

The Strength to Stand Student Bible Conferences are designed to offer a well-balanced, intense conference that will challenge your students to go beyond the surface of casual Christianity and foster them into a lifetime commitment to Jesus Christ. Born of a vision to see thousands of students congregating in the Great Smoky Mountains, these conferences are designed for students yearning for a deeper, more effective relationship with Christ. In addition to discipleship, students will be given the opportunity to respond to the Gospel. We make no apology in confronting lost students with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The conferences are under the supervision of the Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association, Inc., which is recognized by the IRS as a nonprofit organization. Since 1987, this Association has been actively involved in conference ministries throughout the United States.

conference attendees...

The conferences target students from sixth grade through college. Due to insurance regulations, it is SDEA's policy to require each person to be in the sixth grade *or* at least twelve years of age. Because we try to effectively minister to such a wide range of students, please refrain from bringing younger children unless you acquire special permission from SDEA.

meals...

After the conference fee is paid, the only expense your group will have is meals. You have two options for mealtime:

- A. Many fine and fast food restaurants are located within a seven-mile radius of the conference center. During designated times for meals, your church will be responsible for your group's transportation to and from the eating establishment.
- B. There are many restaurants that deliver. Please remember there may be an additional charge for delivery. Though room service is available on a cash basis, there will be no charging to any room.

To see dining options for Pigeon Forge, go to the Pigeon Forge Visitor's website at www.mypigeonforge.com.

The Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association has no involvement with any meal plan.

counselors...

SDEA requires that for the first three (3) students of the same gender, one (1) counselor of that gender must be present. Then, for every five (5) students of the same gender at least one (1) counselor is required. We encourage you to bring as many counselors as possible.

A counselor should be mature, a member of your church, a Christian, at least 21 years of age, and should be balanced according to genders. You must have one counselor highlighted as the person in charge of your group. Unless otherwise noted, this will be the Student Minister. Please choose your counselors wisely.

the services...

The worship services will revolve around encouraging students to incorporate their faith into everyday life. Your students will be challenged to be bold in their faith by drawing on the strength of fellow believers. In every service, you will experience praise and worship music that will fill your heart with passion. Everyone will be challenged by one of our powerful speakers as they are impacted by the real and relevant messages these men and women deliver.

We suggest you use the evenings to continue worship in a small group atmosphere. **“Church Time”** is designed for your group to gather and share. God will move in your group during the conference, so take advantage of this time by sharing laughs, tears, prayers and experiences together. You choose the location and setting that best suits your group.

At the Strength to Stand Student Bible Conferences, you will enjoy the most proven, competent Christian personalities of our day. We are constantly working to truly make this a "life-changing" conference. We must take time and acknowledge that only God can work like this.

the theme...

In a culture where students are falling off the grid in record numbers and student ministries are crashing into the trails of their own self identity, there is an unwavering mission that was issued nearly 2000 years ago by the architect of life himself. “Go and make disciples.” (Matt. 28:19) It was a mission that would leave no room for doubt as to our purpose and reason for being here. A mission that would leave no allowance for hiding out in the shadows or withdrawing in fear. This mission has been the light for God’s people down through the dark ages of time. It has been the driving energy behind the greatest world wide movement the man has ever seen. It is this mission that men and women have literally laid down their lives to see that calling fulfilled in their lifetime. Now it is our turn make our presence known. Now is our time to initiate the same courageous behavior as Peter did on the day of Pentecost. He chose to Emerge and Engage the crowd. He chose to raise his voice over the static noise of his day. We must choose the same. We must emerge from the shadows of our comfort zones and engage the world we live in with the truth of God's Word that will no doubt shake the very foundations of anybody's existence. Join us as we seek to eliminate the confusion of why we are here.

