



 **Youth for Christ**
Youth Unlimited™



**ANNUAL
REPORT
2025**
YOUTH FOR CHRIST
CANADA





LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR



Dear Friends of Youth for Christ,

We are so grateful for your continued support and partnership with Youth for Christ Canada as we see the hope and potential in every young person.

As I reflect on this past year, I am drawn to the theme of light. It is easy to become overwhelmed by darkness, whether it is personal struggles, global events, or the challenges of daily life. Recently, I was feeling the weight of an uncomfortable reality, and during one of my morning prayer walks, I was reminded of the importance of God's presence and provision. God has always provided, sometimes in ways I cannot understand. I am making a more conscious effort to practice joy in His presence and in His provision. We are so fortunate to follow the Light of the World: Jesus.

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

- JOHN 8:12 ESV

As youth workers and volunteers continue to walk alongside young people in our communities, we have the opportunity to share light, witness holy moments of healing and transformation, and continue to invest in the lives of the youth we work with, offering connection, hope, and the Good News of God's love.

Thank you for your support as we work together to see every young person living fully in Christ.

Grace and peace,

Tim Coles
National Director

Our Chapters



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|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Altona | London | Quinte |
| Calgary | Moncton | Regina |
| Central Alberta | Montréal | Saskatoon |
| Comox Valley | Morden | SE Saskatchewan |
| Eastern Counties | Morris | South Island |
| Edmonton | Northumberland | Steinbach |
| Greater Vancouver | Nova Scotia | SW Ontario |
| Highlands | Okanagan | Timmins |
| Honeymoon Bay | Peace Country | Toronto |
| Kawartha | Peace Hills | Westlock |
| Kingston | Portage la Prairie | Westman |
| Landmark | Prince George | Winnipeg |

74,085

YOUTH

1,013

CORE MINISTRY PROGRAMS

36

CHAPTERS / AFFILIATES

3,792

VOLUNTEERS

897

STAFF



Every young person living fully in Christ



ALLI'S Story

In 2025, we intentionally invested in the discipleship of youth by following Jesus' example of cultivating a movement of disciple-making. We believe that transformed youth have the opportunity to transform communities, our country, and the world. At Youth for Christ | Youth Unlimited, staff and volunteers walk alongside young people, providing a safe space for them to explore their faith, ask questions, and experience community.

In the northern interior of BC, YFC Prince George serves hundreds of youth each week across three communities through ministries including drop-in programs, Bible studies, and meals. Alli is a young person who attends programs at YFC Prince George and shares the positive impact YFC has had on her life.



"Youth for Christ has impacted me significantly personally, giving me a supportive group of people that I can trust. I've seen myself grow spiritually through the ministry, through all their different programs like the Girls N Growth Bible Study, and the Upper Room drop-in. I've come to a deeper understanding of the good news that Jesus brings and what He teaches us through His word since I was introduced to YFC.

YFC has provided a community of individuals that I feel safe to share what's on my mind with. The people who work for YFC are great mentors, who have helped me to apply the truths of the Bible to my life and have helped guide me through my faith journey. Their values align with God's word which is just so important and reassuring, because you know they're really trying to make a positive impact in the world. I also

helped out with the breakfast program at Duchess last year and it was just an amazing feeling knowing that I was serving others just like Jesus did. The people of YFC are so knowledgeable and I've had some great conversations with them. Their crew are truly so hard-working and kind. They have guided me to make decisions based upon trying to represent Jesus' love justly and honour God.

I've learned to know that a relationship with God is not just on Sundays, but every day of the week. They have also shown me the importance of prayer and how powerful it is because even though you may think God isn't there for you, He is."

By God's grace and your support, we are able to walk alongside youth like Alli and share the Good News of God's love with her and other youth in her community.

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OUR *Mission*
Every young person living fully in Christ

What **WE DO**
Engage and equip youth to know and follow Jesus



“My time at Station One Eight [YFC Ministry] was one of the most fun and meaningful programs I’ve ever been a part of. I learned all about coffee, and I now work at a coffee shop after completing their employment training program. I also grew so much in my faith and finally felt like I truly belonged in a community.

Through this experience, I grew closer to God. I now help lead a Bible study with my youth worker and a friend, and I was recently baptized.

I really hope Station One Eight continues to grow and use their truck as a safe place for more youth, just like it was for me.”

