

Youth and Young Adult Ministry USA and Canada (YAYAM) Winter Workshops

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With the holiday season now in full swing, stay connected and spread holiday cheer -- not the coronavirus -- with a virtual winter workshop happening in a Unificationist community near you!

From across America, there is a range of Youth and Young Adult Ministry ([YAYAM](#)) workshops available in December for middle schoolers, high schoolers, and young adults ages 18 and over.

And the best part?

All workshops are open to participants anywhere in the U.S. and Canada, though age restrictions apply.

Midwest

The Midwest workshop, for middle and high school students, will be staffed by eight young adults who have organized various fun and educational activities online, including team discussions and QandA sessions. The workshop -- from Dec. 27 to Dec. 31 -- goes for a few hours each day, and registration ends December 13.

"We are excited to announce that this year's winter workshop will be a combined online camp with our Canadian family called 'Winter Kogape,'" said Kai Moyongo, a YAYAM coordinator for the Midwest region. "This year's theme is 'To Love or Not to Love,' where we will focus on how we can attain the

crown of glory within society. In a world where it can be hard to love, it is important that we choose to love."

East Coast

On the East Coast, the "My Legacy" workshop is available for high school students throughout the North and South region. "Our hope is that through this workshop youth will be able to have a lot of fun; connect with each other; and inherit, understand, and take ownership of the Unificationist movement's values and beliefs," said Melissa Manor, a YAYAM coordinator for the Southeast region.

The workshop runs from Dec. 27 to Dec. 31, with a Dec. 24 registration deadline. Staff applications are also available.

Southwest

In the Southwest, high schoolers can connect through the "Who Am I?" workshop happening Dec. 27 to Dec. 30. The deadline to register is Dec. 20.

"We have an amazing group of young adults from different communities planning this workshop together," said workshop director Satomi Kikuchi. "Everyone can look forward to a dynamic, unique workshop like we've never seen before. This year's theme 'Who Am I?' will go into understanding our identity as young Unificationists and how we can inherit the traditions left by the founders of the Unification movement to create stronger communities in our region."

Nationwide

For young adults across the country, a free 'Nordic Winter Workshop' called "My Life of Faith" will be held from Dec. 27 to Jan. 2. Organizers said the workshop is a yearly tradition meant to bring together Unificationists who are 18 and older.

"Though we are living in a very uncertain time, we did not want to give up on this tradition," said workshop coordinator Peter Nylén. "Now more than ever, we are challenged on an everyday basis to find our own motivation and strength within us. We are challenged to go inside rather than outside."

Workshop participants can also connect through a special [Facebook group](#) that now boasts more than 170 members.

"We may not be able to connect in person, but we are still able to connect in our hearts," said Nylén. "This winter workshop has topics such as our personal life of faith and sharing our gift; and the role of our parents, God, and the spiritual world. There will also be space to get in touch with our yearly goals and reflect on our life mission statement."

Winter workshop fees range from free participation to \$30 to register. For more information about all workshops and to sign up as a participant or staff member, click [here](#).



FIND ALL THE DETAILS ON THE WINTER WORKSHOPS HAPPENING HERE!



All workshops are open to participants anywhere, but please note the age restrictions and schedule times for each.

We hope to see you at one of these workshops!

SR2 WORKSHOP

“My Legacy”



DECEMBER 27-31 FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS



is open to all high school students,
especially those in SR1 and SR2.

This year our theme will be "My
Legacy".

Our hope is that through this workshop youth will be able to have a lot of fun,
connect with each other, and inherit, understand and take ownership of our
movement's values and beliefs.

Please register by December 24th!

STAFF APPLICATION

DEADLINE TO
REGISTER: DEC. 24

COST: \$30 PER
PARTICIPANT

WINTER
KOGAPE
2020

“To
Love or
Not to
Love”



DECEMBER 27-31 FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH
SCHOOLERS (HOSTED BY SR3 AND CANADA)



a combined online camp with our Canadian Family called "Winter Kogape!" The dates are Sunday December 27th through Thursday December 31st.

