



WELCOME TO YOUR NET RETREAT

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The NET Difference

Mission

NET Ministries challenges young Catholics to love Christ and embrace the life of the Church. We fulfill our mission by conducting over 1,000 youth retreats across the United States each year, as well as discipling youth at other parishes and schools for an entire school year at a time.

Teams

Each year, 175 young men and women serve as missionaries with NET Ministries. They begin their year of service with an intense five-week training program during which they are brought to a deeper understanding of their faith and are taught to effectively communicate that faith with others. They receive instruction in prayer, scripture, Catholic teaching, Christian character, and ministry skills.

NET missionaries are then put onto teams and sent out across the United States to share their faith and invite all they meet to give their lives to Jesus. These 16 teams will reach out to over 100,000 youth from September to May.



"I could feel God here with me all day at the retreat. He was an enormous presence, a sense of peace and strength supporting me. I decided to dedicate my life to Jesus."

Retreat Attendee

Retreats

NET retreats range in length from four hours to three days. The theme of the retreats vary, but the basic message is always the same: "In Jesus Christ, the Son of God made man, who died and rose from the dead, salvation is offered to all, as a gift of God's grace and mercy." (Evangelization in the Modern World, Pope Paul VI)

These retreats, typically for groups smaller than 150 youth in grades 7-12, are high-energy experiences using large group presentations, small group discussion, music, drama, personal faith sharing, one-on-one prayer, and the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist.

Goals of a NET Retreat

- To help young people understand and accept God's unconditional love for them.
- To offer the faith of the team members as a witness to the youth that faith in God is a desirable, and exciting part of their lives.
- To encourage young people to grow in their commitment to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Optional Follow-up with YDisciple

A NET retreat is just the beginning. Once the Team leaves, we want you to be ready with all the tools you need to teach your teens to be lifelong disciples. The YDisciple platform offers 60+ video lessons with guides for leaders and parents (in English and Spanish) plus 7+ hours of exclusive training for your leaders. A subscription to YDisciple.com lasts for a whole year and you can even set up your access long before the NET Team comes so you are ready when they leave. Get an exclusive discount when booking your NET Retreat.

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Host Family Experience

Some families will have the unique opportunity to host our missionaries during their stay with a community. Host families are invaluable to our mission and serve as a home away from home, hosting 2-7 missionaries. They receive insight into the life of a NET team and have the opportunity to share their faith and receive prayer. Many families are challenged to embrace their faith more completely by their experience and choose to host missionaries year after year.

"We hosted our first NET team this year and it was an amazing experience for our whole family! We were so blessed by the ministry of presence they gave each member of our family. We truly felt the presence of Christ in our home, not to mention all the fun we had with them. I highly recommend hosting NET missionaries any chance you get!"
- Host Family, Illinois



32,700
RETREATS
CONDUCTED
SINCE 1981



2 MILLION
YOUNG
CATHOLICS
PRESENTED WITH
THE GOSPEL



110+
DIOCESES
SERVED
ANNUALLY



"When someone asks me what Pope John Paul II meant by the term 'the new evangelization,' I tell them about NET. I thank God for them!"
His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Dolan

NET Ministries Retreat Options

ONE DAY (2-12 HOURS)

- 10-12 trained NET missionaries
- Retreat setup and clean up
- Faith based talk*
- Multiple small group discussions
- Games: general & gospel-based
- Entertaining skits
- Moving dramas
- Live music
- Guided prayer time
- Men's and women's sessions*
- Recreational time*

*varies based on length of retreat

ONLY \$850

OVERNIGHT RETREAT

- 10-12 trained NET missionaries
- Retreat setup and clean up
- Multiple retreat talks
- Multiple small group discussions
- Games: general & gospel-based
- Entertaining skits
- Moving dramas
- Live music
- Guided prayer time
- Men's and women's sessions
- Recreational time
- Morning and night prayer

ONLY \$1,600

WEEKEND RETREAT

- 10-12 trained NET missionaries
- Retreat setup and clean up
- Multiple retreat talks
- Multiple small group discussions
- Games: general & gospel-based
- Entertaining skits
- Moving dramas
- Live music
- Guided prayer time
- Men's and women's sessions
- Recreational time
- Morning and night prayer
- Mass and reconciliation
- Prayer Labs

ONLY \$2,350

1-YEAR YDISCIPLE BASIC SUBSCRIPTION

- Streaming of 12+ multisession video studies for small groups
- Downloadable leader, participant, and parent resources (English & Spanish)
- Guided Bible studies
- Library of exclusive leader training videos
- Free iOS, Android, and Roku apps
- Premier access to all new content
- Offline playback (no WiFi required)
- New content added all the time!

For more information, visit us at YDisciple.com

ONLY \$199 WHEN YOU BOOK A NET RETREAT (\$325 VALUE)

Please note: Host families and meals need also be provided for the teams.
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Eliminating the Retreat Checklist

- Figure out retreat objectives
- Come up with a theme
- Form a retreat-planning team
- Track down leaders
- Ensure leaders have completed safety training
- Assign specific tasks to leaders
- Orient, train, and motivate leaders
- Give clear job expectations to leaders
- Be clear with leaders about time commitments
- Follow up with individuals regarding progress on tasks
- Meet with planning committee once more to finalize
- Create mailers for youth
- Write down the major blocks of time and activities
- Organize retreat agenda
- Research and learn new games
- Purchase game supplies
- Find quality musicians
- Plan ice breakers
- Write talks
- Write small group questions
- Purchase small group supplies
- Set up large group areas
- Set up small group areas
- Set up dining area
- Write skits/dramas
- Practice skits/dramas
- Plan prayer services
- Clean up afterward
- Meet with planning committee to go over evaluations
- Follow up with individuals to continue meeting objectives



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