- YOUTH, YOUTH UNLIMITED | YFC CALGARY

CANADIAN NATIONAL OFFICE

NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the Year Ended December 31,

	2025	2024
REVENUE		
Contributions	\$ 6,567,863	\$ 7,114,228
Registrations, Administration Fees & Other	732,761	816,118
Association Dues	216,085	212,905
	\$ 7,516,709	\$ 8,143,251
EXPENSES		
Global Engagement & International Ministries	2,889,740	3,200,840
National Programs & Events	1,597,342	1,933,795
National Operations	1,499,088	1,478,792
People Development	737,234	620,111
Affiliate Ministries	587,700	491,890
Chapter Development	248,555	343,543
	\$ 7,559,659	\$ 8,068,971
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses for the Year	\$ (42,950)	\$ 74,280

2025 CANADIAN OPERATIONS

INCLUDING ALL CHAPTERS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Income for National Office & all Local Programs	\$ 65,024,694
Expenditures for National Office & all Local Programs	\$ 60,830,435
Amount of Surplus between Income and Expenses	\$ 4,194,259



3,943 

Responded to the Opportunity to be a Follower of Jesus

1,013 

Core Ministry Programs

4,976 

Total Youth in Discipleship

862 

Churches Partnering with YFC in Canada

162 

Seasonal / Youth Employment

735 

Permanent Staff

3,792 

Volunteers

SERVING YOUTH IN **397** COMMUNITIES

CORE MINISTRIES

Your support has made it possible to serve 397 communities through **6 CORE MINISTRY** categories



INNOVATIVE CENTRES

Pursuing shared interests in inspiring environments



CRITICAL CARE

Supporting youth experiencing systemic vulnerability



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Growing and discovering God's purpose for life



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Connecting through team and mentoring relationships



MARKETPLACE INITIATIVES

Developing employment skills and entrepreneurship



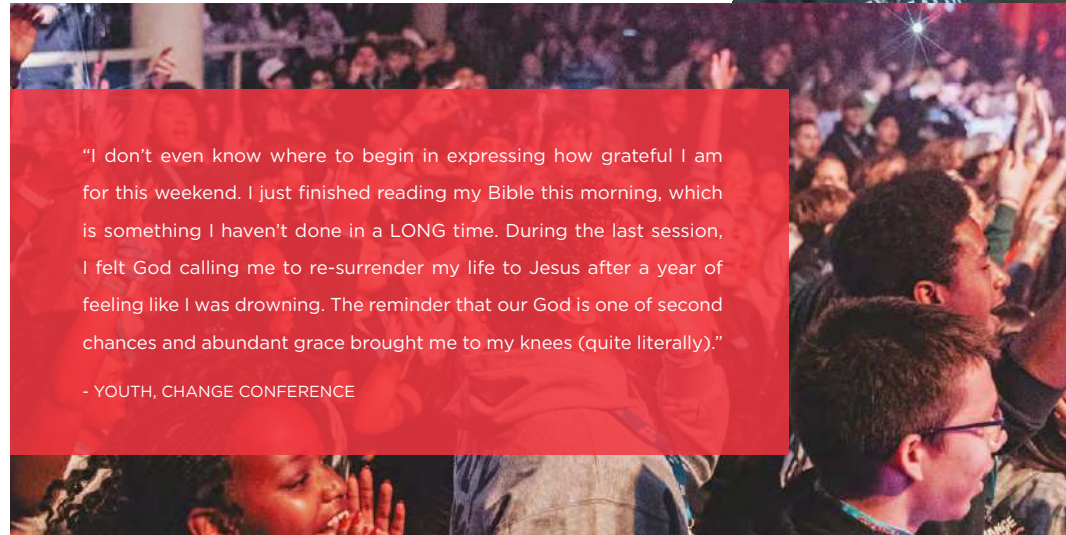
TRIPS, CAMPS & EVENTS

Sharing experiences, adventure and social impact

Visit yfc.ca for more information on our Core Ministries

"I've experienced God's love through the people at DOXA [Youth Unlimited | YFC program]. For the staff and volunteers, being a Christian isn't just believing in Jesus, but also devoting their lives to Him. The staff at DOXA live out their faith, and now I've been trying to do the same in my everyday life."

- YOUTH, YOUTH UNLIMITED | YFC TORONTO



"I don't even know where to begin in expressing how grateful I am for this weekend. I just finished reading my Bible this morning, which is something I haven't done in a LONG time. During the last session, I felt God calling me to re-surrender my life to Jesus after a year of feeling like I was drowning. The reminder that our God is one of second chances and abundant grace brought me to my knees (quite literally)."

- YOUTH, CHANGE CONFERENCE



"I've been going to drop-in for the last two years. These two years have changed my life completely. The first time I ever went, I met [YFC staff] Jon, Ben, and Flora. These people have become a big part of my life, and they have helped me on my journey with God. Last year, I met [YFC staff] Carmen. She has been a big role model for me and has supported me. All of these people have impacted my life and so many others; these people have helped bring laughter, memories, and new beginnings for so many people and I'm so grateful to be one of them. Drop-in is a safe place for people like me who are trying to have a deeper relationship with God, and the YFC team has helped make that journey so much easier."

