



“Strength in Christ”

Houseparty 2010

July 23-25, 2010

1st Baptist Church of Shinglehouse

Theme: “Strength in Christ”

2010 Theme Song: "Every move I make" by
Worship Jamz

2010 Theme Scripture: "I can do everything
through Christ who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:13 (NIV)

THINGS TO BRING: A Bible, pen and paper, personal items, clothing.
Mission project gifts
Love Gift Offering for Sunday morning offering
Any items that are needed for Saturday morning workshops.
Check the workshop descriptions to see if anything is needed.

Host family gift – Please have each girl bring a small gift to thank their host family for welcoming the girls into their homes for the weekend.

AB GIRLS Dress Code:

Friday night and Saturday morning - casual dress.

Saturday afternoon: Shorts and t-shirts are recommended for outdoor fun!!

Saturday evening - dress like you are attending a banquet with the Lord!!! Homecoming dresses, prom dresses - dress like a “princess” of the Lord.

Sunday Morning Worship Dress as you would to worship, praise, and honor God in His house. You will have time to change into more comfortable clothes before departing for home.

Weekend Praise and Worship: Bring your voices and excitement as we join together to Praise and Worship together!!!!

Friday Evening Talent Time For God!!! – Each group attending is asked to introduce themselves by way of an “act” or “talent Friday evening.” You may include the entire group, a few girls, or just one. It could center on our theme, where you are from, or special talents of your group. It can be funny, serious, musical...be creative...but remember we must reflect Christian values. You will have 8-10 minutes to have a group picture taken, recite the theme scripture and do your “talent” at the beginning of Friday night’s program.

SERVICE PROJECTS – CRAFTS – SCRAPBOOKS - LOVE GIFT

CONTAINERS We will have an area to display all of the above listed items you bring along. Many of our newer groups as well as the “older” established groups love to see what the AB GIRLS from around the Region are doing. It also helps with programming and ideas.

LOVE GIFT – We will be taking a Love Gift offering as well as a special recognition for Love Gift participation at the Sunday morning worship. Please remind the girls to come prepared with their offering. Love Gift envelopes will be sent with your confirmation letter.

2010 Mission Project: Shinglehouse Food Cupboard will be our Mission Project for 2010. We will be collecting and filling up the cupboards with nonperishable canned goods - vegetables and fruits. Let's see how many cans we can collect and fill the cupboard full.

Saturday Morning Workshops: Attached in this packet is the descriptions of the Houseparty 2010 Workshops. Please designate on the registrations forms the girls 1st and 2nd choice for workshops A and B. Some workshops require that items be brought with the girls. Reminders for items to be brought by the girls will be sent in the confirmation letter. Please note on workshops...there may be an age limit and participation limit.

Workshop A

1. Martial Arts/Self Defense
2. Bead It
3. Scrap It
4. Tye Dye It
5. Quilting
6. Make Up and Skin Care
7. Sing It OUT
8. Computers
9. Mission Outreach

Workshop B

1. Martial Arts/Self Defense
2. Bead It
3. Scrap It
4. Tye Dye It
5. Quilting
6. Make Up and Skin Care
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Bible Study: Saturday morning, there will be Bible Study for all three AB GIRLS groups as well as Adult Leaders and Chaperones based on the theme scripture.

Saturday Afternoon Activities: Shinglehouse Assembly Park. This will be an afternoon of outdoor fun in God's Country. Come prepared for a picnic, scavenger hunt, games and fellowship with one another. Nature trails and more await us on this outdoor adventure.

Saturday Night Banquet:

Saturday Evening Banquet is a special evening for the girls. We will be celebrating with each other as well as honoring and lifting up God. Dress requested is “dress up!!” Prom dresses, Spring dance dresses, Homecoming dresses, fancy dresses, etc are encouraged, PLEASE...no denim, jeans, cargo pants, etc.

Saturday Night Concert: To Be Announced!!!! Stay tuned for these exciting details!!!



Houseparty 2011

Interested in Hosting?

Contact

Cindy Martin

Cingmartin@yahoo.com

814-882-1558

for additional information and for
a packet of info.

Saturday Evening Awards:

RECOGNITIONS – Each girl attending Houseparty will receive a recognition at the Saturday evening banquet of her participation in AB GIRLS. **Please designate on your registration sheet which group each girl is in – Girls of Joy, Girls of Faith, or Young Women of Hope.** Young women who have graduated from high school this year will receive a small congratulatory gift. First Timers to Houseparty will also be recognized at that time.

BANNERS – If your church received a banner at Houseparty 2009, please remember to bring it with you this year. We need ALL banners returned so that each group is able to display banners at their church for the year. If you can not locate the banner awarded last year, PLEASE contact me ASAP so that a new banner can be created.

Explanation of Awards

This is a quick explanation of awards that are offered at the yearly Houseparty.

Best Love Gift - Submit a Love Gift theme to be judged by the Cabinet at Houseparty. This can be anything that pertains to Love Gift and the importance of Love Gift.

Best Mission/Service Project - Think of all the ways that your group can participate in Missions/Service within your own church, community, state, nation - then do something!!! Take pictures, submit your ideas and projects into this category. This will be judged and awarded by the Cabinet.

