

Youth Problem

WHEREAS it is widely publicized and known that juvenile crime is on the increase, with more vicious crimes than ever being committed by young people, many of whom are not even yet in their teens; and

WHEREAS it is also evident that neither the law enforcement or social service agencies are able to cope with the situation; and

WHEREAS the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is the power of God unto salvation, and we the churches of this Association have that gospel to proclaim, which can change lives of our young people;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that we call upon all the churches of this Association to a renewed effort to reach the youth with the truth through

- 1) Emphasizing the importance of the role played by the Sunday School in reaching, evangelizing, and instructing the young people of our communities, reminding every teacher of his or her responsibility and opportunity of winning the pupils for Christ;
- 2) Stressing the role of the Sunday School in building up the young converts in the faith through special instruction classes designed for that purpose, as well as through the regular Sunday School classes;
- 3) Promoting vigorously the work of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Summer Bible Camps as a valuable means of transforming the lives of young people;
- 4) Enlisting young people in all phases of church life such as the prayer meetings, visitation programs, etc.;
- 5) Attacking earnestly the problem of unsaved or backslidden parents of our Sunday School and church young people, with the aim to secure their salvation and enlistment;
- 6) Challenging our youth with a life of service for Christ in the mission fields at home or abroad.

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