- YOUTH, YFC | YOUTH UNLIMITED OKANAGAN

BAILEY'S STORY

At Youth for Christ | Youth Unlimited, our staff and volunteers in communities across Canada work with youth as they journey through life. We consider it a privilege to walk alongside them and share the Good News of God's love. By God's grace, we are honoured to witness sacred moments of healing, transformation, and redemption.

Twelve-year-old Bailey was struggling with depression, substance abuse, anxiety, and self-harm.

"When Bailey's family moved from Toronto to Muskoka, tragedy struck early—a fire tore through their home while they were inside. Though they survived, the trauma ignited a downward spiral in Bailey's life. Angry, withdrawn, and lost, she turned to weed, surrounded herself with the wrong crowd, and used harsh language.

Desperate for help, her mom brought her to Illuminate, a program of Youth Unlimited | YFC in Huntsville, Ontario. Bailey was closed off at first, but week by week, through open conversation, community, and prayer, something shifted. The anger began to lift. Her heart softened. One day, after a Strong Girl session led by a guest pastor, she leaned over and said, 'I think I want to go to church.'

That moment changed everything. At church, Bailey encountered the love of Christ and gave her life to Him. Her transformation was unmistakable. She began attending every youth program—Atomic Youth, Trailblazers, Drop-In—and even sought out others on her own. Soon, she asked to be baptized and boldly shared her testimony with her community.

At the YFC Change Conference in Toronto last fall, Bailey laid her past—self-harm, fear, shame—at the altar, choosing freedom in Christ. Since then, she's been sharing her journey online, creating content to encourage other teens. She's real, honest, and hungry to help others find hope.

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Bailey still has struggles, but she now knows the gift of grace. She repents, asks God for strength, and keeps growing. She once stated, 'I want to come back to Youth Unlimited and help other kids find Jesus—just like I did.'

Bailey's story is still being written, but already it shines with redemption. Her courage and faith are a glimpse of the incredible ways God transforms lives—one heart at a time."

To hear more of Bailey's story, visit yfc.ca/bailey.



GLOBAL IMPACT STORY:

YOUTH FOR CHRIST Meeting of the Nations

The Youth for Christ nations are organized into four areas: Africa, the Americas, Asia Pacific, and EMENA (*Europe, Middle East, North Africa*). In late October, seven National staff members travelled to the Dominican Republic to participate in the YFCI Americas Area Gathering. The primary mandate of the Americas' team is to empower, equip, and encourage local indigenous Christians in reaching this generation of young people. Some of the YFC Canada staff who attended are part of the Americas Health and Unity Team, a small group of YFC staff from multiple nations who are committed to strengthening the spiritual health of missionaries in 23 nations.

There were 130 YFC staff representing 19 nations at this gathering for a time of learning and growth. YFC Canada staff led a session on Discovery Bible Reading (DBR) and offered participants the opportunity to try reading a Bible passage using the DBR method. Participants split into groups and read a passage of Scripture; one participant retold the story in their own words, then the group discussed the passage using a list of questions. This is a simple, effective, and repeatable tool that anyone can use. The session was so well-received that a DBR campaign will be launched in 2026 for staff across the Americas to use. The materials have already been translated from English into Portuguese, Spanish, and French.



Since we have been using the DBR method in Canada, staff have endorsed this as a useful tool for helping youth engage with the Bible and encourage them in their faith.

"Over the past three years, Discovery Bible Reading has become the heart of my mentoring relationships with young people. It's a simple, relational way to open Scripture together and help students grow deeper in their relationship with God, ultimately shaping them to become more like Jesus. I've also seen DBR empower these young people to engage their friends and communities, creating a ripple effect of disciples making disciples."

- CENTRAL ALBERTA STAFF

Our hope and prayer is that by sharing this resource with other YFC locations, we can help inspire a generation of young people who will share the Good News of God's love with their communities.





“As I’ve looked back at what God has done in my life, my friends’ lives, and YFC, I am so thankful for all the memories I’ve made over the years. Going to Inspire [a YFC | Youth Unlimited program], doing bottle drives in the middle of a blizzard, and the discussion times that consisted more of cracking dumb jokes than answering questions.

I have had the blessing of being in this community for so much of my life, and I can’t thank God enough for all the wonderful things it has brought.

The amazing people and the memories I’ve made are what I am most thankful for.

God has blessed me so much, and I am so thankful that other kids can also come to know God’s love through the work that YFC does.”

