

More than 200 million active users

Average user has 120 friends on the site

## What is it?

The greatest motivating factor for children to use technology in grades 7 and up is to connect to others; to socialize. *Source: National Association of Independent Schools*

## How can I use it in ministry?

More than 850 million photos uploaded to the site each month

## Drawing the line

## Should I use it?

Every day online there are thousands of kids who say mean and hurtful things because they can. *Source: National Association of Independent Schools*

## Can I be fired for what I post?

Sixteen year olds say that they would rather break up with their girlfriend/boyfriend by texting, IM-ing or posting on their Facebook wall than tell them in person (or over the phone).

There are more females (55.7%) than males (42.2%) on Facebook

## Is private really private?

More than 20 million users update their statuses at least once each day

## Is it safe?

In December 2008 more people logged on to a so-called member community websites on the internet than they did an email service, according to Nielsen online, a research company that monitors internet usage around the globe. *Source: The London Telegraph, March 11, 2009*

## Overcoming the moral disconnect

# facebook

## training for youth ministers

Young people are using it. Parents are using it. Who is monitoring it? Should you use it? How can you incorporate it into ministry safely and appropriately. Two chances this summer to learn more.

### Basic Training

- Overview of Facebook
- Creating Your First Profile
- Privacy Setting
- Answering Your Questions

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

6:30 - 9 pm

CYM Offices, 1626 N. Union Street

Monday, June 29, 2009

6:30 - 9 pm

Sts. Peter and Paul, Easton, MD

### Advanced Training

- Diocesan Policies
- Creating Groups and Events
- Safeguarding Yourself
- Ongoing Monitoring

Tuesday, August 18, 2009

6:30 - 9 pm

Sts. Peter and Paul, Easton, MD

Thursday, August 27, 2009

6:30 - 9 pm

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Open to parents, teachers, youth ministers, religious educators, campus ministers, etc. Please sign up in advance and submit any questions via email at [catholicyouth@cdow.org](mailto:catholicyouth@cdow.org). If you have a laptop, bring it. Wireless internet available.