Best Talent - This category is a FUN and EXCITING way to show your talent on Friday night. Judged by the Cabinet, this award will be presented to the most original, fun, creative talent. It is encouraged to utilize the theme of the weekend into your talent. Option can include music, skit, dancing...anyway to show the talent of your group.

Most AB GIRLS - This is awarded to the AB GIRLS group that has the MOST Girls in attendance.

Best Craft - bring a sample of any or all your crafts from the last year and enter this category for a banner. Best craft is judged by the Cabinet for unique ideas, ability to have all the ages of AB GIRLS participate. Just a reminder, many groups LOVE to “borrow” or “adapt” ideas from other groups, so bring any directions or supplies needed for other groups.!!

Best Theme Arrival - This award is judged by the Cabinet on Friday as you arrive to Houseparty. Dress your group as a theme. Use the theme from Houseparty or your own theme. Dress, act and have fun with your theme. Groups that dress in t-shirts the same, hats, hair-do's and much more. Be creative!!!

Most Spirit AB GIRLS - Laugh, have fun, sing and praise our Lord and Savior, be

outgoing, SMILE, be friendly to all groups, just have a GREAT time with other AB GIRLS and the Lord. This is the basis for being awarded the this banner that is judged by the AB GIRLS cabinet.

Host Church - This is awarded at the close of the Saturday night banquet for the Host Church for the following year.

Best All-Around AB GIRLS Group - This is the category that every AB GIRLS group strives to attain. This will be awarded by the AB GIRLS Cabinet for a group that achieves the following criteria:

- A. Entries into Best Craft, Best Mission Project, Best Scrapbook and Best Love Gift categories.
- B. Enthusiasm for AB GIRLS and Houseparty
- C. Timeliness of Registrations
- D. Friendliness
- E. Participation in Friday night skit/talent show
- F. Love of God and the openness and willingness to show all in Praise and Worship time, Bible Studies, Fun and Free time, and Workshops.

Other certificates that are awarded include the following:

First Group to Register: earliest date postmarked or emailed to the AB GIRLS Regional Coordinator.

Farthest Distance Traveled - distance in measured from your church to the Host Church via Map quest

Friendliest Group - This is judged through the observation and participation of the girls with other girls. Encourage your girls to meet new friends, be outgoing, and show the AB GIRLS Spirit.

Best Theme Adaptation - this is judged through the use of the theme in your arrival and talent.

Best Scrapbook- This category will be judged by the pastor (s) and pastor's wife from the Host Church. Make a scrapbook of ALL your activities throughout the year to share with others. Be able to show all your activities, from fun and games, mission projects, devotions or Bible Studies, crafts, singing, or just plain having a TON of FUN!!!!

2009- 2010 AB GIRLS CABINET:

Samantha DiMartine – President
Deborah Hale – Vice-President
Krystalis Kerr - Secretary/Treasurer

Deborah will be serving as President for 2010-2011. We will be taking applications for Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Application packets are available by contacting the AB GIRLS Coordinator or can be downloaded at www.abcopad.org.

If you have girls interested in these positions, I must receive their application no later than July 1, 2010. **NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AT HOUSEPARTY.** Send applications too: Cindy Martin, 9345 Palmer Road, Northeast, PA 16428 or email to cingmartin@yahoo.com.

Applicants must be active in their local AB GIRLS group. She must be at least 15 years old or a sophomore in high school but not older than 18 and not married. Serving on the Region Cabinet is a rewarding experience that fosters maturity, organizational skills, leadership, and responsibility. Please encourage any of your girls that have potential in these areas to apply.

CABINET JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

President – The second year of the Vice President term. Responsible for leading the Cabinet meetings, writing for the newsletter and working closely with the Regional Coordinator at implementing ideas. Aids in planning Houseparty.

Vice President – Two-year term, second year as President. Assembles scrapbook for Region. Displays scrapbook at Houseparty. Submits articles for newsletter. Aids in planning Houseparty. Presides over Cabinet meetings in absence of President.

Secretary – One year term. Records meeting minutes. Creates an evaluation form for Houseparty, compiles evaluation results, and sends results to Cabinet members. Accumulates articles for newsletter, edits them, and submits them to Regional Coordinator twice a year. Responsible for thank you notes on behalf of the Cabinet.

Treasurer – One year term. Keeps an accounting of expenses. Communicates as necessary with the ABW Ministries Treasurer. Suggests usage of money in excess of AB GIRLS needs. Responsible for Love Gift dedication at Houseparty Sunday morning worship service.

Any GIRLS that will be submitting their application for office will be required to give a “short speech” about themselves at Houseparty. This allows all the GIRLS to get to know the GIRLS better. Applicants will be provided with the format upon receipt of their Cabinet Application.

