

FALLS CREEK 2013

 LEAD SPONSOR BOOK



THIRST FALLS CREEK 2013

John 4:13-14

Theme

Falls Creek operates on a three year rotation of teaching emphasis. In 2011, the emphasis was on the character of God with CONSUMED. In 2012 the focus was the UNDISCOVERED TERRITORY uncovered by the spiritual discipline of prayer. This year our theme is THIRST as we explore evangelism.

The focus for the summer will be evangelism, and our theme verse is John 4:13-14. "Jesus answered and said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.' Our need for water is only a shadow of our real need for Christ, and though water may quench our physical thirst for a period of time, Christ quenches the deep thirst of our soul forever. He alone is able to do so. At Falls Creek 2013, we will talk about the longings of every human heart and the salvation that exists only in Jesus Christ. We will also teach on personal evangelism; the need, the how-to, and the conviction to carry Christ to a thirsty world.

Philosophy of Falls Creek Program

Falls Creek Youth Camp exists to support local church efforts to reach lost students in their communities and to raise a generation of teenagers with an authentic walk with God and who actively share their faith.

The yearly theme is selected from a three-year cycle emphasizing root issues in the Christian student's journey: (1) Knowing the Character and Nature of God, (2) Spiritual Disciplines, and (3) Evangelism. The 2013 focus is Evangelism.

The morning schedule is designed for believers. We hope to challenge them to walk with God, share their faith in Christ more consistently, and to know God more deeply through relevant worship and creative Biblical teaching.

The afternoon schedule is designed to involve students in a myriad of activities which engage them physically, socially, and spiritually. These activities are designed to help students interact with one another in both fun and contemplative ways. You can find some help on customizing your Falls Creek experience on **page 14** in this book.

During the evening tabernacle services on Tuesday through Friday nights, the gospel will be clearly presented and students will be provided with an opportunity to respond.

Throughout the week of camp, there is a high priority on Scripture, worship, relationships within the local church, and opportunities for students and sponsors to sharpen their skills and prepare to consistently serve God after camp. Falls Creek is a camp designed to reach and equip the students of Oklahoma, but it is open to churches across the nation who share the Biblical values of the churches of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.



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THE SPONSOR BOOK HAS TWO PARTS:

PART ONE is filled with information you need before camp. It includes ideas, registration information, checklists, forms, and sponsor information.

PART TWO is an at-camp resource. Around Grounds (Part Two, Section One) is an alphabetical listing of things you need to know during your week at camp. Teaching guides for both your 11:30 a.m. and 10:15 p.m. in-cabin times are found in Part Two as well.

You may find more detailed info online at www.skopos.org/falls creek.

PLEASE READ THIS BOOK IN ITS
ENTIRETY!

It will be a valuable resource in helping you understand Falls Creek and prepare for your week at camp.

HAPPY READING!

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DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday

1:00-4:00 p.m. Registration (north tabernacle entrance)
5:45 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Seat Reservations (south tabernacle entrance)
6:45 p.m. Invitation Training
(chapel exterior doors open at 6:30 p.m.)
6:55 p.m. Tabernacle Doors Open
7:00 p.m. Pre-Session Entertainment/Camp Orientation
7:30 p.m. Evening Tabernacle Experience
10:15 p.m. Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional
11:45 p.m. Inside Cabins

Tuesday – Thursday

6:30-7:15 a.m. Daybreak (Tuesday-Thursday, see [page 50](#))
8:45 a.m. Breakfast
9:05 a.m. Staff/Sponsor Daily Update (chapel/ doors open at 9 a.m.)
9:10 a.m. Doors Open for Middle School (MS) Morning
Tabernacle Experience
9:30 a.m. MS Morning Tabernacle Experience (dismiss at 10:40 a.m.)
9:30 a.m. High School (HS) Quiet Time (in cabin until 9:50 a.m.)
10:05 a.m. Doors Open for HS Morning Tabernacle Experience
(south tabernacle entrance/dismiss at 11:15 a.m.)
10:50 a.m. MS Quiet Time (cabin until 11:15 a.m.)
11:30 a.m. In-Cabin Bible Study
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Recreation & Free Time
4:30-5:15 p.m. Seat Reservations (South Tabernacle Entry)
5:45 p.m. Dinner
6:45 p.m. Sponsor Seating (South Tabernacle Entry)
7:00 p.m. Tabernacle Doors Open
7:05 p.m. Pre-Session Entertainment
7:30 p.m. Evening Tabernacle Experience
10:15 p.m. Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional
11:45 p.m. Inside Cabins

