

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS:

Do you feel like the Church isn't "speaking" to you?

Are you a former MYF member looking for continued involvement in the Church?

Are you struggling with your faith in a new chapter of your life?

Asbury UMC wants you to know that you are NOT alone - We are here for you!

We are very excited to offer a Young Adult Bible Study (YABS) open to ALL young adults ages 18-30. Our purpose is to:

- Facilitate fellowship and community among young Christian adults,
- Foster frank, honest discussion about what we believe and why, as well as the challenges to faith that young adults encounter,
- Provide continuity between "Youth" and "Adult" ministries within the Church,
- Promote other exciting opportunities for ministry and service offered by the Church and the area's rich faith community,
- Send a clear message to our Young Adults - the Church loves, wants, and needs you!!!

YABS is led by Lucas and Julie Doucet, both lifelong members of the United Methodist Church. By being involved in Youth ministry, both as teenage MYF members and adult Youth leaders, Julie and Lucas have experienced firsthand the "Ministry Gap" that can often occur between youth and young adulthood, and feel called by God to do something about it! Julie is a graduate of Centenary College, and has been Youth Director at First, Northwood, and Asbury UMCs. Her years of experience, and heart for reaching out to young adults, make her a blessing to this congregation, and this ministry in particular. Lucas has been a volunteer with the youth groups at Asbury and Northwood UMCs, and plays in the Spiritwind band. Their faith journeys, separate and then together, have placed on their hearts a real yearning to reach out to young adults to let them know that God loves them for who they are, where they are.

YABS topics are brought to the group BY the group. We will have "round-table" type discussions on any questions or issues that any member wishes to discuss, and uncover together the scriptural and theological responses to them. Recent discussions have focused on "Who is God?". Participants can submit future topics via email, Facebook, or good old-fashioned personal contact.

Starting June 5th, YABS will meet at 9:45 AM on Sundays thru the summer, then resume meeting on Sunday nights at 7 PM in September. We are currently planning an end of summer/ back-to-school social towards the end of August; suggestions for this event, or any other aspect of this group, are always welcome. You can reach Julie and Lucas through Jan Cooke at the church office, or by email:

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Also, feel free to check out and join our Facebook group! Just search for "Asbury UMC Young Adult Bible Study".