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Dear Youth Pastor,

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School has started which means it is the time to make plans to attend **Converge 2020!** The North Texas Youth Convention will return to SAGU in Waxahachie, Texas, on January 3-4, 2020.

We are extremely excited about the ministry team that is joining us for Converge 2020! We will kick off Converge with special guest artist **Fedel. David Rosenblum** and his team will lead us in worship throughout Convention. The Friday evening session will feature a powerful word from **Pastor Reggie Dabbs**. Pastor Reggie has been a traveling public speaker to students for over 30 years. He will bring a powerful message of salvation Friday evening, and will encourage students to live out their faith in a way that changes the world. On Saturday morning, **Pastor Eric Hoffman**, National Speed the Light Director, will challenge students and leaders in one of the areas he is most passionate: MISSIONS. The final service will feature the ministry of our very own **Pastor Kyle Embry**. As our Youth Alive Director for North Texas, Kyle has a gift to set students' hearts on fire for their homes, schools, and communities. Your group will leave Converge pumped to take on the challenge of reaching their friends for Jesus.

New this year! For every one of your students who attends Converge, we are offering **free registration** to an unsaved or unchurched friend (referred to as "friends scholarship"). Please challenge your students to begin to pray about their unsaved friend who they will invite to join them at Converge 2020. I also encourage you to be creative in finding ways that your church might assist with transportation and lodging expenses for these unsaved friends. Our goal is to help your student ministry grow spiritually and numerically this year!

Lakeview cabins/lodges or a few hotels are available for you to use for Friday night. If you are traveling from a longer distance and would like to stay Thursday night before Converge, please email us at youth@northtexas.ag for additional accommodations. If you register for either Lakeview options, NTYM will make reservations for your group. If you register for Converge Only, you are welcome to use our hotel blocks by requesting "Converge Pricing" at either the Fairfield or Hampton in Waxahachie. Several other hotels and restaurants are just a short drive away. Your reservations should be made ASAP, or prior to the release dates (November 2th) in order to receive the Converge2020 rates that are offered on a first come – first served basis. Registration, Consent forms, Pricing, and promo material can be found on our website at ntym.org.

Please complete ONE online registration for your church. We only require numbers per gender and totals for the Friend Scholarship per church. Registration must be completed & payment postmarked by Monday, December 2nd to receive the On Time price. The cost for leaders and students is the same. Any payment not postmarked by December 2 and any additions to previous registrations will pay the Late price. Fees are **non-refundable** if your attendance numbers decrease after December 2, 2019. **Registration for Lakeview Cabins and Lodging will close on December 29, 2019.** **Converge Only Registration** may be added after the deadline at check in on Friday, January 3rd. No changes will be made to registrations from 12/30/19 – 1/2/20. Enjoy your New Years!

When you arrive to the Schaeffer center at SAGU, **please have only yourself or another designated leader come to the upstairs lobby of Schaeffer for check in.** This helps avoid confusion and speeds the check-in process. We will open check-in at 9:30 A.M. on Friday, January 3rd. At that time, you may pick up your lanyards, keys if staying at LV, and pay any remaining balance for your group. See you at Converge 2020 in Waxahachie!

Working together,
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