SPECIAL EVENTS

Monday

6:45 p.m. Invitation Training - Massey Chapel
(exterior doors open at 6:30 p.m.)
9:15 p.m. Open Skate and Indoor Ropes Challenge –Skatepark

Tuesday

6:30-7:15 a.m. Daybreak (Tabernacle)
11:30 a.m. Pastoral Leadership Dialogue –West Counseling Room
(Tabernacle)
6:45 p.m. Invitation Training - Massey Chapel (exterior doors open
at 6:30 p.m.)
7:15 p.m. Adult Leadership Investment – Massey Chapel
9:00 p.m. OBU in the Amp – Skatepark
9:00 p.m. Falls Creek Live – Missions Village Amphitheater

Wednesday

6:30-7:15 a.m. Daybreak (Tabernacle)
1:15-1:45 p.m. T-shirt and Standard Design Contest – Skatepark
9:00 p.m. Falls Creek Live – Missions Village Amphitheater

OFFICE HOURS/SCHEDULES

Office

Monday – Friday: 24 Hours
Saturday: 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

First Aid Station (see [page 41](#))

Monday – Friday: 9:00-11:30 a.m. / 1:30-5:15 p.m. / 6:30-7:30 p.m. /
After Evening Tabernacle Experience until 10:15 p.m.

Gift Shop

Monday: 1:30-5:30 p.m. / After Evening Tabernacle Experience
until 10:15 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. / 1:30-5:30 p.m. /
After Evening Tabernacle Experience until 10:15 p.m.

Post Office

Monday: 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday: 1:30-5:30 p.m.

Concessions

Main Plaza

Monday – Friday: 1:00-5:30 p.m. / After Evening Tabernacle
Experience until 10:15 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday: 10:30-11:30 a.m. / 1:00-5:30 p.m. / After Evening
Tabernacle Experience until 10:15 p.m.

West End

Monday – Friday: 1:00-5:30 p.m. / After Evening Tabernacle
Experience until 10:15 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday: 9:00-11:30 a.m. / 1:00-5:30 p.m. / After Evening
Tabernacle Experience until 10:15 p.m.

Riverfront Recreation Area

Tuesday – Friday: 1:00-5:30 p.m.

Rounds Corner

Monday-Friday 1:30-5:30p.m. / After Evening Tabernacle Experience
until 10:15

Ice Dock

Monday: 2:30-5:30 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. / 2:30-5:30 p.m.

Prayer Garden

6:00 a.m.-7:15 p.m.

Boulder Springs

1:30-5:00 p.m.

Thursday

6:30-7:15 a.m. Daybreak (Tabernacle)
2:00-3:00 p.m. Personal Evangelism Student Breakout – Massey
Chapel
3:15-4:30 p.m. Worship Leader Conference – Massey Chapel
4:30 p.m. GO Students 2012 Party – Missions Center
5:00 p.m. Cook Off Contest – Cafeteria
9:00 p.m. Missions Late Night
9:00 p.m. Open Skate and Indoor Ropes Challenge – Skatepark
9:00 p.m. Falls Creek Live – Missions Village Amphitheater

Friday

2:00-3:00 p.m. New Believers Class – Massey Chapel
2:00-3:00 p.m. Call to Ministry – West Counseling Room
4:00 p.m. GO Students Informational Meeting

WELCOME! FROM DR. ANTHONY JORDAN

Welcome to Falls Creek! You're about to embark on one of the most important weeks in your life and in the lives of your teens. It is likely many of your youth will encounter God for the very first time. They will come to know His love and forgiveness. Others will rediscover the joy of their salvation as they turn to the Lord in obedience. There will even be those who will hear the voice of God calling them to missions and ministry. As a group leader or sponsor you will get to be a special part of this experience in their lives and witness the dramatic change God will forge in their walk with Him.

Students attending Falls Creek today do not remember the tabernacle in which God called me into ministry 49 years ago. The only place they've experienced is what many still call the "new" tabernacle. Opened in 2007, this facility is a beautiful place to worship the Lord, filled with audio and visual technology that has enhanced the teaching and worship experiences. The tabernacle is an unbelievable place, and I hope you enjoy worshiping in this beautiful setting.

But the Falls Creek experience is not about buildings or even the tremendous recreational opportunities available. It is about time spent with young people, sponsors, and most importantly God Himself. Falls Creek is about meeting God in a personal way. Every part of the Falls Creek experience is designed to bring your youth closer to God than ever before.