This year's theme is "To Love or Not to Love".

How can we attain the crown of glory within this society?

In a world that is so hard to love, how can we choose to love?

This workshop is open to middle and high schoolers.

Looking forward to seeing our KOGAPE family together again!♥

- Kai Moyongo & Riki Menning (SR3 YAYAM Coordinator and Support)
- Koshin Young, Manny Moyongo, Zaiya Konno, Rena Kanazawa, Ally Hoffman, John Koester, Jeremy Carlson, Josh Fontaine (Camp KOGAPE 2020 Core Staff)

Special thanks to Tamami Ito, the artist behind the drawing!



DEADLINE TO REGISTER: DEC. 13

COST: \$21 PER PARTICIPANT

SR5 WORKSHOP

“Who Am I?”



DECEMBER 27-30 FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS



the first year that we are opening up the workshop for our entire sub region! How exciting is that! We have an amazing group of young adults from different communities of SR5 planning this workshop together, so please look forward to a dynamic, unique workshop like we've never seen before!

This year's theme is "WHO AM I?"

We will go into understanding our identity as Blessed Children and how we can inherit the traditions left by True Parents to create stronger communities in our region.

SCHEDULE (ALL PACIFIC TIME):

MORNING SESSION: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. PST

AFTERNOON SESSION: 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. PST

QUESTIONS?

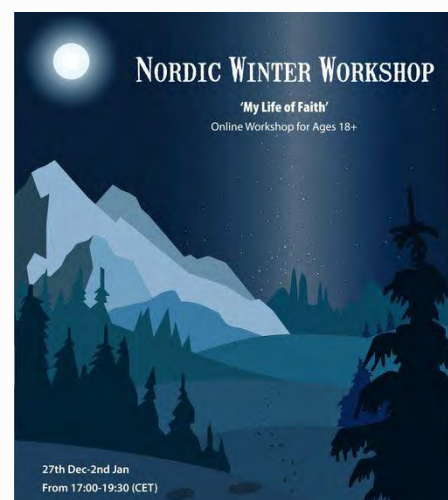
Please contact Workshop Director Satomi Kikuchi at satomikikuchi06@gmail.com or Kazuya Morita at kmorita08@gmail.com

STAFF APPLICATION

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: DEC. 20

COST: \$15 PER PARTICIPANT

NORDIC YOUNG ADULT WINTER WORKSHOP





DECEMBER 27 - JAN 2ND FOR YOUNG ADULTS

18 +

Hello Everyone!

It has become a yearly tradition for the Nordic winter workshop to take place! Though we are living in a very uncertain time, we did not want to give up on this tradition

and therefore we have decided to move the workshop to an online platform!

The online workshop will take place from the 27th of December 2020 until the 2nd of January 2021 so make sure to reserve those dates! The concept is to have sessions each afternoon from 5 pm - 7:30 pm (CET) (which is **11 AM - 1:30 PM Eastern Standard Time**) and a special New Year reflection on the 31st! The seminar is meant for young adults (18+) participants from our movement.

Now more than ever, we are challenged on everyday basis to find our own motivation and strength within us. We are challenged to go inside rather than outside. Therefore, we chose what we believe would be a very relevant topic of the seminar in this era and that is: **MY LIFE OF FAITH**.

You can look forward to topics such as our personal life of faith and sharing our gift, the role of parents and True Parents, Heavenly Parent, spiritual world, etc. There will be also space to get in touch with our yearly goals and reflect on our life mission statement. Besides the lectures we want to prepare team discussions, group activities, Q and A sessions and so on.

Please **register here before December 24th**, using the following link:

<https://bit.ly/winterWS>

We believe that though this year's workshop will be very different from the previous ones and we are not able to connect in person, we will still be able to connect in our hearts! If you are as excited for this as we are, we will have a great WS!

REGISTER HERE FOR
FREE!

FACEBOOK GROUP



The Nordic WS coordination team: Peter Nylén, Vicky Masner and Benjamin Laj

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