Strength to Stand Student Bible Conference

Southeastern Student Bible Conference

The 21st annual Southeastern Student Bible Conference in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee is scheduled for December 27-29, 2011, which will coincide with the Christmas break of most schools. The conference will be held at the Country Tonite Theater in Pigeon Forge. A year-round tourist resort area, Pigeon Forge has opened its arms to meet our every need.

This Conference will be one of the most exciting times you will ever remember. During our time together, you will be encouraged, challenged, and strengthened by some of the most effective ministers of our day such as: Scott Dawson, Dave Edwards, David Nasser, and Joey Hill. You will experience amazing concerts by Tenth Avenue North and KJ-52. And, to top it all off, your students will experience powerful worship and a concert led by Kristian Stanfill.

accommodations...

The conference will be held at the Country Tonite Theater. Conveniently, your students will be housed in hotels around the Sevierville/Pigeon Forge area. All of the hotels are nice facilities and most include a continental breakfast. When you send in your registration, you may list your top three choices for hotels. We always do our best to accommodate your request. The hotels for the 2011 SESBC are:

Best Western Plaza Inn
Best Western Toni Inn
Oaktree Lodge
Pigeon River Inn
River Bend Inn
Spirit of the Smokies Lodge
The Inn on the River

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SCOTT DAWSON, Evangelist - Scott Dawson has been preaching the Gospel since he was a teenager. The ministry that began with simple testimonials and youth rallies has grown into an evangelistic association that reaches across age and denomination lines in evangelistic efforts to offer a unifying message of hope: the Good News of Jesus Christ. Scott makes it a priority to keep his presentations real, innovative, and contemporary. Scott is the author of *Dear Lord Why?*, *The Complete Evangelism Guidebook*, *Evangelism Today* and in 2011, released his fourth book, *Tug*. Scott lives in his hometown of Birmingham, Alabama, with his wife, Tarra, son, Hunter, and daughter, Hope.

DAVID NASSER, Speaker – Part speaker, author, visionary and ALL minister, David Nasser's greatest passion is to connect people to the living God. David uses relevant methods to communicate the life-changing messages of the gospel to more than 700,000 people annually. He, his wife, Jennifer, their son, Rudy, and daughter, Grace, live in Birmingham, Alabama.

JOEY HILL, Speaker - Joey is a graduate of Samford University with a degree in Business. He served as a Student Pastor for over ten years until God called him to be a student evangelist. God has used Joey all over the country to help students shed defeated lives for the Glory of God through conferences, camps, revivals and missions. Joey serves in the Conference Department at SDEA developing relationships and mentoring student ministers. He, his wife, Brownie, their sons Maxon and Tyson and daughters Hope and Ivey live in Warrior, Alabama where Joey serves as Senior Pastor of High Point Community Church.

DAVE EDWARDS, Speaker – Dave describes himself as an "itinerant postmodern pastor". For more than a decade, he has been sharing his unique brand of ministry to a postmodern generation, as he speaks more than 500 times each year to over 250,000 people. Dave speaks from his heart about issues relevant to the postmodern generation. Regardless of the setting, Dave's message is simple: helping people to discover the importance of a Christ-centered lifestyle and reintroduce the truth of God's Word by meeting people where they are in life and bringing them one step closer in the process of knowing and becoming like Jesus Christ. He has authored 14 books and resides in Oklahoma City.

TENTH AVENUE NORTH, Concert – Rarely has a new band delivered an album with more emotional punch than Tenth Avenue North. Musically inventive and lyrically compelling, the collection helped earn the band the New Artist of the Year accolade at the 2009 Dove Awards. Needless to say its 2010 follow up album was one of the most highly anticipated albums of the year. With one listen to *The Light Meets The Dark* it is obvious Mike Donehey, Jeff Owen and Jason Jamison are taking a bold step forward on their musical journey. Once again the songs are poignant and powerful, and in recording the new tunes, the band brings a more seasoned level of musicianship and intensity, honed from relentless touring. Donehey says, "I'm not trying to blow people's minds. I'm trying to take them to the next step. 'Over and Underneath' is a call for the gospel. This next record is more like 'Okay, now if you believe that, let people see how messed up you are. Are you ready to confess? Are you ready to have all your masks taken away?' That ability to challenge audiences to a deeper walk of faith while simultaneously encouraging them with the truth of God's grace has propelled Tenth Avenue North to the forefront of the Christian music industry.