Pray hard, prepare well, and let's get the 96th session of Falls Creek Baptist Youth Assembly started!

Yours in Christ,

Anthony Jordan

Executive Director-Treasurer
Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma



Photos courtesy of Richard Clifton Photography

WHAT HAPPENS?

Here is a brief explanation of what takes place at Falls Creek on a daily basis...

Quiet Time HS 9:30-9:50 a.m. & MS 10:50-11:10 a.m.

This in-cabin time is designed for students to be alone with God. Middle School and High School students alternate their quiet time around the Morning Tabernacle Experience. A short, private worship (Quiet Time) guide based on the theme of the day will be provided for students in the student book, given to every church/person at onsite registration on Monday. The guide can be downloaded prior to camp at www.skopos.org/resources.

Staff/Sponsor Daily Update 9:05-9:20 a.m.

Falls Creek Youth Ministry Staff will meet with at least one sponsor from each church for a short meeting and prayer time to give daily camp updates in Massey Chapel on the north end of the tabernacle.

Morning Tabernacle Experiences 9:30-11:15 a.m.

Middle School and High School students will meet separately in the tabernacle for the morning experience. Here's how it works...

Middle School students begin their tabernacle experience at 9:30 a.m. As Middle School students leave for the Morning Tabernacle Experience, High School students begin their quiet time in cabins. At around 10:05 a.m. the south doors will open for High School students to enter. When High School students enter, the Middle School and High School students will participate in a combined time of worship. At 10:40 a.m., Middle School students will be dismissed to return to their cabin for their quiet time. High School students will move forward for their teaching time. All High School graduates, as indicated by the NC on their wristband, will be dismissed to the Massey Chapel for Next Chapter (see page 44). All High School students will be dismissed around 11:10 a.m. Both Middle School and High School students will be challenged to explore salvation and our THIRST that is quenched only in Jesus! We use this study to become equipped in personal evangelism. Please organize sponsors to have enough adults to supervise your middle school students, high school students, and your cabin.

In-Cabin Bible Study 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

In-Cabin Bible study and challenge is a cornerstone of Falls Creek. Students should meet with their individual churches in their cabins.

This book contains the teaching materials for the in-cabin Bible study, taught Tuesday through Friday. Short video introductions to these materials are on the camp promo DVD which was included in your promo pack. These do not teach the material, but simply introduce the in cabin studies. These videos are also downloadable at www.skopos.org/media. Interactive portions of the in-cabin bible study materials may be downloaded at skopos.org/resources. All churches are required to have Bible study in their cabin to participate at Falls Creek (page 8). This means each church needs to prepare to teach their students during this time.

Recreation 1:30-5:30 p.m.

Falls Creek provides more recreational options than any person or group could possibly do in a week. Churches may choose to participate in the recreational options available or they may design their own recreational program. Tournament recreation is held at Riverfront Recreation Field with the exception of Ping-Pong, which will be held at the pavilion adjacent to Swift Skate Park. For more information, turn to page 45.

Evening Tabernacle Experience 7:30-9:00 p.m.

The Evening Tabernacle Experience is the culmination service each evening. Energetic praise, preaching, and a public invitation (Tues. – Fri.). Make this service one of the signatures of the Falls Creek experience.

Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional 10:15 p.m.

In-Cabin devotionals, led by local church leadership, reflect the specific needs and issues of the youth group. A devotional guide is provided in this book on pages 73-83 as a resource to group leaders needing devotional ideas or plans. Since students have free time from 8:45 p.m. until 10:15 p.m., churches may, if they choose, begin their devotional time before 10:15 p.m. All groups must be at their cabin by 10:15 p.m. Small groups & family groups (without a sound system) may meet around their cabin (e.g. on the porch) until 11:45 p.m., unless the group causes a distraction to other cabins. **After 11:45 p.m. all groups need to be inside their own cabin.**

For a more detailed daily schedule, see page 3

WEEK BY WEEK AT THE CREEK

1
RYAN FITZGERALD
WORSHIP



SPEAKER
DAVID EDWARDS



2
PATRICK RYAN CLARK
WORSHIP



SPEAKER
CHRIS WALL



3 & 4
CHRIS WHITE
WORSHIP



SPEAKER
ED NEWTON



2013

WEEK 1 JUNE 3-7
WEEK 2 JUNE 10-14
WEEK 3 JUNE 17-21
WEEK 4 JUNE 24-28
WEEK 5 JULY 1-5
WEEK 6 JULY 8-12
WEEK 7 JULY 15-19
WEEK 8 JULY 22-26

5



CODY DUNBAR
WORSHIP

SPEAKER
WES HAMILTON



6



MATT ROBERSON
WORSHIP



SPEAKER
MATT KEARNS

7



KYLE CANTRELL
WORSHIP



SPEAKER
KEITH WIGINTON

KYLE CANTRELL
WORSHIP

8



SPEAKER
GREG
STIER

1.1 PREPARATION

HOW TO GET READY FOR FALLS CREEK

For an itemized preparation check list, see [page 13](#) also check out our Customization Map on [page 14](#).

