

an epic jr. high youth retreat



**AVALANCHE**

January | 15-17



Retreat Speakers:






**Tim Teakle** **Laura Bronson**

Join with hundreds of youth for a life-changing weekend experience

January 15-17, 2016

Revealing Your Identity



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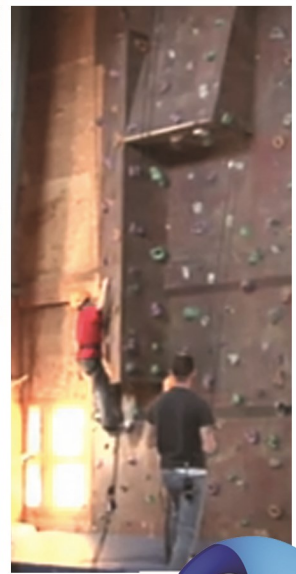
For over 15 years Avalanche (Gr.6-8) & Blizzard (Gr.9-12) have been landmark retreats at Muskoka Woods in beautiful Rosseau, ON. These retreats bring together churches of all sizes and backgrounds to give both churched and unchurched youth a valuable experience of being part of the larger body of Christ where they can look around and see that they are not alone in their journey towards a deeper relationship with Jesus.

These weekends hosted by CBOQ YOUTH have remained committed in providing a weekend packed full of engaging teaching, inspiring worship, crazy themed activities, fun programming, and tons of great memories.

Each weekend is designed is to give youth a chance to go deeper in their faith journey through small group time with peers from their own church and to intentionally give youth workers the time and space to connect with their own youth.



a message from  
**Matt:**  
director of youth ministries



for 2015

- \* Big-Time Team Challenges
- \* Special "Themed Dinner"
- Follow us on Facebook or Twitter to find out what it is.
- \* "Group Leader Reception" starting at 8pm on Fri. Night



## FREE TO CHOOSE activities

- \* Skateboard / Rollerblading
- \* Broomball
- \* Tubing
- \* Cross Country Skiing
- \* Dodgeball
- \* Snow Football
- \* Basketball
- \* Volleyball
- \* Indoor Rock Climbing
- \* Giant Swing
- \* Chill Zone
- \* Karaoke

\*these and more depending on weather will be available

### WHY ATTEND AVALANCHE?

- A. Programming and logistics are provided for you at a high level which gives you the extra time to pour directly into your youth.
- B. This is a safe, friendly & positive environment for Jr. Highs to foster community, spiritual growth and see their peers loving God.
- C. Jr. Highs are looking for fun activities, creating amazing memories and time with friends - a retreat is all this focused around Christ



The biggest question that youth are asking today is, "Who am I"? Ultimately, what we are looking for is to DISCOVER our true identity. Over this weekend through some pretty creative, innovative and fun experiences and solving some mysteries, we will be looking at our identity in Christ and understanding who we have been created to be!

## SPEAKERS: Laura Bronson & Tim Teakle

Musical Worship led by:  
**Sound Of Love**



Laura Bronson travels all across Canada and the world to speak, skateboard and graffiti. As the Director of Keep It Real Ministries, a program of Youth Unlimited Canada, Laura use graffiti and skateboarding as an on ramp to be able to speak and inspire youth towards living life with Jesus. Laura travels around to youth groups, schools, camps, skate parks and drop-in centers sharing the message of Keeping It Real: just being yourself, the person God created you to be. Laura wants to see the younger generation become passionate about following Jesus. She is convinced that this can happen through discipleship and she does this with the "Keep It Real" crew.



Tim Teakle is the Alpha Youth Associate for Ontario, partnering with churches and ministries, working towards the dream of every student in Canada having a chance to hear the Good News about Jesus! Having served as a youth pastor at Uxbridge Baptist Church, Tim gets the importance as a communicator to both inspire youth with the message of Jesus while empowering the local youth workers to be the main connection point to Jesus following the retreat. Tim is married to Carolyn and they have 2 kids, 2 fish and a cat named Yoda.

## TOP 10 THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO AT AVALANCHE

10. An intentional weekend for a youth group to build community with each other
9. Saturday Night Extravaganza
8. Snow. Snow. Snow....and all the fun times that happens in the snow
7. Lots of giveaways and crazy games and challenges
6. Making memories that last all year with hundreds of other youth
5. Cabin Time - awesome conversations about God
4. An afternoon filled will a variety of activities
3. Avalanche Treasure Chest
2. Impactful teaching and worship throughout the entire weekend
1. Weekend Away + Jesus + Jr Highs = Priceless Experience

**FUN. MEMORABLE. LIFE CHANGING.**  
GET READY TO DISCOVER  
WHO YOU WERE CREATED TO BE.

# RETREAT INFORMATION

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## REGISTER YOUR GROUP TODAY!

Starting September 15, 2015 a church leader can reserve spaces for their youth group by emailing [cboqyouth@baptist.ca](mailto:cboqyouth@baptist.ca) or calling 416-620-2946

Be sure to include

- \* "Best Guess" of your group size (leaders & students)
- \* Weekend Selection (Avalanche, Blizzard 1 or Blizzard 2)
- \* Name / Church Name / Email Address / Phone Number

You will receive confirmation within 3 days - this will include a registration form that needs to be returned with a \$40/person (non-refundable) deposit.

This cost includes meals, housing and program. This does not include transportation cost or additional activity costs. The Retreat Location is Muskoka Woods in Rosseau, Ontario.

We have limited spaces - see Youth Leaders Registration Package for more Registration Details. ([www.cboqyouth.ca/blizzard](http://www.cboqyouth.ca/blizzard) or [www.cboqyouth.ca/avalanche](http://www.cboqyouth.ca/avalanche))

## CONTACT CBOQ YOUTH FOR RESOURCES:

We are committed to ensuring all youth and youth groups are able to participate in this significant life-changing weekend. To help to make this possible we offer some insights in the following areas:

- \* Fundraising ideas / money management / financial assistance
- \* Transportation Recommendations such as sharing a bus with a local church
- \* Recommendation for Associations to organize buses to have churches travel together
- \* Promotional Strategy (including videos, bulletin inserts, poster, brochures)

## HOW TO MAXIMIZE YOUR "RETREAT" EXPERIENCE:

It is important to be together as your local youth group but a few times a year there is something impactful for your youth to be part of a larger gathering of their peers.

- \* Use this fun weekend as a chance for your youth to bring their friends to be part of your church community.
- \* Register Early. Connect with other churches to share a bus. Do a few fundraising projects like shovelling snow!
- \* Realize that this type of retreat frees you up from having to "run things" on the weekend - so be intentional to carve out time in the schedule to invest into the lives of your youth.
- \* Invest energy into "small group time" or "cabin time" - this year we are going to ensure this takes priority!




## GETTING YOUTH INVOLVED

- \* Join our Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/cboqyouthevents](http://www.facebook.com/cboqyouthevents).
- \* Watch for an email to find out about the "theme dinner" and then you can let your youth start planning for how they will dress up.
- \* Have your youth rally around their team name and colour.
- \* Have youth make their own retreat promo video
- \* Have your youth create a program for the bus ride

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Blizzard Jan 29-31, Feb 5-7 (Gr. 9-12)