

## Fallston UMC Plan of Action for the Drug Crisis

As a congregation connected to our community, we have the opportunity to impact young people in ways that will assist them in making good life decisions through prayer, events, and the education of families.

Our four-prong strategy:

### Prayer

- Create prayer partners for our youth and young adults (until age 22). This could be an ongoing component, supported through our youth program but also include those not in the youth program but within the church. At age 22, we invite young people to then become prayer partners for 13 year olds.
- Support: Youth Director, Christian Ed. Director

### Events

- Be pro-active in inviting speakers, training, working with families.
- Provide drug education for parents and grandparents in worship.
- Review AA County program for 10-12 year olds.

### Education

- Speakers, concerts that would interest young people.
- Positive peer pressure around covenanting non-substance ideals.
- Positive peer pressure among parents for curfews, education, etc.
- Continued partnerships with schools (ex. Pancake supper for chemical free cruise).
- Narcan training after church.
- Middle School connections.

### Support

- Support for families wrestling with addictions:
  - Stephen's ministry support.
  - Identification of resources in the County.
  - Coaching after addict is in recovery.