

Warrington YOUTH FOR CHRIST

**Rachel shares
about the start
to a new school
year, and an
exciting
mission week...**



Rachel Harper **Birchwood**

"To prepare for the school year, we went to British Youth for Christ's Schools Work Conference. This gave us an opportunity to meet other youth workers from YFC centres and outside agencies to learn from one another, encourage each other, and pray together. As a team we went to a seminar called "A Theology of Mission", where we explored scripture and were reminded why we do what we do. One reminder that particularly stuck out to me was the idea that God is at work in the world already. We don't take God to the young people we meet at school or our projects, instead we are there to help young people see and recognise what God is already doing in their lives.

Acts 17:27 (ESV) says that "they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way towards Him and find Him. Yet He is actually not far from each one of us." When I read this verse it conjures up an image of someone walking in the dark with their arms outstretched, trying to find the light switch - their fingertips within touching distance. Our job as youth workers is to help guide young people on their way out of the darkness and into the light, for them to be able to see God and get



Over the summer we saw just that! We did a mission week where we explored the gospel with a youth group from Yorkshire on summer camp. Over the four sessions we discussed the 4 Points; God loves me, I have sinned, Jesus died for me, and I need to decide to live for God. During the last session we did a Q&A, shared our testimonies, and gave young people an opportunity to make a decision to follow Jesus. That morning, 4 young people boldly stood in front of their peers and chose to follow Jesus. This is what we want more of!

PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray for the 4 young people who responded to the gospel at the summer mission week
2. Pray also for the YFC team - that we would be encouraged and equipped to reach more young people

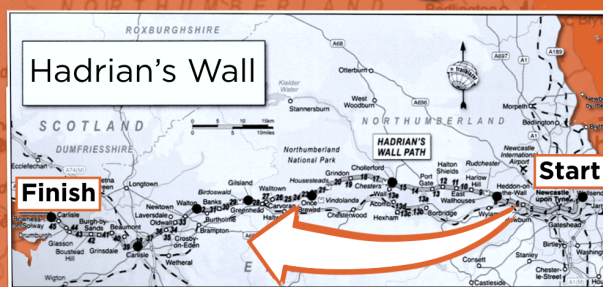
ACADEMY

We are excited to announce the launch of our Young Leader's Academy! This group is for young people to grow in faith, be nurtured in their own calling, and serve in their local communities. We want to **involve young people in the mission to reach young people.**

Many young people who want to know Jesus better, but going to church on a Sunday isn't an option for them. Many young people have a faith and want to put it into action. Many young people simply want to belong and make a difference in the world - the Academy is a place for them.

Launch Day: **Thursday 27th October**
For more info, e-mail: **kim@warrington.yfc.co.uk**

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