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please join us for a youth workers networking night, call in for a drink, a chat and a chance to share what God is doing with youth in your area.

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