

# THE PARENT INSIDER

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## Values Are Your Most Important Parenting Tool

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Think of all the different things one can value, good and bad, as ways to get the acceptance and love we need: communication, beauty, vivaciousness, domination, going along with the crowd, superficiality, politeness, humor, seductiveness, honesty, sexual conquest. And any of the following and more can be thought of as ways to achieve significance: punctuality, workaholicism, diligence, wealth, power, deceit, frugality, competitiveness, precision, evasion of responsibility. One person develops an unspoken plan for achieving significance by compulsive work habits that will force his supervisors to respect him; another attempts to meet the deep need for relatedness by a series of superficial and promiscu-

ous sexual relationships. A young teenager, despairing of real purpose for her life, tries to fill this gaping void with slavish conformity to her peer group. The kinds of goals we work toward range from the grandiose to the pathetic. One person yearns to be President or to possess a million dollars by age forty. Another lives day to day trying desperately to avoid criticism that would be devastating, or to receive the approval of others who are seen as respected and esteemed.

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## Youth Beat: Family Statistics

### -Study from U of Virginia

- Men who attend religious services regularly are more likely to have happy and stable marriages, more likely to be involved with their children and less likely to divorce
- Percentage of children living in father-absent homes rose from 11 percent in 1960 to 27 percent in 2000
- 38.5 percent of babies in 2006 were born out of wedlock

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## TOP TEN MOVIES



Movies 6/17/2016 - 6/19/2016

Source: Box Office Mojo

Rank	Box Office Movies	Gross Income
1	Finding Dory	\$135.1 mil
2	Central Intelligence	\$35.5 mil
3	The Conjuring 2	\$14.9 mil
4	Now You See Me 2	\$9.4 mil
5	Warcraft	\$7.2 mil
6	X-Men: Apocalypse	\$5.3 mil
7	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows	\$5.3 mil
8	Alice Through the Looking Glass	\$4.3 mil
9	Me Before You	\$3.9 mil
10	Captain America: Civil War	\$2.3 mil

## Top Ten Video Games

1. Overwatch (PS4)
2. Overwatch (XOne)
3. Overwatch (PC)
4. Uncharted 4: A Thief's End (PS4)
5. Doom (PS4)
6. Doom (XOne)
7. Call of Duty: Black Ops 3 (PS4)
8. Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutants in Manhattan (PS4)
9. MLB 16: The Show (PS4)
10. Gears of War (XOne)

U.S. Video Game Sales Week Ending  
May 28, 2016  
Source: VGChartz

## Celebrity Quotes

“You just kind of lose touch with reality a bit here. You drive down the street, and you’re constantly reminded of everything you’re either involved in or not involved in. It’s exhausting.”

– Chris Hemsworth,  
commenting on  
how Hollywood is “set up  
to turn you into a  
complete narcissist,” *Vanity  
Fair*, November 2015

# PRAYER CENTRAL:

## Things to pray about with and for your kids

- Pray for the mission trip to Kansas City
- Pray for continued excitement after the group returns from the mission trip
- Begin praying for this upcoming school year (it will be here before we know it)

We can never say it enough, prayer works and is important. If it isn't a normal part of your families time together, start integrating into it. You won't be sorry!

## Verse of the Month

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup> He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” <sup>9</sup> And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup> and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

-Acts 1:6-11

Being in the Word often affects us in an awesome way. It shows us what God wants and changes us to be more like Him. With the mission trip this month, this passage jumped out at me. It shows that we should get out and share Him with others. I love the implication here after Christ has ascended. Basically telling us to get to work because He's going to be back!

# Cutting Edge Music:

## Nick Jonas- "Last Year Was Complicated"



**Background:** Nicholas Jerry Jonas is an American singer, songwriter and actor, best known as one of the Jonas Brothers, a pop rock band he formed with his brothers Kevin and Joe. The Jonas Brothers originally started as an attempted solo singing career for Nick Jonas, but the record producer liked the sound when his brothers sang backup for him. Nick starred in the Disney Channel original movies *Camp Rock* and *Camp Rock 2: The Final Jam*, as well as the TV series *Jonas L.A.*, alongside his brothers. He formed the band Nick Jonas & The Administration, which released its first album in 2010. Jonas currently stars in the DirectTV drama series *Kingdom* which premiered on the Audience Network in the fall of 2014. He released his self-titled studio album the same year. In the fall of 2015, Jonas was also cast in a recurring role on the first season of the Fox horror comedy anthology series *Scream Queens*. His next album, *Last Year Was Complicated*, was released on June 10, 2016.

