITE Conference?**

IGNITE is a movement with a purpose to ignite the faith of the next generation of followers of Jesus Christ through life-changing worship, relevant teachings and authentic community. Students grades 6-12 from around the region will gather in Wildwood to learn about God's calling on their lives and go deeper in their faith journey.

#### **Who can attend IGNITE?**

IGNITE is designed for students currently in grades 6-12. Youth leaders are encouraged to attend with the students they lead.

#### **Can I bring children younger than the recommended age range?**

Parents are responsible for their young children. Programming will only be geared towards students from grades 6-12. To maintain the spirit and energy of the gathering, young children will not be permitted in IGNITE activities or workshops. Childcare will not be provided.

#### **Do I need to bring money?**

In addition food available for purchase, there will be some exhibits and vendors with merchandise, t-shirts, CD's and more for sale. Group leaders can provide more wisdom about how much money students should bring.

#### **Is there a space to be in prayer and reflection?**

Of course! This year there will be prayer stations located throughout the convention center for students and leaders to be in prayer.

#### **Is communion for everyone?**

We believe in an open communion table; the table of Holy Communion is Christ's table. The table is open to anyone who seeks to respond to Christ's love and to lead a new life of peace and love. All students, volunteers and leaders will be invited to receive communion.

#### **IGNITE is sponsored by the United Methodist Church. Do I have to be Methodist to attend?**

No! Many of our speakers are not from the UMC. We are proud that the United Methodists of Greater New Jersey sponsors a high impact youth conference that connects with many Methodist Churches each year. But we aren't exclusive. Your group will be welcomed, and you probably won't realize that the event is sponsored by the UMC.

## ESTIMATED EXPENSES

### Pricing Per Person to Help with Planning:

If you book lodging at an local hotel an average of \$100 per room/per night, you can plan the following expenses per individual. Feel free to make your own calculations and share with your group. \*Does not include transportation.

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| <b>Registration:</b> | \$60 per person (early bird registration rate)    |
| <b>Lodging:</b>      | \$100 per person (2 people per room for 2 nights) |
| <b>Food:</b>         | \$90 per person                                   |
| <b>Total:</b>        | \$250 per person plus spending money              |

### LODGING

Registration for IGNITE 2019 does not include the cost of hotel. Hotel reservations are made by contacting the hotel or rental directly.

In order to help with planning your visit to IGNITE 2019, we have arranged accommodations with the recommended hotels below. These hotels are located near the Wildwoods Convention Center. To secure accommodations, please contact the hotel directly. Space is limited, so we recommend reserving your rooms as soon as possible.

#### **Adventurer Oceanfront Inn**

5401 Ocean Ave.  
Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

#### **Gondolier Oceanfront Motel**

5701 Ocean Ave.  
Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

#### **El Coronado**

8501 Atlantic Ave.  
Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

#### **Aztec Motel**

411 E. Lavender Rd.  
Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

### **AirBnB, VROB and Rentals**

There are many private rental properties and townhomes available in Wildwood, NJ. IGNITE is not able to provide private listings, but many of our groups choose to rent a townhome, condo, or home in Wildwood. For groups of 8 or more, these may be more cost effective.

### **South Seaville Camp Meeting**

The South Seaville Camp Meeting has cabins and dormitory-style accommodations 25 minutes north of the Wildwoods Convention Center and are less expensive than hotels or rentals in Wildwood.

### FOOD

The Wildwoods Convention Center does not permit visitors to enter with food from outside the center. There are many restaurants on the boardwalk and throughout Wildwood and Wildwood Crest. There is also a concession stand inside the convention center.

## PACKING LIST

Here is a suggested list of items to bring with you to IGNITE 2019:

- ✓ Registration/Confirmation page
- ✓ Spending money for students to buy merchandise
- ✓ Emergency contact information for each student
- ✓ Permission slips/Emergency Release Forms (provided by your church)
- ✓ Notebook and pen
- ✓ Bible

## AT CONFERENCE

### IGNITE SCHEDULE

#### Friday, October 4

|           |                                 |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| 5:00 p.m. | Registration and Check-In Opens |
| 8:00 p.m. | Session 1                       |
| 9:30 p.m. | Concert                         |

#### Saturday, October 5

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| 9:15 a.m.  | Small Group Time             |
| 10:00 a.m. | Session 2                    |
| 12:00 p.m. | Lunch and Small Group Time   |
| 2:00 p.m.  | Workshop #1                  |
| 3:00 p.m.  | Coffee break                 |
| 3:30 p.m.  | Workshop #2                  |
| 4:30 p.m.  | Dinner                       |
| 6:30 p.m.  | Entertainment                |
| 7:00 p.m.  | Session #3                   |
| 9:00 p.m.  | Small Group Time             |
| 9:30 p.m.  | Bonfire Concert on the Beach |

#### Sunday, October 6

|            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| 9:15 a.m.  | Small Group time |
| 10:00 a.m. | Session #4       |
| 12:00 p.m. | Adjourn          |

## AT CONFERENCE

### CHECK-IN

Registration and check-in will be open on Friday, October 4 beginning at 5:00 p.m., located at the Wildwood Convention Center front entrance. At check-in, attendees will be given a wristband which will grant access to all IGNITE events.

### DURING THE CONFERENCE

- ✓ Keep the IGNITE Magazine with the event schedule in hand
- ✓ Play games
- ✓ Visit vendors

### SESSIONS 1-4

Each session will include worship and a message. Arrive early for the best seats!

### WORKSHOPS

On Saturday afternoon, workshops are open to all participants. More info coming soon!

### MISSION COLLECTION

Donations will be collected for local missions. Be on the lookout for ways to can help!

### PARKING

Parking is FREE at the Wildwood Convention Center.

### ATTRACTIONS IN WILDWOOD

Many groups plan to arrive early or stay after the conference to enjoy the local sites and activities.

- ✓ Wildwood Boardwalk
- ✓ Seaport Aquarium
- ✓ The Doo Wop Preservation League Museum
- ✓ Cape May Zoo

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This packet will be updated on June 15 with artist lineup, small leader guide and workshops descriptions.