



youth day

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Why do we remember this day?

We celebrate this day to remember the brave youth that marched (and died) for the right to learn and not be suppressed intellectually because of race. Due to this public holiday having roots in such a tragic event, it is not just a day to celebrate young people. This event brings to mind the call for accessible education for the greater proportion of the South African population - a fight and injustice still happening today.

As Christ-followers, what can we do on this day?

- Lament and acknowledge that the education system failed so many people for so long and contributes towards disparity of income and livelihoods today, passed on to the next generations. Encourage people to listen to the heart of what young people are protesting. Ask: do we respond with disdain to any student protest, or are we listening to what is truly happening within our youth today?
- While sitting at the table with your primary school aged children, set up a scenario that might make this public holiday more real. Ask everyone to pretend they're in the classroom. Start speaking

