



Ocean City Youth Conference



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# Participant, you?

## DEAR FRIENDS AND FAMILY,

It was difficult to register youth, recruit chaperones, and secure funding for the trip. In addition, the kids struggled to arrive on time for the bus, give up cell phones, and sacrifice a beautiful weekend with friends. They did not

recognize the blessing that was to be upon them prior to the event!

“Your scars do not define you!” shares Kechi from America’s Got Talent (pictured above). Her emotional story commanded attention: surviving a plane crash, managing pain, suffering great loss, and living with permanent scars. The experience was a blessing for all.

Members of our group were **made new**, **restored**, and **reconciled** to our Lord! (See explanation on right.) Yes, there were speakers, musicians, artists, bus drivers, etc. who made this happen...BUT there are many who never get the credit. Our support team is more than 75 people. They are

- those who are committed to praying for individuals by name,
- those who sacrificially give towards scholarships,
- and those who give up a weekend to spend with kids!

Why? Because it is worth the sacrifice. 1 Timothy 4:10 explains **“godliness has value for all things.”**

**God invites us to be investors and participants in His Gospel.** This event is just one example. If you haven’t already, you can still participate.

Whether you pray, volunteer, or give, you are on the team and give glory to the Father! That is why we labor and strive! **CINDY**

Pray at [oneinprayer.org](http://oneinprayer.org). Contact me or see insert for opportunities.



Physical training is of some value, but **godliness has value for all things**, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.... **That is why we labor and strive**, because we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all people, and especially of those who believe.

1 Timothy 4:8, 10

On Saturday night, our group sat in a quiet place together as I described the following:

**Made New:** We become a new creation when we accept Christ’s love and forgiveness and live accordingly. Made new to a transformed life with Christ.

**Restored:** Like a silver coffee set that has been in the back of my cabinet, I found and set out in a prominent place in my home...restored to its true value.

**Reconciled:** Like relatives who have not spoken in many years, reuniting with one embrace the sorrow of lost time and joy of renewed relationship. Reconciled to God from our broken and separated relationship.