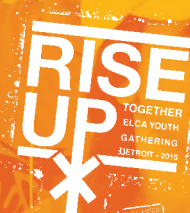
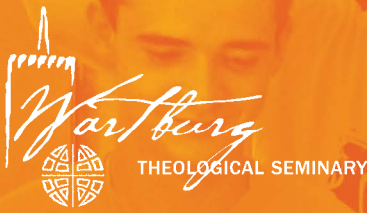


Wartburg Youth Leadership School & ELCA Youth Gathering in Detroit



July 11-21, 2015 | Apply at wartburgseminary.edu

You will:

Experience the ultimate faith journey as you share in adventure, service, study, leading, and worship.

Dates: July 11 - 21, 2015

The session is limited to 12 youth!

Candidates must be nominated by their Pastor or Youth Leader.

Registration Cost: Total cost is \$750 per participant which includes deposit and trip to Detroit.

Deposit: \$100

Non-refundable. Please talk to your pastor or youth leader about sharing the cost. We are hoping that you and your congregation will partner together on this discovery of your gifts for leadership. We encourage 2-3 youths to attend together.

Deposit and Application are due by April 1, 2015, non-refundable.

To apply: go to www.wartburgseminary.edu.

Experience A combined 10 days of dorm life in the Castle on Wartburg Seminary's campus and at the ELCA Youth Gathering in Detroit!

Explore Christian Baptism, Community, Service, Gifts, and Calling with members of our seminary faculty!

Journey with awesome seminary students who are open for conversation about anything and everything!

Study the Bible and theology to learn that for Christ's sake God welcomes all!

Lead an activity in the interaction center at the ELCA Youth Gathering.

Worship in the Castle Chapel, with opportunity to plan and lead services!

Dine together in the Great Hall!

Learn from one another!

Share your thoughts, experiences, and wisdom during the Sacred Candle ritual!

Kick back and enjoy great music and entertainment at our coffeehouse!

Play together as you bat, bowl, field, and discover gifts you never knew you had in a Cricket Match on the Castle Green, followed by a spot of tea!

Team with an adult member of your home congregation to keep learning and growing together!

Lead others in service during a service project here in Dubuque and back home!

Explore how you can serve your church, community, and the world!

Focus on the Ultimate You: Who has God created you to be?

WYLS Staff:

Kris Stache, Director

Kris lives with her husband and children in Dubuque, Iowa where she serves as Associate Professor of Missional Leadership at Wartburg Theological Seminary. One of the favorite parts of her job is to help people access courses in theology or the Bible, regardless of where they live. When she is not at work, Kris loves to travel with her family, cook (and eat) new recipes, and read anything she can get her hands on.

Melissa Waterman, Program Coordinator

This is Melissa's second year as WYLS Coordinator. She was on staff for WYLS summer of 2002 while attending WTS. She loves working with youth and looks forward to working with you at WYLS 2015. Melissa is a 2004 graduate of WTS. She served as Associate Pastor at Zion Lutheran in Waterloo, IA before coming back to seminary. She is married to Paul Waterman, who will graduate from WTS in May 2016. They have two daughters Sophia (3), Anna (2) and a son Gabriel (9 months). Melissa spends her day working for Learning for Life at WTS or as interim pastor at Faith Lutheran in Cuba City, WI.

Rod Wiese, Program Director

Rod is a 2012 graduate of Wartburg Theological Seminary with a Master of Arts degree in Theology. He currently serves as Youth Minister and Contemporary Worship Coordinator at Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Dubuque, Iowa. He is thrilled to serve in ministry where he can fully witness the fascinating work of the Holy Spirit in forming the faith of youth and deepening the connection of our everyday lives back to God. In his free time he enjoys running, music, reading, golfing, traveling, and pickleball. In early summer Rod can be found hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park with his best friend and wife Heidi.

Winston Persaud, Instructor

Winston is a native of Guyana, South America. His great-grandparents were brought from North India (now the states of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar) to work as indentured servants on the sugar estates. He studied in Guyana, at Wartburg Seminary, and the University of St. Andrews, Scotland. He has been on the Wartburg Theological Seminary Faculty for over 20 years, teaching Systematic Theology. He is married to May, and they have two sons, Winston and Alexander. He loves sports, especially cricket (yes that is a sport) - the game of games, according to him. He is a veteran teacher for WYLS and is excited about this year's program.



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