1 - Agree to the Five Elements of Participation

There is a great deal of flexibility and personalization for your group at Falls Creek. However, all churches attending Falls Creek Youth Camp must agree to the Five Elements of Participation:

- Attendance in the Morning Tabernacle Experience
- Attendance in the Evening Tabernacle Experience
- Adherence to the dress code (listed on [page 23](#))
- Adherence to the code of conduct (listed on [page 23](#))
- Aroup participation in a morning quiet time, in-cabin Bible study and evening wrap-up.

2- Reserve Housing

For information on reserving housing, see [page 14](#).

3 - Recruit Sponsors/Cooks

Each church provides their own meals, brings their own sponsors, plans and implements their own in-cabin activities. Great adult sponsors are essential for a great week at camp. We recommend recruiting at least one adult per ten students. For more information about recruiting/training sponsors for your camp week, see. Also, tips for cooks, meal planning and food purchasing are listed on and on skopos.org/resources.

4 -Register Online

For more information about registering online, see [page 14](#).

Registration Fees:

The cost per person (student or adult):

- BGC Church : Full Time \$10.00 a day or \$50.00 a week
 - Non- BGC Church : Full Time \$16.00 a day or \$80.00 a week, there is also a \$200 per church programming fee
- Registration fees are paid on Monday of your camp week by check or cash ONLY. Please make checks payable to BGC.

5 – Complete Release Forms

Make copies of all completed release forms for each of your students, sponsors, children and cooks (copies of all forms are on [pages 26-38](#) or online at www.skopos.org/resources). The legal parent or guardian of each student must sign the release form. All release forms (student and adult) must be alphabetized together by last name and turned in at registration on Monday of your camp week.

It is imperative that you make an additional copy of all the release forms and bring them to camp. NOTE: Please make all copies of forms BEFORE coming to camp as there is a limited capacity for copying documents at camp. At Onsite Registration on Monday, you will turn in forms. The additional copies of release forms are yours for any emergency trips to the hospital and for your trip home. In addition, we suggest you consider making copies to leave at your church, in each vehicle that carries students to camp, and to leave with multiple adults in your cabin to streamline the process in the event of an emergency.

ONLY THE FALLS CREEK 2013 RELEASE FORMS ARE ALLOWED FOR REGISTRATION

Use the chart below and your cabin number to determine your easiest access point for camp.

Use Low Road:	Cabin #
(Price's Falls Gates)	100's
	200's
	300's
	400's
	700, 701, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 717
Use High Road:	
(Main Gate)	500's
	600's
	Remainder of the 700's

ACCESSING YOUR CABIN

Church groups should not arrive before 8:00 a.m. on Monday.

6 - Arrive at Camp

How do I get to Falls Creek?

Falls Creek is just outside of Davis, Oklahoma, off Interstate Highway 35, exit number 51. Highway and regional signs will direct you to: Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center grounds after you exit I-35. The physical address for Falls Creek is:

6714 HWY 77D
Davis, OK 73030-8002

REMINDER:

The "high road" entrance to Falls Creek has undergone a major reconstruction. Work on the road will be finished before summer, so there will be two entry options open and available for camp this summer.

7- Register Your Group Onsite

All churches should participate in on-site registration between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. All groups or individuals arriving after Monday at 4:00 p.m. will need to check in at the office for registration assistance. NOTE: Late Night registration is provided on a very limited basis. This is only for those who are providentially hindered from attending the main registration. ("Providentially Hindered" means: bus break down or accident, student or sponsor illness in transit, zombie apocalypse, etc.) For more information about Onsite Registration, see [page 14](#).

8-Reserve Seats for Your Group

The process for seat reservations has changed significantly for the summer of 2013. See [page 49](#) for details.

HERE ARE WAYS TO ENHANCE YOUR WEEK AT FALLS CREEK:

Develop Prayer Strategy

Organize a prayer strategy for the week. Ideas for prayer are listed on [page 15](#).

