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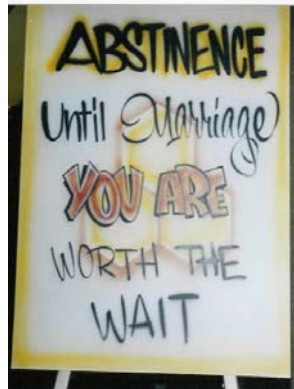
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Let’s Talk About Sex

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Abstinence Rally



On April 9, 2005 four teens representing New Life Fellowship Church attended the 2nd Annual Abstinence Rally. Those four teens were La’Toya Coan, Jessica Seaman, Ronald Spencer, and myself Samuel Seaman. The abstinence Rally is an annual event given by the “Facts Project”. The importance of abstinence was spread through dance, songs, plays, spoken word, and also a special performance from the Gates-Chili female step team. It was a spectacular afternoon. Pastor Bernard McNeill (Youth Pastor at New Life Fellowship) and his wife Tina McNeill were in attendance. They helped to organize and facilitate the event. Pastor McNeill gave away prizes that included a MP3 player, a PSP and much more.

The speakers of this rally were Rodrick Glover also known as ‘Roger The Motivator’, and City of Rochester’s Chief of Staff Marisol O. Lopez. Both of these great speakers spoke about the importance of abstinence.

Marisol Lopez gave her testimony of how she went from an unpopular high school student, to Rochester’s Chief of Staff. Marisol is happily married with a child and one on the way. ‘Roger The Motivator’ gave a few motivational statements through out his speech that I feel every one should hear. (Reworded by Samuel Seaman). *Sex is a gift, and Christmas is the marriage. If someone were to open the gift before Christmas, when Christmas comes the gift isn’t as special as that gift should be. A person’s life is a movie, and that person is the director. No one can stop you from reaching your goals except you. What a person practices is what that person will apply in there life.*



It was truly a great rally. Those who didn’t make it this year I look forward to seeing you next year. For more information about Abstinence and the Facts Project go to www.thefactsproject.org.

Attention

Youth On The Move is looking for youth to fill positions of Photographers, Interviewers, and Associate Editor. If you or another youth you know would be interested contact:

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“Let’s Talk About Sex” Youth Summit



On Saturday, May 14, 2005 at New Life Fellowship a teen summit took place entitled “Let’s Talk About Sex”. For some parents it is hard to talk about sex to their teen but on the flip side some teens feel really uncomfortable talking about sex to adults.

So where does that leave the teen? In my opinion that is an even more dangerous place for a teen to be because it leaves them open to anything and everything someone says. That means Billy from down the block and/ or Jan from a cross the street is filling your teen’s mind with all kinds of things

about sex. Because Mary Ann’s parents where so involved with themselves and their jobs or was uncomfortable with talking about it, Mary Ann now has a child and a STD for life. Ignorance is not an excuse.

The people at New Life Fellowship Church understand that and where there to make sure they talk to the youth about sex. To start the summit off the youth were given a time to introduce themselves and receive some refreshments. Then they were given their materials and the agenda for the day. Dr. Joann McGriff, Executive Director of Family Restoration Project started the event out in prayer. After everyone got settled they broke the teens up into small groups according to gender. The Small groups were mainly for the group Leaders to find out what everyone knew about the topic, and to give the teens some time to share information.

Then there was a quick cool down period for everybody to gather his or her thoughts. Then we jumped right back into the program when Marla Fugate spoke about what the Bible

says about sex, being yoked to someone and life partners. Last but not least was the question and answer

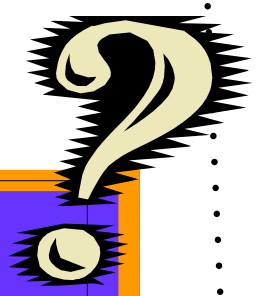
segment with 4 panelists who answered any and all questions boldly and honestly. The Panelists were Regina Seaman, Brandon McGriff, Minister Derrick Sowell, and Stephanie Wilson, all members of New Life Fellowship.



