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AS A LEADER**





**Welcome** Amie Schmidgall, our new Fuel Network Leader in Long Beach, California! Amie has lived and served in Long Beach for 11 years with her husband and two young children. Amie encountered Jesus and experienced a life-changing transformation through Young Life at its middle school ministry, WyldLife. Her soccer coach, a Young Life leader, influenced her faith journey, inspiring a passion for sharing the Gospel with youth lacking adult connection.

Over the years, Amie has served in various ministry roles. She served as a pastor at Garden Church for over 7 years where she led the youth ministry, local missions, Alpha, and benevolence initiatives. She also has served as an Orange County and LA WyldLife and Young Life Leader. Currently, she serves as the Area Director for Long Beach Young Life, leading teams of caring adults to engage with disinterested or unchurched teens in the community. Amie is also a UYWI Certification Program alum where she gained valuable relationships and grew from the resources and training provided by UYWI.

We value all of the experience Amie brings to the Long Beach, CA Fuel Network. We are excited for her leadership as she collaborates with other youth ministry leaders to reach youth across Long Beach with the Gospel. When asked what excites her most about serving as Fuel Network Leader in Long Beach, Amie shared:

"I am excited to bring youth ministry leaders from all over our city together. There is no need to do youth ministry alone. We can learn from each other, and by being united we can use our collective resources to bring transformation to schools, families and neighborhoods. **It is a beautiful thing for our city to see youth ministries not competing but collaborating and caring for one another.** This year we are coming together to walk and pray over every middle school and high school in Long Beach. The change we want to see can only happen in prayer."

Amie requests prayers for her young family and asks God to provide another leader to partner in expanding the Fuel Network in her city. She also asks for prayer for every teen in Long Beach to have the opportunity to hear and experience the Gospel.

Thank you for your commitment to help urban youth workers, like Amie, be the leaders they were created to be! Your prayer and partnership with UYWI is deeply appreciated and valued!

Bless you,

**TOMMY NIXON, CEO**  
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