Publicize Your Week

Use resources available in the Promo Packet (posters, logos, DVD, etc.) as well as your church's website, Facebook (your ministry's page or the Falls Creek Youth Camps page), Twitter (@okskopos or your own twitter), or the Vimeo channel (okskopos) to get the word out to students in your community. Promotional ideas are listed on [page 16](#).

Organize Daily Activities

Organize recreation, meals, transportation, and sponsors for your group. Go to [page 36](#) or online at www.skopos.org/resources for the recreation form. Bring your completed recreation form when coming to registration on Monday. For ideas on customization, check out [pages 14!](#)

Prepare In-Cabin Bible Study with provided resources!

Prepare for the in-cabin teaching times on Tuesday-Friday mornings. A Bible study guide is printed on [pages 52-72](#). You may also download the print resources from www.skopos.org/resources.

Plan Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional

Plan the cabin wrap-up/devotion time in your cabin for each night. The priority of the late night cabin wrap-up should be to give students time to process and apply the information they have gained throughout the day, rather than to present new information. This time should also allow students to share their decisions or to make spiritual decisions. Camp staff will be available each week to teach devotionals if you need assistance. The sign-up for a cabin devotional speaker is available at registration on Monday, but come prepared to lead devotionals each night. A cabin wrap-up/ evening devotional guide is in this book on [pages 73-83](#).

Prepare for In-Cabin Spiritual Encouragement

Many of the decisions made at Falls Creek are made in cabins. Each church is responsible for planning and preparing for encouragement times that should happen inside your cabin each day. We recommend that each student, at least once during the week of camp, is provided an opportunity to meet one-on-one with an adult of the same gender from their church to talk about spiritual matters. A reproducible decision card for in-cabin decisions is on [page 38](#) and these cards should remain with your group. It is provided as a resource for churches that do not already have a decision card prepared for their cabin times.

Host a Pre-Camp Parent Meeting

Organize pre-camp preparation meetings for parents, sponsors and students. In your pre-camp meeting, pass out the parent & student information handouts (available on [pages 31-35](#) or online at www.skopos.org/resources). Have parents sign their child's release form and distribute a camper packing list specific to your church. Here are some suggestions for your camper packing list:

Camper Packing List Suggestions

- Modest clothing for five days (see dress code [page 23](#))
- Bible
- Notepad/ Pen or Pencil
- Spending money for concessions or gift shop
- (Optional) Umbrella, Flashlight, Camera

Recreation Items

- Modest athletic clothing for sports activities, (**No tanktops or "side-less" shirts**). See dress code [page 23](#)
- Long shorts (see dress code)
- Closed toe shoes for the ropes course
- Swimsuit (if two piece, bring a dark t-shirt)
- Skateboard, helmet and pads (Falls Creek provides pads if needed)
- Softball glove
- Volleyball (Balls for games are provided)
- Basketball
- Fishing Tackle
- Ping Pong Paddle

Cabin Items

- Pillow
- Bedding
- Towels
- Hygiene products (don't bring shaving cream unless you shave!)
- Sunscreen/Bug Spray



SO YOU'RE NEW TO FALLS CREEK?

FALLS CREEK 101

Falls Creek is a unique camp in many ways:

- You select and rent your own cabin
- You bring your own cooks and food
- You cook meals in your cabin in your own kitchen
- You design the mid-morning in-cabin Bible study, morning quiet time, recreation time, and evening cabin devotional for the unique needs of your group



Falls Creek is both rustic and modern with many varieties of cabins, rough hills, state of the art technology in the services, and access to missionaries and on-site or global mission opportunities.

The camp programming is generally designed for believers in the morning and lost students in the evening. Each week we typically host over 4,000 believers and more than 500 lost students. In most cabins, 15-20% of the students coming with their group are not believers. We understand these dynamics and are sensitive to the unique responsibility of hosting so many lost students each week.

Falls Creek requires much preparation, but has incredibly rich benefits. You do not need to pay a deposit to the camp to register your group. Reserve your cabin, pay the cabin deposit to the cabin owner, complete the online orientation, and input your registration information online. You do not need to give the camp your final list of attendees until you arrive on Monday, allowing you to bring more late registering guests. Because of the generosity of Oklahoma Baptists, your registration fee is incredibly low which allows more un-churched and lower income students to attend camp. You have access to one of the largest ropes courses in North America at no additional cost. The camp-wide worship experiences in the mornings and evenings are planned and coordinated, allowing you to spend more time developing the other in-cabin times with your students.