Over all the youth thought it was the best summit they have been to and found it very informational. Some learned things they did not know and some said they would come again.



QUESTION OF THE MONTH.



Do You Want to Be A Statistic ?

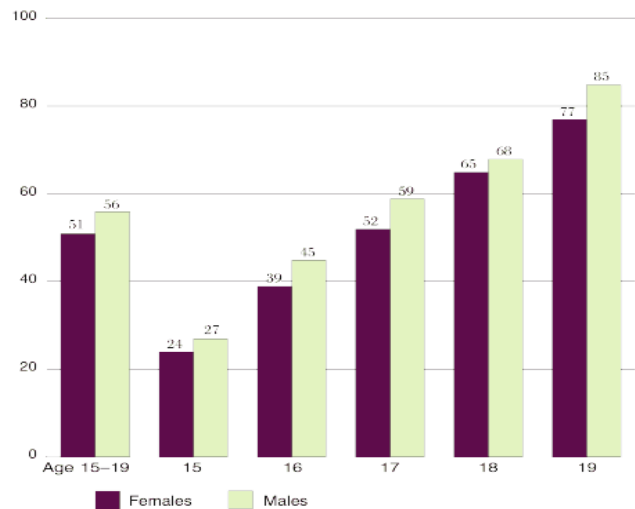
SEXUAL ACTIVITY Revised 9/1999

• Most very young teens have not had intercourse: 8 in 10 girls and 7 in 10 boys are sexually inexperienced at age 15.

• While 93% of teenage women report that their first intercourse was voluntary, one-quarter of these young women report that it was unwanted.

• The younger women are when they first have intercourse, the more likely they are to have had that intercourse involuntarily.

Nearly two-thirds (64%) of sexually active 15-17-year-old women have partners who are within two years of their age; 29% have sexual partners who are 3-5 years older, and 7% have partners who are six or more years older



Most sexually active young men have female partners close to their age: 76% of the partners of 19-year-old men are either 17 (33%) or 18 (43%); 13% are 16, and 11% are aged 13-15.

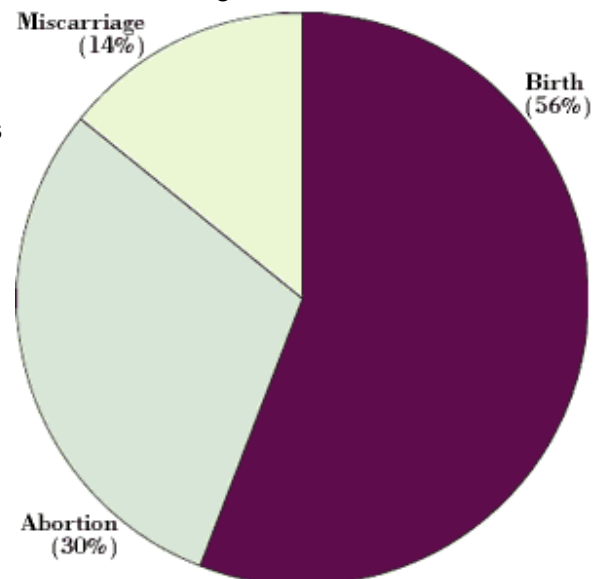
Teen Pregnancy Outcomes

More than half (56%) of the 905,000 teenage pregnancies in 1996 ended in births (2/3 of which were unplanned).

Every year 3 million teens (about 1 in 4 sexually experienced teens) acquire an STD.

Teens have higher rates of gonorrhea than do sexually active men and women aged 20-44

The overall U.S. teenage pregnancy rate declined 17% between 1990 and 1996, from 117 pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 15-19 to 97 per 1,000 women aged 15-19.



Sources: 1995 National Survey of Family Growth and 1995 National Survey of Adolescent Males

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FRP Mission

Family Restoration Project [FRP] is committed to the restoration, reconciliation and well being of multi-cultural urban families in the city of Rochester. To this end we have identified a need to focus on producing holistic social, behavioral, and educational programs for youth between the ages of 13—21yrs.

The purpose of this newsletter is to enlighten, share, encourage, and highlight the achievements of Rochester's Youth.

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