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Smoky Mountain Student Bible Conference

The 18th annual Smoky Mountain Student Bible Conference is scheduled for January 14-16, 2012, which will coincide with the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday of schools in most states. The conference will be held at the Smoky Mountain Palace, Country Tonite Theater, and the Miracle Theater in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. We will also take a one-night road trip to Sevierville, TN. On Sunday night, all three venues will come together at the Sevierville Events Center at Bridgemont to enjoy worship with The Skit Guys and two exciting concerts with LeCrae and Newsboys!

The conference will be one of the most exciting times you will ever remember. During the weekend you will be encouraged, challenged and strengthened by some of the most effective ministers of our day such as: Scott Dawson, The Skit Guys, David Nasser and Ergun Caner. To top it all off, your students will participate in worship led by Aaron Keyes, Rush of Fools, and Kristian Stanfill and have a concert with KJ-52.

The conference will be divided into two groups, Alpha and Omega. We are using two individual schedules in order to maximize our meeting space. We will try and meet your request for a specific group; however, it is important to remember that everything we do is based on first come, first served.

A year-round tourist resort area, Pigeon Forge has opened its arms to meet our every need. Your group will have plenty of free time to enjoy the sites of the city. We recommend that you plan ahead for your Sunday afternoon free time. Your group will have the entire afternoon to explore Pigeon Forge or the streets of Gatlinburg, play laser tag, shop, see Ober-Gatlinburg or just rest in your room.

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ERGUN CANER, Speaker – Raised as the son of a devout Muslim, Caner converted to Christianity along with his two brothers. His younger brother, Dr. Emir Caner, is president of the Truett-McConnell Baptist College in Cleveland, Georgia.

Caner taught at Liberty University from 2003-2011, and has co-authored such books as *Unveiling Islam*, *Why Churches Die* and *When Worldviews Collide*. He also co-edited the *Popular Encyclopedia of Apologetics* with Ed Hindson. He has a Masters degree from The Criswell College, a Master of Divinity and a Master of Theology from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Doctor of Theology from the University of South Africa. In May 2011, Arlington Baptist College called Dr. Caner as Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs. Along with his administrative duties, Caner will also teach Theology, Church History and Apologetics.

THE SKIT GUYS, Entertainment – Tommy Woodard and Eddie James are The Skit Guys. They have been best friends since high school. Think of them as the wise guys in class who had everyone laughing and managed to make a career out of it. They've been teaching God's word using comedy, drama and whatever category talking action figures fit into for over twenty years. They recently released two new books through Zondervan called, *Instant Skits* and *Skits That Teach*.

NEWSBOYS, Concert – Genesis, Petra, Van Halen. They all did it. Many legendary acts have introduced a new lead singer amidst their career without missing a beat. So when newsboys announced that dc Talk vocalist Michael Tait would take over for exiting front man Peter Furler—after a natural period of surprise—the band and its fans alike began to relish the positives and possibilities of this fresh start. And all signs would point to a phrase loaded with creative and spiritual significance that has become the title of newsboys' next album, *Born Again*. Of course, Tait hardly needs an introduction. While newsboys charted 25 No. 1 pop hits, sold six million records, and helped Christian music gain mainstream acceptance, dc Talk was doing the same with GRAMMY-winning sets like *Jesus Freak*. Combining the strengths of these two groups now is clearly good reason for excitement. In all, newsboys collectively view *Born Again* as representative of everything the band has gone through this past year—standing at a crossroads where human reason might suggest closing up shop, but bold faith would compel these four men to trust in God's plan for them and their listeners through the power of music.