Please know that we understand how hard it can be to find a cabin at Falls Creek. Most cabins are completely booked by January, leaving very few options to rent a cabin. However, there are still cabins that sit unrented each week at Falls Creek. We want to help you in any way that we can as you prepare for Falls Creek: No question is off limits. Feel free to e-mail us at youth@bgco.org, call (405) 942-3000 ext. 4645 or go to the Falls Creek page at www.skopos.org/fallscreek.

During each morning of camp, we will meet from 9:05-9:20 a.m. in Massey Chapel. One sponsor from each church is expected to attend to receive a daily camp update and answers to questions.

CHECKLIST FOR FALLS CREEK 2013 PREPARATIONS

- Pray for everyone God will bring to camp.
- Develop a plan to enlist students for camp.
- Secure a cabin and transportation for your church.
- Select the lead sponsor for your church.
- Select sponsors (at least one sponsor for every ten youth).
- Select cooks for your cabin (every cabin provides their own food and cooks).
- Perform background checks on all adults attending camp (see Camper Safety, [page 24](#)).
- Go online to www.skopos.org/registration to register for camp. Updates and changes to your online registration can be made at any time before arriving Monday for Onsite Registration.
- Consider theme nights or a theme verse for your cabin. See [page 17](#) for ideas.
- Enlist and train sponsors and upperclassmen students to serve during the invitation.
 - An Invitation training video for pre-camp training is included in your promotional materials. Mandatory training will also be held in the chapel at 6:45 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. See [page 43](#).
- Order camp t-shirts (see [page 50](#)) or design your own t-shirt, trading pin, standard and/or banner. If you plan to enter the contest see [page 51](#).
- Purchase a First Aid Kit for your cabin. See the First Aid Packing list on [page 41](#).
- Plan meals and purchase food.
- Divide the youth into teams/families for prayer and discussion during your cabin devotion and in-cabin Bible study. See [page 52](#).
- Prepare your morning in-cabin Bible study and evening cabin devotional. Cabin devotional ideas are included on [pages 52](#) and the in-cabin Bible study materials are included on [pages 53](#) and online at www.skopos.org/resources.
- Plan other in-cabin activities and the spiritual emphasis for your group. For customization options and ideas, see [page 14](#).
- Hold a parent/camper meeting:
 - Make sure all release forms are signed and returned. (Make extra copies, alphabetize them and bring both sets to camp.) You must use the provided 2013 release forms. Blank forms are on [pages 26-38](#) or online at www.skopos.org/resources.
 - Go over the Parent & Student Information Handouts (on [pages 31-35](#) or online at www.skopos.org/resources), give out emergency phone numbers, etc.
 - Share the rules and expectations of your church, as well as the Falls Creek Code of Conduct and Dress Code.
 - Introduce the adult sponsors to students and parents.
 - Create and distribute a camper packing list (for ideas see the list on [page 34](#)).
 - Sign students up for recreational activities. Complete the Recreation Form for group recreation (see [pages 36](#) or download online at www.skopos.org/resources).
- Secure correct change or check to pay for registration on Monday.
- Register at the north entrance of the tabernacle Monday from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

See [page 21](#) for a list of items to bring to registration.

PREP MEETINGS & ONLINE ORIENTATION

We will hold two regional prep meetings: in **Oklahoma City (May 7, Southern Hills Baptist Church)** and **Owasso (May 9, Owasso, FBC)**, for those who would rather attend a physical meeting. For more details about regional prep meetings, please go to www.skopos.org/campprep. Attendance at one of these meetings will help expedite the online orientation process. Critical camp material will be presented by either means of orientation. However, there will be some bonus promotional materials, plus door prizes given to those who attend the physical meetings. For more information about online orientation, see [page 20-21](#).

1.2 FALLS CREEK IDEAS

CUSTOMIZING YOUR FALLS CREEK EXPERIENCE

Falls Creek is a camp within a camp experience. There are parts of the programming schedule which are fixed and parts that can be customized to fit your group and emphasis. Use this guide to help make the most of your Falls Creek experience. Below is a basic camp schedule. The parts of the daily schedule which are customizable have been highlighted.

A SCHEDULE & RESOURCES

8:45 am	Breakfast
9:30 am	Quiet Times (HS 9:30am / MS 10:40am)
9:30 am	Morning Tabernacle Experience (MS 9:30am / HS 10:05am)
11:30 am	In-cabin Bible Study
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm	Recreation/Free Time
5:45 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm	Evening Tabernacle Experience
8:45 pm	Free Time
10:15 pm	Cabin Devotional

Falls Creek has provided materials and activities for each of the customizable parts of the daily schedule. These tools will help you provide both spiritual training and fun camp activity for your students.

