



Dear all,

This is our last newsletter of 2015, which has promoted a period of reflection. What new opportunities exist for young people as a result of Youth United and our partners...and how can we do more next year?

Through this newsletter we share two stories that show different ways that we are pursuing our vision of “ensuring every young person in the UK has the opportunity to join a uniformed youth group.” We are thrilled to share news of [The Woodcraft Folk’s](#) record growth this year as they celebrate their 90th anniversary. As well, we share some early thoughts on how [The Boys’ Brigade](#) ‘Rural Challenge’ is innovating to engage young people in rural Yorkshire and Mid/North Wales.

Beyond growth, we reflect on the 2nd anniversary of [Step Up To Serve’s](#) #iwill campaign and all of the exciting Youth Social Action that Youth United members have been doing – not least to support communities in the Lake District that have recently been impacted by the floods. It is inspiring to hear that even the youngest members are making a difference through collecting food and sorting supplies for those most in need.

Finally, in the spirit of the Season we look at what Christmas social action [The Church Lads’ and Church Girls’ Brigade](#) company All Saints and Martyrs have been involved in for their local community.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lindsay".



Youth United celebrates and looks to the future with Step Up To Serve

Last month saw the 2nd anniversary of the #iwill campaign, run by close partners of Youth United, Step Up To Serve. Read how the event went and of the many reasons to celebrate!

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The Boys' Brigade: Rural Challenge

We learn about new opportunities created through the 'Rural Challenge', an innovative programme launched by The Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association that commenced in March 2015 in rural Yorkshire and Mid/North Wales.

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The Spirit of Christmas with The Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade

We take a look at what The Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade company All Saints and Martyrs have been doing in the run up to Christmas. Their young people have been raising money and engaging in some Christmas social action to help out their local communities, all in the Christmas Spirit!

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Woodcraft Folk ends 90th year with record growth, thanks to support from Youth United

The Woodcraft Folk's first 90 years is being marked with an exhibition at London's City Hall, supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund, as they celebrate record growth with new groups opening during 2015 in West Yorkshire, Wirral, North Wales and Central Scotland.

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