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LECRAE – CONCERT - An unlikely story stands behind the man known to many as 'Lecrae'. Born and raised by his mother, in a poor community, Lecrae Moore moved around a lot, giving him the versatile background and cultural awareness he carries with him. Along the way, like many in the inner city, he took to rapping as a way of communicating his thoughts. It wasn't until after high school that his hobby became a passion, and Jesus Christ redeemed his Hip-Hop background. The next five years included many struggles and victories before he teamed up to found Reach Records, releasing his first album at the age of 25. As Lecrae continued to make his mark in the music industry, he realized the stage wasn't enough. He wanted to see a deeper impact in urban culture. There needed to be a culturally relevant and biblically solid resource center to help train the next generation, so he co-founded ReachLife Ministries in 2005. The non-profit organization exists to partner with other organizations in equipping local leaders with culturally relevant tools and media projects designed to strengthen communities with the word of God. Since then, Lecrae has released the groundbreaking album *After the Music Stops* and the first Christian Rap album to ever sit in the No. 1 position on Billboard's Top Gospel Charts--*Rebel*. Lecrae now resides in Atlanta, GA with his wife and 2 children. He and his wife are small group leaders at Blueprint Church. With three successful albums to his name, touring worldwide along with the 116 Clique, and inspiring a generation of young believers across the globe, Lecrae is humbled by his position in leading others towards Christ.

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AARON KEYES, Worship Leader — Aaron has served as the worship pastor at Grace Fellowship Church in Georgia for the past seven years. His heart is to restore the Word of God to the foundation of corporate worship, and to see a shift in the next generation of worship leaders (who lead songs) to becoming more biblically empowered worship pastors (who lead people). Four months out of the year, Aaron has younger worship pastors living in his home as part of an intensive worship discipleship course, involving daily teaching, mentoring, coaching, and community. Aaron's band travels internationally, leading worship and coaching worship leaders as the Lord gives opportunity. Aaron and his wife, Megan, have four sons – Cooper, Judah, Nyle, and Linen.

RUSH OF FOOLS, Worship Leaders/Concert – Given the opportunity, Kevin Huguley will rattle off the personal accomplishments of his bandmates - lead vocalist/songwriter Wes Willis, guitarist J.D. Frazier, bassist Jacob Chesnut and drummer Jamie Sharpe - right alongside the professional ones his Alabama-based band has gone through. Because it's that intertwining of the internal and the external that made Rush of Fools' self-titled debut (and monster hit "Undo," ASCAP's most-played Christian song of 2007) so approachable and embraceable by a now legion of fans. That fusion carries over into the band's second full-length release, *Wonder of the World*. "As we've been playing the title song already, we'll usually stop in the middle of it and talk about the lines 'Father, how can it be that you are Father to me?' as well as all the other things mentioned: Savior, Healer, one who shows favor on me," Willis says. "He's been so faithful to us, and at the very least, we should be that back to Him." Huguley concurs with his bandmate and co-writer. "We should be asking those questions in the song, because we don't deserve those things He's given us, but that's what makes it so wonderful."

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All Seasons Suites
Best Western Greenbrier Inn
Best Western Plaza Inn
Best Western Toni Inn
Comfort Inn Apple Valley
Comfort Inn Dollywood Lane
Country Cascades
Econolodge Riverside
Fairfield Inn
Governor's Inn
Hampton Inn and Suites
Music Road Inn
Oaktree Lodge
Pigeon River Inn
Quality Inn Dollywood Lane
Ramada Inn
Ramada Limited
River Bend Inn
Shular Inn
Spirit of Smokies Lodge
The Inn on the River
Wilderness Lodge

refund policy...

90-365 days out- SDEA will offer a full refund minus a \$40 per person administration fee. No questions asked.

46-89 days out- SDEA will offer a half refund minus \$40 per person administration fee.