Quiet Times	Printed materials in Student Book
In-cabin Bible Study	Video segment on Promo DVD / Teaching materials in sponsor book
Recreation/Free Time	Recreation options listed in Sponsor Book / Missions Center & Village open
Cabin Devotional	Teaching materials in Sponsor Book
Student Breakouts	Scheduled at different times Tuesday-Friday

D PLANNING STUDIES & ACTIVITIES

Determine if you will be teaching and building off of the Falls Creek theme. All of the materials Falls Creek puts together for camp build on the theme. If you promote or utilize a different theme it becomes important to consider other materials for your study times. Falls Creek resources for In-cabin Bible Study and Cabin Devotionals can be found in your Sponsor Book. Quiet Time materials are in the Student Book. Falls Creek recommends building on the camp theme to maximize impact for your group.

Don't think of "Free Time" as "Do Nothing" time. Use it wisely to create a fun and active camp experience. There are multiple activities provided by Falls Creek for the afternoon "Free Time."

Choose from the following:

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|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Volleyball | Basketball | Ropes Course (pre-enlist) |
| Porch Games | Softball | Human Foosball |
| Missions Center | Disk Golf | Ropes Course (walk ups) |
| Cha Ha Pit | Giant Chess | FC Art Project |
| Horseshoes | Kayaks | 9 Square in the Air |
| Missions Village | Skatepark | Swimming |
| FC Live! | Connect Four | Student Breakouts |
| Concessions | Fishing | Ping Pong/Jungle Pong |

B ACTIVITY PLAN EXAMPLE

Layout an activity plan for your group.

Example:

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
(Rec & Ropes)				
1:00-5:00pm	A S S C H E D U L E D			
(Creative Options)				
1:00-3:00pm	Personal Evangelism	Porch Games	Sponsor Search	Disc Golf
3:00-5:00pm	Cha Ha Pit	Scavenger Hunt	Missions Center	Prayer Walk

(Use Creative Options when your group is not involved in Rec & Ropes)

C CREATIVE OPTIONS

You can also choose from creative options you design

Some ideas for such options are:

Scavenger Hunts – Make a pre-visit to camp and determine sites or objects for students to find. Develop creative clues, use compass coordinates, or design other methods to determine a route for the hunt. **NOTE:** We discourage "Bigger & Better" as an option for this type of activity. It's not very creative and has become overused.

The Great Sponsor Search – Have sponsors disguise themselves and disperse on campus. Put students in groups, give them blank index cards and then send them out to find all the sponsors. Give each sponsor a set of unique stickers (to use as their "signature") to place on the card when they are found. The first group back with a card with all the stickers wins.

Personal Evangelism – Prepare students to share their faith using their testimony or a gospel illustration. Send them out to share with other campers. Plan a share time for students to report what happened.

Prayer Walks – Engage students in prayer walks around campus with the end destination being the Prayer Garden. Determine a start time and a time to arrive at the garden. Share what God said and did, and celebrate with a group prayer.

Extra Tip:

A great and simple way to enhance your week is to plan meals that are excellent and creative. Theme the meals, provide as much "fresh" food as you can, and bring the best cooks possible. Having a special lunch or dinner one day where you go "all out" is also a plus. Just don't underestimate the power of good meals to make camp a better overall experience!

Falls Creek Social Media

Get connected with Falls Creek before, during, and after camp in a variety of ways using social media. You can access Falls Creek info through Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/fallscreekok>), Twitter (@okskopos), and Vimeo (okskopos)!

Prayer Preparation Ideas

Prayer preparation is as vital to camp as physical preparation and planning. Listed below are several ideas for preparing your church and your students for Falls Creek. Please remember to pray for the overall safety of the camp, the Falls Creek leadership, and camp staff.

Choose from the ideas below to create and implement a prayer plan:

Adopt a Cabin:

Select one of the cabins at Falls Creek and pray for the groups that will be staying in the cabin all eight weeks of Falls Creek. Sign up to adopt a cabin by filling out the form on our website <http://skopos.org/fallscreek/prayer-strategy/>.

5 Critical Concerns:

We are calling on people to pray for students in regard to five areas of critical concern: Personal Brokenness, Salvation, Family Life, Perseverance, and Call to Ministry. For examples of how to pray for these five critical concerns, visit www.skopos.org/fallscreek.

60-Day Prayer Guide

Available online at www.skopos.org/fallscreek/prayer-strategy is a 60 day prayer guide designed to prepare your group for camp. Distribute the prayer guide to every student and adult involved or committed to Falls Creek and other prayer supporters within your church.