**What Parents should know about their new album:** Nick Jonas, the youngest member of the now-defunct fraternal pop-rock trio bearing his now-famous surname, seems to be making a play for sympathy of sorts on his third solo album, *Last Year Was Complicated*. The complication he unpacks (in detail) revolves around a woman (or women) he's broken up with. Procuring as much sex as he wants doesn't seem to be much of a problem for the 23-year-old former Disney star. But finding lasting, satisfying love? That's a much thornier proposition for the junior Jonas Brother ... in part because he's still not sure he even wants to trade all those casual carnal conquests for lasting love with just one woman. In the end, Nick Jonas' supposedly *Complicated* life isn't really anything of the sort. He's a young man who occasionally flirts with the idea of commitment. But he's much more committed to flirting—and a lot more than that—than he is making vows that would require him to subdue his self-absorption. He wants everything on his terms, but he's loath to be shackled to the self-sacrificing terms that a real relationship would demand of him.

For the full write up, visit [www.pluggedin.com/musicreviews](http://www.pluggedin.com/musicreviews). Also, visit [pluggedin.com](http://pluggedin.com) for other music reviews.

# Christian Artists

## Jordan Feliz- The River



Jordan Alexander Feliz is an American Christian musician, who plays a folk rock and soul style of Christian pop. He has released one studio album, *Beloved* in 2015, with Centricity Music. His song, "The River", has charted on the Billboard magazine *Christian Songs*, *Christian Airplay*,

and *Christian Digital Songs* charts. Feliz's second album, *The River*, released in 2016, by Centricity Music. His music career started in 2006, launching his career straight out of high school, Jordan Feliz fronted the heavy metal band *A Current Affair*. But, heavy metal music was never Jordan's passion, where it was not until 2015 that his solo music career commenced. While the days spent playing heavy metal music with his friends were fun and helped him grow musically, it's the R&B sounds and stylings residing in Jordan's musical memory that inspire his songwriting today.

Check him out at: [www.jordanfeliz.com](http://www.jordanfeliz.com)

# Featured Film: Newly Released in Theater



## SYNOPSIS— The Secret Life of Pets—Opens June 8

Starring: Louis C.K., Kevin Hart, Eric Stonestreet, Ellie Kemper, Lake Bell.

Rated PG—Action and some rude humor.

The *Secret Life of Pets* centers on the adventures of a privileged inner-city terrier who teams with a spirited mongrel to prevent a sinister bunny from assembling an army of abandoned pets to stage a massive uprising.

For more information on the movie check out [www.pluggedin.com](http://www.pluggedin.com) under their media section

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## Other Movies in Theaters

Title	Rating	Red Flags	Genre	Starring
<b>The BFG</b> Opens June 10	PG	Action/peril, some scary moments and brief rude humor	Family	Mark Rylance, Ruby Barnhill, Rebecca Hall, Penelope Wilton, Bill Hader
<b>The Purge: Election Year</b> Opens June 17	R	Disturbing bloody violence and strong language.	Horror/Thriller	Frank Grillo, Elizabeth Mitchell, Edwin Hodge, Mykelti Williamson, Joseph Julian Soria
<b>Star Trek Beyond</b> Opens July 22		Rating and Red Flags not available at press time	Sci-fi /Fantasy	Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto, Simon Pegg, Anton Yelchin, John Cho

What we say about our goals or values is important, but our goals or values are probably most honestly and directly expressed in the choices we make. The father who says he values time with his children but never makes the choices necessary to spend that time with them is speaking clearly about his real values through his actions. People often seem blind to their own values. We know what we *ought* to value much more intimately than what we *truly* value.

### **Children are watching**

*Parents teach their values to their children most powerfully by the values they as parents live by.* This is one of the most frightening facts about parenthood. Our children read us like a book for what we value. Our lives tell our children what we deem important and not important. Do we overdose on work and put little effort in friendship? Have we despaired of ever being significant and thus hide behind a sneering veneer of cynicism about our own vocation and those of others? Are we slaves to the approval of others and evidence little commitment to goals which are ours alone and for which we need no one else's approval? Do we take greater joy in our material possessions than in service to the Lord? Do we always have time for television and other recreational pursuits and no time for community service? It behooves all of us to do an honest assessment of where our time is going and what this says about our values. Then we have to go the additional step and ask, "Is this what I want to teach my child to value; is this what really matters?"

We also communicate our values in our praise. Do we praise our children for grades they get, or for the skills that they are devel-

oping? For winning, or for using their gifts well? For being quiet, unobtrusive, and leaving us alone, or for doing something right even if it makes us uncomfortable? Do we praise our children for fitting in, for being popular, for going with the flow, or for showing strength, independence, and character even when, because of it, they are not as accepted by others as they might otherwise have been?

We need to think deliberately as Christians about the values we want our children to manifest. It is vital that we get down to the most fundamental levels of what we value, and make sure that we are always encouraging that in our children. A vibrant faith is their most fundamental need for the future. We try to shape our children to value such a faith by modeling that faith ourselves, by talking openly about how important that faith is, and by praising any manifestation of such a faith in our children. We often remind our children, "We really are proud that you are doing well in school (or piano, baseball, friendships, Bible school, etc.), but never forget (and help me to never forget) that the only thing that matters is whether you love God with your whole heart and are following Him in obedience. If you do that, your life will have value. Without that, nothing really matters. God is calling you right now to be a student (pianist, second baseman, etc.), and I think God is happy that you are doing well at that for Him!"