45 days out- No refunds unless approved by SDEA. The following are acceptable reasons for a refund: (1) A person is unable to attend due to medical conditions. A signed statement from a medical doctor advising the person not to attend the conference must be presented with a letter of request. The letter from the doctor must be written for the sole purpose of requesting the refund and/or the dates of the conference must be mentioned in the time period forbidding travel by the person registered for the conference. If the person is hospitalized on any day of the conference, a letter from the hospital showing the dates of hospitalization shall serve in place of a letter from a medical doctor. (2) Death of an immediate family member. The immediate family shall be defined as parents, step-parents, grandparents, children, step-children, grandchildren, sisters, step-sisters, brothers, step-brothers, aunts or uncles. This policy does not apply to cousins. A copy of the obituary showing the date must be attached to the refund request. In cases where the obituary does not show the family relationship, a letter from a pastor or funeral director handling the services must be attached to the refund request. (3) A person is married to an individual who meets the criteria of (1) or (2) above. (4) The requirement of a governing school body of a registered individual to attend classes. (5) Service on jury duty or active military duty by a registered individual. Documentation of proof of the above situations may be required before a refund will be issued. (6) A pastor or paid church staff member is required to participate in a funeral service during the conference. An obituary or a letter from a funeral director of officiating minister stating the person's involvement in the funeral must be attached to the refund request. The refund will be minus a \$40 per person administration fee.

- ◆ Each refund date is counted back from the opening day of each conference.
- ◆ The person making the original registration or the designated group leader must make all refund requests.
- ◆ The refund check or certificate will be made payable to the party upon whom the original registration check was drawn. No refund can be issued until at least fifteen (15) days after the deposit of the original check.
- ◆ All group accounts must be paid in full before refunds can be made to any person in the group. Such refunds shall be credited to the account of the group.
- ◆ Rules and regulations are subject to change without notice.
- ◆ The conference office must receive any required documentation before the end of thirty (30) days after the close of the conference.
- ◆ All refunds will be paid within 30 days after the event.
- ◆ All requests for refunds must be in writing and sent to:

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national disaster cancellation policy...

Since SDEA began, we have always followed through with hosting planned events. We are committed to continuing to do so. However, in these uncertain times post-9/11, a national disaster or act of terror could render us both unable to host a planned event and unable to return your deposits. We hire staff, purchase equipment, and rent non-refundable facilities based on your reservations. Please be advised that if a SDEA event is cancelled due to such extraordinary circumstances, we cannot refund the \$70 registration fee regardless of other published cancellation dates and deadlines.

what about snow...

As you know, the conferences will be held in resort cities in the Smoky Mountain regions. As such, snow is not unusual for these areas. **The conference will only be cancelled in the unlikely event that the roads inside Pigeon Forge are closed for the entire three days of the conference.** If an event is hosted as scheduled and your group cancels or reduces numbers due to weather conditions, all payments are non-refundable. If we are unable to host an event due to weather conditions, the \$70 registration fee cannot be refunded. Refunds of final balance payments will be made only if properties and/or locations refund SDEA for these costs. For your peace of mind, please know we have never had to cancel an event due to snow.

the cost...

Low Prices!!

We will be providing some of the most enjoyable, entertaining, and inspiring activities possible during a two-night, three-day event. The conference is priced according to occupancy:

Standard Housing: (Southeastern and Smoky Mountain)

5 per room.....\$109 per person
4 per room.....\$109 per person
3 per room.....\$119 per person
2 per room.....\$139 per person

Deluxe Housing (Smoky Mountain Conference only):

4 per room.....\$139 per person
3 per room.....\$169 per person
2 per room.....\$209 per person
SOLD OUT IN 2011

*Wilderness Lodge is our deluxe housing package. Please see special prices on the Summary Registration Form. This property is connected to the Sevierville Events Center. Price includes conference, passes to the hotel indoor waterpark, free parking and all other hotel amenities (does NOT include continental breakfast).

