

Ideas to Connect to the Congregation

Have children and youth lead worship—

- youth can talk about mission trip experiences
- children can be the liturgists
- have children and youth usher and greet
- and, if you have musical youth, have them present the prelude, offertory, anthem, or other special music

Invite a Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) or a youth who has been to Triennium to speak—

Find out why these programs have the kind of impact they do on youth and young adults.

Work with a local agency that supports Children and Youth at Risk in your community

Presbyterian Giving Catalog Congregational Challenge—

YAV Challenge (Congregational) Purchase one of each YAV item: groceries, Spanish lesson, day of tutoring, lodging, and weekly bus pass

Spanish lesson for a YAV	\$ 25
weekly bus pass	\$ 25
day of tutoring/snacks for 20 children	\$ 50
YAV groceries	\$ 100
YAV lodging	\$ 250

Total \$ 450

Children and Youth Challenge (Congregational)

Purchase one of each item: Presbyterian Youth Triennium (PYT) scholarship, rehabilitative course for juveniles, youth agriculture training, Peace Pals/House of Teens, peace camp, bunk beds, bedbug protective covers, and linens and blankets

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PYT scholarship	\$ 475
Peace Pals/House of Teens	\$ 300
Peace Camp	\$ 150
Bunk Beds for Children	\$ 200
Bedbug Protective Covers	\$ 100
Youth Agriculture Training	\$ 65
Linens and Blankets	\$ 50
Total	\$1,340

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