Article found at [www.familylife.com](http://www.familylife.com)

# you**th** Group News

## Events

**Mission Trip– July 2nd-8th–** Many youth and leaders will be gone on our mission trip to Kansas City, MO. We will be leaving on the 2nd at 7 am. Returning on the 8th probably sometime between 7 pm and 8 pm.

**Mission Trip Report–10th-** We will be having our mission trip report on the 10th at 6 pm. This will be a time we can share all the awesome stuff God did while on our trip. Invite family and friends!

**Nerf Wars– 17th–** Nerf Wars is coming on Sunday the 17th. We will be having normal youth group at 6 pm, followed by a battle of epic proportions! We will be wrapping up at 8:30pm.

**Pool Party– 31st–** We will be having our second pool party at the Baabs. Meet at church at 5:30pm. Will return at 9 pm. The first portion of the evening will be normal youth group.

## News

**Summer Schedule–** Our summer schedule is in full swing! We have had great attendance at everything we have done this summer. It's been awesome seeing all the youth together, enjoying one another! If you do not have a summer schedule, pick one up in the youth room or online at [www.goffc.org/ffcyouth](http://www.goffc.org/ffcyouth).

**Website–** Speaking of our site, please visit the youth page for any forms or current and past copies of the newsletter, among other things!

**Youth on the 21st–** On the July 21st, we will be having youth group at Kuliga! We will have hotdogs, drinks and snacks! OH, can't forget some ULTIMATE FRISBEE!!!!

**No Youth-** There will be NO Youth Group on July 3 but there will be Sunday School that morning.

## On the Horizon

**Back to School– Aug. 7–** Scavenger Hunt @ 5pm

**Prayer Service– Aug. 14–** Back to School Prayer

**Kings Island–Aug. 20–** Trip to Kings Island @ 8 am

## Youth Group Teaching Schedule

July 3: **No Youth Group**

July 10: **Mission Trip Report**

July 17: **Gospel Journey–** What is Jesus' Message?

July 24: **Story of Jude Part 1**

July 31: **Story of Jude Part 2**

# You**th** Culture Music Artists Top Ten

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Radio Play</u>	<u>Albums</u>
1	Justin Timberlake – Can't Stop The Feeling	Drake – Views
2	The Chainsmokers – Don't Let Me Down	Ariana Grande – Dangerous Woman
3	Fifth Harmony – Work From Home	Blake Shelton – If I'm Honest
4	Drake – One Dance	Beyonce – Lemonade
5	Ariana Grande – Dangerous Woman	Rihanna – ANTI
6	Mike Posner – I Took A Pill In Ibiza	Eric Clapton – I Still Do
7	Calvin Harris – This Is What You...	Bob Dylan – Fallen Angels
8	Lukas Graham – 7 Years	Meghan Trainor – Thank You
9	ZAYN – Pillowtalk	Adele – 25
10	Nick Jonas - Close	Mudcrutch - 2

All information for Albums was for the week of 6/11 from Billboard Magazine.

All information for Radio Play was for the week of 6/14 from Mediabase.

# J U L Y 2 0 1 6

S U N	M O N	T U E	W E D	T H U	F R I	S A T
					1	2 Mission Trip
3 Sunday School @ 9:30 am Mission Trip  No Youth Group	4 Mission Trip	5 Mission Trip	6 Mission Trip	7 Mission Trip	8 Mission Trip	9
10 Sunday School @ 9:30 am  Mission Trip Report @ 6pm	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Sunday School @ 9:30 am Youth Group @ 6:00pm Nerf Wars	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Sunday School @ 9:30 am Youth Group @ 6pm 31 Sunday School @ 9:30 am Youth Group @ 6	25	26	27	28	29	30

## A NOTE FROM PASTOR JOSH

Hi Parents!

Summer is nearly half over! Where has this year gone? It seems like it just started. We have had awesome attendance the last month at all our events. It's been great to see all the kids together and how well the new 6th graders have integrated themselves into our group. It always makes my heart happy to see that! We have an amazing group of teens that love the Lord. It fills me with pride (the good kind?) when I continually get asked when we will be going out next to share Jesus cause they don't want to miss it! BTW, did you know we did that? Our plan is to go out once a month to bring hope to people that may not have it! Our Fall is schedule is taking shape and should be available in a few weeks, so keep an eye out for that. Many have asked about my Sticky Faith class. I will be offering it again this fall but on different night to be determined. As always, let me know if you have any questions, concerns or just need an ear!

In Him, Pastor Josh