- YOUTH, YFC | YOUTH UNLIMITED SASKATOON



2024



Youth for Christ in **126 nations**

Information provided by Youth for Christ International.
At the time of printing, 2025 statistics were unavailable.
To view 2025 statistics, please visit yfc.org.

WORLDWIDE IMPACT



91,161

Young people in
follow-up and discipleship



1,722,259

Young people impacted
by direct ministry



192,594

Young people who
responded to the Gospel



15,510

Partner churches
around the world



5,390,823

Young people impacted
by media ministry



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Change Conference
changeconference.com



**Honeymoon Bay Lodge
and Retreat Centre**
yfc.ca/honeymoon-bay



The Compassion Series
compassionseries.com

lifeteams

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lifeteams.ca



WakeUp Deborah
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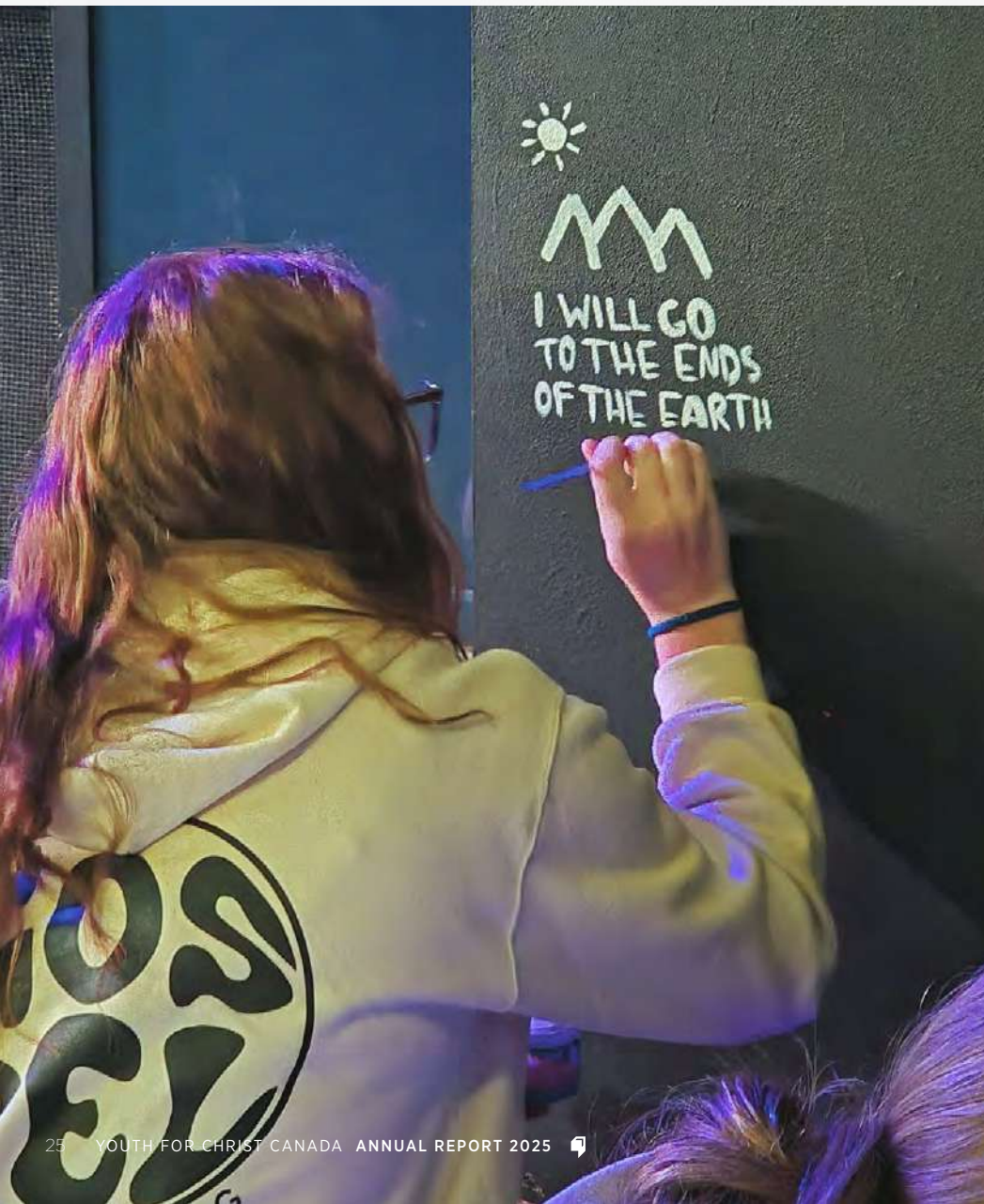
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