For persons not staying at a conference hotel, there is a \$75 per person conference fee. This rate is not subject to the early-bird discount.

Remember: You may reserve spots at the conference by paying a non-refundable deposit of \$50 per person.

However, you must be paid in full by October 17, 2011 (SE) or October 31, 2011 (SM) to receive the \$20 per person discount.

Southeastern Student Bible Conference registrations postmarked on or before October 17, 2011 will receive a \$20 per person discount. Any registrations postmarked after December 7, 2011 will incur a \$5 per person late fee. All fees are transferable. Changes must be made known to SDEA no later than 24 hours prior to arrival.

Smoky Mountain Student Bible Conference registrations postmarked on or before October 31, 2011, will receive a \$20 per person discount. Registrations postmarked after December 23, 2011 will incur a \$5 late fee per person. All fees are transferable. Changes must be made known to SDEA no later than 24 hours prior to arrival.

to register...

Thank you for taking the first step in registering for the Strength to Stand Student Bible Conferences. Due to insurance and safety regulations, special identification badges will be given to all attendees. Have each person attending fill out the proper registration form included on the DVD. They are marked differently for students and counselors. Fill out the summary sheet and group leader agreement for the entire group. Make sure that you include your group's rooming list with your check. **The hotel will not recognize your group as "registered**

guests” without a completed rooming list. Send all forms, along with one check for your deposit or total amount payable to the Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association, Inc., to:

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We will receive registrations until we reach our maximum capacity of meeting space. You may fax your reservation, including your American Express, Discover, Visa or MasterCard number to 205.833.9138, or register online at www.strengthtostand.com. **Please note that credit card charges have a 1.5% surcharge.** Any payments received within 30 days of the conference are **ONLY** payable by church check, money order, cash, Discover/Visa/MasterCard or American Express.

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. Upon check-in, some rooms may not be ready to be occupied until after registration. The cities of Pigeon Forge have tourists year-round, therefore the housekeeping personnel may be behind schedule.
2. All schedules are tentative. Be assured that your arrival and departure times will not alter. However, everything else is subject to change. A detailed schedule will be sent before the conference.
3. Concerning hotel rooms:
Every room consisting of four persons or less will have sleeping accommodations. **This may include a roll-away bed or up to 3 people in a king-size bed.** Please consider this when making your room assignments. We do allow five persons per room; however, there will be a limited number of roll-aways available, thus we cannot guarantee them for your group. **These roll-aways will be distributed at random assuming your hotel even provides this service. You will need to bring a sleeping bag or other sleeping aid for the five person rooms only.**

Finally... please call if we can help you in any other way.

what about...

Although the intent of this manual is to answer every question you might have, we could have left out some information important to you. If so, please do not hesitate to contact us. We would be glad to answer any question you may have.

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HAVE A QUESTION??? YOU CAN AOL INSTANT MESSAGE THE SDEA CONFERENCE OFFICE!! GET ONLINE, PUT US ON YOUR BUDDY LIST, AND 'IM' US AT SDEA CONFERENCES!

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rules and stuff...

1. No group or persons will be allowed on the grounds without first registering with the Strength to Stand Student Bible Conference through the Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association.
2. After check-in, NO STUDENT will be allowed to leave the conference without his/her church group, except with a written excuse from one of the directors of the Strength to Stand Student Bible Conference.
3. No one will be allowed to visit, call upon, or rest in a room that is housing a member of the opposite sex.
4. There will be a schedule given with which attendees will comply. Exceptions will be made only when there is written permission from the staff of the Strength to Stand Student Bible Conference.
5. All participants will attend every service of the Strength to Stand Student Bible Conference. During optional activities, each student should be supervised by their own church counselor.
6. Each student will display Christian behavior to the finest point. We must all remember that we are His witnesses in everything we do.
7. Everyone will be expected to be in his/her own room **no later than** twenty minutes following the last scheduled activity. There will be security guards to ensure the enforcement of this policy. No one is expected to leave his/her room until reasonable hours of the morning except in the case of an emergency.
8. If you have anyone who is expected to be late, please notify SDEA within 48 hours of arrival.
9. Any damage done to the hotel or conference equipment will be paid by the individual responsible for the damage.
10. Anyone not complying with these and other rules will be subject to dismissal from the conference. Any expenses will be paid by the individual's family; legal action will be pursued if necessary.

