



October Letter 2009

Dear Teen Leaders and Parents,

THANKS SO MUCH for a wonderful retreat, a beautiful quilt, and life-long memories of why I love the Teen Leaders! If you haven't gone to the blog yet, do it now! Pictures of the quilt and Teen Leaders are there! Go to www.tomorrowspresent.org and click on "Lisa's Health Update." Then click on the blog from there; the blog link is toward the bottom of the page.

The October View

Our next meeting is **OCTOBER 24.** Drawing is at **8:15 AM.**
Come early to get something to eat and have a chance to get settled...

We will have lunch at 12:30... **Birthday celebrations at 1:00...**

Teen Scholars are required to stay until **3:00.**

Support Teens who will be attending Pebbles on Nov. 13 are also required to stay **until 3:00.**
Otherwise, Support Teens are free to go after the birthday celebrations and affirmations are finished.

Things to Consider:

1. Pebbles of Peace is an outstanding program... youth from all over the Milwaukee area attend. It's a great experience for all participants; even more meaningful for Teen Leaders who are table leaders. Support Teens: if you are not certain whether or not you will attend Pebbles (and stay late for the Oct/Nov meetings) , discuss it with your mentor group leader! At the October meeting, each Teen Leader will receive a packet of information about Pebbles; it includes a letter you can give to your son/daughter's school principal to document the reason for their absence on November 13 from school.
2. Last time, we asked each Teen Leader how many Christmas jars they will try to get donations for. In October, please come prepared to bring these home – with boxes, bags, etc. and packing materials. Before the next meeting, we will email to each Teen Leader a flyer with his/her picture on it, so everyone has an appropriate flyer.
3. We will ask the Teen Leaders to give us the name, age, and contact information for their "mentor buddies" at this meeting. Please be sure to bring that information with you. This will involve the younger person (in grades 4-7 more or less) to attend three events: The Christmas party on Dec. 19 (12:00 noon – 2:30 at House of Peace), the afternoon of March 20 (12:00 noon – 2:30 at House of Peace), and our Showcase of Leadership at Cardinal Stritch on April 25 (3:00 – 4:30). *These times are approximate...* we'll have a more accurate update in future letters.

The Longer View

November – We will have a typical meeting, on November 7 from 8:30-3:00; the afternoon again being spent on prep for Pebbles. The actual Pebbles program will take place on Friday, November 13. We hold it on a school day, because community leaders come for lunch, and it's easier for them to come during a work day.

December – We usually have a Christmas "banquet" that day and we draw names in November, so each Teen Leader gives an inexpensive gift (\$10 or less) to another Teen Leader. This year, we will also be giving presents to our mentor buddies, who will join us for lunch.

This Month's Questions

Call/email your mentor group leader between Oct 16-21 with the answers to these questions:

- #1. Did you receive the October email and letter? Is any information incorrect?
- #2. Do you have the name, age and contact information for your mentor buddy? **Bring it to the meeting!**
- #3. Support Teens: Are you planning to go to Pebbles? You will need to know before the October meeting!
- #4. Will you remember to bring bags/boxes for your **Christmas jars?**

Those of you at schools or churches that have craft fairs... Find out when they are and staff a table with our jars!

If you need the jars BEFORE our October meeting, just come to House of Peace and get them.
Call ahead of time -- they are stored in the boxes in the basement – where we stacked them in August.

Name	Plan	How many		Name	Plan	How many
Compassion				Friendship		
Becca	Friends and Mom's coworkers	10		Lucero	Mom's workplace	15-20
Francis	Neighbors, church, school	10		Keyon	School, friends, family, church	12
Joana	Family and friends	5		Steven	Still working on it	?
Mykiliah	Church	10		Aqueelah	Still working on it	?
Love				Inspiration		
Arthur	Church and school	10		Kayla	Mom's workplace, family	15-20
Jasmine	Family members	10		Sun	Grandad's and mom's workplace	10-15
Dauson	Friends and family	10		Khalil	Various places	10
Beatriz	Family, friends, mentor	10		Fernando	Family, friends, school	10

Call Lisa with any concerns you may have... 414-545-6006... or email her at Lisa@tomorrowspresent.org.
We look forward to a wonderful year with the Teen Leaders! **(Ralph's cell phone for retreat: 412-5842)**

Lisa Calderone Ralph Stewart Dominique McGee Gerri Sheets-Howard

Enclosures: ● Agenda ● Prayer ● Mentor Buddy information

Groups:	COMPASSION	INSPIRATION	LOVE	FRIENDSHIP
Seniors:	Rebecca (leader)		Arthur (leader)	Aqueelah
Juniors:	Joana	Fernando (leader)	Beatriz	Steven (leader)
		Sun		
Sophomores:	Francis	Kayla	Dauson	Keyon
Freshmen/women:	Mykiliah	Khalil	Jasmine	Lucero