REGISTRATION FORM Please get your registration in AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to facilitate housing arrangements as well as workshop choices. If you cannot mail it, please call it in. Please send a copy of all registration forms and Saturday activities form to the registrar (address on the form) and one copy to AB GIRLS Regional Coordinator: Cindy Martin, 9345 Palmer Road, Northeast, PA 16428 and one copy to: AB GIRLS Houseparty 2010 Registrar: 1st Baptist Church Shinglehouse. 120 Academy Street, Shinglehouse, PA 16748. Checks are to be made to 1st Baptist Church Shinglehouse with “Houseparty 2010” in the memo line.

Registration cost: \$35.00 postmarked by July 1, 2010

Registration cost: \$45.00 postmarked beginning July 2, 2010

Please complete and mail your registration forms as soon as you can. Many of you have hosted Houseparty in the past and understand the importance of prompt registrations for housing purposes.

If your group decides to stay at a local motel/hotel for lodging, please contact AB GIRLS Regional Coordinator for names of local places to stay. This is your own groups expense.

In addition to the registration form, there are two additional forms that will need to be completed.

One is a **Medical History Permission/Waiver Form** that will need to be completed for each girl attending Houseparty.

Second is a “**Getting to Know You**” questionnaire that each girl and adult should fill out and return along with your group’s completed registration. It is a way for host families to learn about their guests prior to meeting.

With the registration forms, please enclose “**Getting to Know You**” questionnaire for each girl and adult . **Medical History Permission/Waiver Form need to be brought with you.**

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE – Upon arrival at 1st Baptist Church of Shinglehouse, please leave your luggage in your vehicles and bring your girls into the registration area. This years procedure will include registering your AB GIRLS group and then having a group picture taken. After registering you will be directed to an area in the church specifically set aside for your group’s luggage. After completing the registration procedures, you may proceed to the meal area. Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 6:30 pm at the Church.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

Please utilize Map quest (www.mapquest.com) or your favorite road mapping site on the internet for the most complete and precise directions. The church’s address is:

**1st Baptist Church Shinglehouse
120 Academy Street
Shinglehouse, PA 16748
814-697-6556**

Houseparty 2010 Workshops

Martial Arts/Self Defense - Come and learn the basics of self defense and martial arts! For this workshop, girls will need to bring comfy clothes to change into before it starts.

Bead It! – Make an unique piece of jewelry all your own! This class is being taught by a local jewelry maker.

Scrap It! – **Bring 4 or 5 of your favorite photos** and make your very own scrap booking page.

Tye Dye It – **Bring a white t-shirt** and tye dye it! Girls should bring an old paint shirt to slip on while they are doing this workshop.

Quilting It – Learn to make a quilt block, while hearing a devotional!

Make Up and Skin Care – Come and learn the basics of how to apply make-up, and take good care of your skin. A local Mary Kay representative will be teaching this workshop.

Sing It Out – Join the choir directors as they teach you a special song for Sunday morning service. **This workshop will be two sessions long.**

Computers – Learn the basics of making your own webpage, or just get your computer questions answered!

Mission Outreach - Let's go to the Shinglehouse Food Pantry for a Mission Project. Many jobs need some AB GIRLS hands of service - passing out Food on Distribution Day, sorting of food, cleaning and much more. Be part of the fun!!! **This workshop is limited to Young Women of Hope and 15 participants.**

1st Baptist Church of Shinglehouse wants to
“Get to Know You!!”

AB GIRLS only

1. Name _____ Phone _____
2. Address _____
3. What is your age _____ Grade completed in school _____
4. What are your parents' names? Father _____ Mother _____
5. Do you have any brothers or sisters? If yes, write in their names and ages:

6. What is your favorite:
Sport _____ Snack _____
Hobbies/Activities _____ TV Show _____
7. Do you have pets? Please list _____
8. One thing you want your host family to know about you!!!

9. Is this your first time at Houseparty? Yes _____ No _____
10. Is this your first year in AB GIRLS? Yes _____ No _____
11. Are you a: (circle) Girl of Joy Girl of Faith Young Woman of Hope
Young Adult Woman
12. Are you allergic to any medicine? _____
Are you taking any medications now? _____
13. Are you allergic to any foods?

14. Do you have any allergies to
animals? _____
15. What is your favorite
food? _____
16. Are you a vegetarian?

Attention Leaders:

Please have each girl attending Houseparty complete one of these forms and return it with your registration. Thanks so much!

1st Baptist Church of Shinglehouse
wants too
“Get to Know the Adults”
Each adult, please complete.

1. Name _____
2. Address _____
3. Email _____
4. Occupation _____
5. Is this your FIRST time attending Houseparty? _____
6. Medical Conditions/Special Needs that you would like your host family to be aware of? _____

7. Emergency Contact/Phone Number _____
8. Are you allergic to animals? _____
9. Do you have any allergies? _____+
10. Are you a vegetarian? _____
11. What is your favorite snack? _____

Please have each Adult attending Houseparty complete one of these forms and return it with your registration.

"E very move I make" by Worship Jamz

E very move I make
I make in You
You make me move, Jesus
E very breath I take
I breathe in You

E very step I take
I take in You
You are my way, Jesus
E very breath I take
I breathe in You

Waves of mercy
Waves of grace
E verywhere I look
I see Your face
Your love has captured me
Oh my God, this love
How can it be
Na-- na-- na na na na

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