It is not our purpose to hinder your group's experience. We ask that you review and explain these rules to your students. Understand that these guidelines are designed for the safety of the spiritual atmosphere of the conference.

MVP – Ministry Value Program

Upon registering a group to attend any SDEA-sponsored event, you will receive an assigned number and membership card which enrolls you immediately into the SDEA M.V.P. program. This number will allow you to earn points through your registered attendees toward an incredible overabundance of rewards and gifts ranging from travel, entertainment and shopping to materials for your own Youth Program. Continue bringing groups to SDEA events and you will quickly increase your points, thus providing great opportunities to earn these rewards.

Reasons to Join!

Easy Enrollment (You just register your group, and we'll take care of the rest!)

Points stay with the youth minister!

(If you happen to change churches or move, your points will stay with you!)

You'll earn at least 1 point for every member of your group that is in attendance at our event! (Chaperones included!)

SDEA M.V.P. points will never expire as long as you attend an SDEA event every three years!

There's no limit to the number of M.V.P. points you can earn!

Many times "Double and Triple" points will be given for specific events.

(You can easily and quickly accumulate points for rewards!)

What kind of rewards?

Obviously, as the program grows, the rewards will only increase and expand. You may choose to "cash in" your points at any time, once you have attained the stated requirement.

Take a look at some of the sample SDEA M.V.P. Rewards!

100 Points:

\$50 gift card to Olive Garden or gas station

\$50.00 discount to SDEA event

Curriculum for Youth Ministry

200 Points:

\$100 Gift card to a restaurant, gas station or home improvement store

100 "DISNEY DOLLARS"

1 FREE registration to SDEA Event

500 POINTS:

2 Tickets to "PHANTOM of the opera" musical on Broadway, NYC

\$250 package to spa

\$250 discount to SDEA Event

\$250 gift card to Lifeway Christian Stores

1,000 POINTS:

Big Bertha Driver

2-night stay at Swan & Dolphin Resort in Orlando, Florida

THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

2 tickets for 6 nights on Royal Caribbean cruise line, free SDEA event admission (up to 20 members), Round of golf for 4 to Bay Point Resort, and more!!!

(SDEA M.V.P. Rewards are constantly updating!)

Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association, from day one, was built to serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by advancing the Kingdom. Constantly striving to stay on the cutting-edge of youth ministry, we have developed a program that ultimately provides students with the opportunity to hear and be challenged by the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The MVP

program strives for three main goals:

- I. To enhance attendance at our SDEA sponsored events, thus providing the opportunity to enrich the lives of more students.

2. To assist in the strains of budget that many youth ministers face, therefore serving those that serve us.
3. To assert our influence into youth ministries across the country through resources and programs in order to reach our goal - Advancing the Kingdom.

what others are saying...

"Thanks for having a passion for sharing Christ with the young people of today! I would highly recommend Strength to Stand Conferences to other youth pastors and students."

"Great conference, I have a lot of respect for your organization and have been coming to your conferences since I was a student."

"I've been coming to STS since I was a youth. I've brought a group almost every year since I became a youth pastor (in 1999). This conference helped change my life and I see it changing my students' lives every year. Thank you for what you do."

"Wonderful conference. My whole group absolutely loved it, as did I. We will definitely make every effort to attend more events."

"I have yet to attend one of your conferences where the kids did not come away challenged and changed."