Fasting

Teach students the meaning of fasting, then fast for a meal or full day the week before camp. Focus the fast on prayer for lost students and the purity of all Christians who attend camp.

Prayer Walk

When your group arrives at camp, send your leadership students out with a prayer walk guide. Ask them to walk around camp and pray in groups of two or three for all the major areas of camp.

Prayer Partner

Link students with an adult prayer partner before the week of camp. This adult should not be one of the adults who will attend Falls Creek as a sponsor.

Wristbands

Write all names of students and adults attending Falls Creek on a "hospital bracelet" and place them on the altar at church. Encourage adults to pick up one of the wristbands the Sunday before camp and wear it all week as a prayer reminder.

Parent Prayer

Assign parents and adults a day of prayer for your group. Distribute all names of students to the parents and adults for their day of prayer.

Advance Prayer

For several weeks before camp, meet regularly with sponsors to prepare and pray for students who will attend camp.

Commissioning Service

Sunday night before camp hold a "commissioning service" to pray over and prepare the students for Falls Creek.

Your Own Prayer Strategy

Develop your own prayer strategy to fit the needs of your group.



Pre-Camp Ideas

Before you leave for camp, consider a few of these ideas to enhance the experience of your group at Falls Creek!

Letters from Home

Ask parents to write their students a letter before your group leaves. Bring the letters and distribute them to campers during the week, or ask parents to mail their letters to camp. For students that will not get any letters or mail from home, ask a Sunday School teacher or small group leader to write all of the students in their class or group.

Please address mail as follows:

Name of Camper
Church Name
Cabin Name and Number
Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center
6714 HWY 77D
Davis, OK 73030-8002.

Promotional Videos

A promotional video is found on the DVD in your camp Promo Packet and is available for download from www.skopos.org/media. Consider producing your own promo videos to upload to your youth ministry's web site or share with students on Vimeo or Youtube.

Promotional Posters

Three unique posters are provided in Promo Packs for your camp promotional needs. These posters can be used in the community and in your youth room to encourage students to sign up for camp. Ask local businesses, gas stations, restaurants, coffee shops, sporting venues, etc. if you can display a poster in their window.



Ideas For Your Group's Week At Falls Creek

Here is an assortment of ideas gathered from various groups at Falls Creek over the past several years. Consider a few of these ideas to do in your cabin or around grounds while you are at camp.

Encouragement Notes

Assign each student a 9x12 envelope to decorate on Monday when you arrive. Mount these envelopes on a wall in the cabin. Leave paper and pencils around a table for students to write notes to put in the envelopes for each other. Provide simple rules to make sure notes stay focused on encouragement.

Establish New Spiritual Traditions

Talk with upperclassmen and brainstorm a new Falls Creek tradition to pass on to the next generation. Traditions can be funny or serious. Some ideas might include: reading a book of the Bible out loud as a group, taking communion together, unique prayer times, special meals, upperclassmen encouraging the younger students, etc. If your group has the tradition of doing pranks in the cabin or around grounds, change the tradition to be something more encouraging and God-honoring.

Family Groups

We suggest putting students into "families" for discussion groups during the morning in-cabin Bible study and the evening cabin devotional. You can organize these groups in a way that works best for your students (grade, school, co-ed, etc.), but make sure an adult or two is in every group to facilitate the discussion. To help sponsors learn more about students in their family groups, have the students complete a Student Profile found on [page 39](#), or online at skopos.org/resources. Make creative names or themes for each family group (animals, foods, colors, etc). Think about using family groups for recreation, KP, worship preparation, etc. We have found that as students spend time working together, communication in their small group setting improves for discussing significant spiritual issues. Ideas for the small groups are provided with the morning in-cabin Bible study guide and the evening devotional guide.

Identity Builders

Wear something all week to help your group build group identity. Necklaces, headbands, trading pins, hats or name badges will help build group unity and help identify your group in the crowd.

Lights Out

Every group has issues getting students to sleep each night. So, invent a special way for your group to do lights out. Some groups turn off the lights and pray out loud for the next day or sing a certain song each night. Encourage sponsors to walk from bunk to bunk to pray with each student. Some students have not received encouragement before bedtime since they were a baby.

Pin Trading

We encourage churches to have their own pins made to trade with Falls Creek staff or students from other churches. A pin trading area will be located near the Missions Village. We have provided pictures of past pins and links to sites that make these custom pins at www.skopos.org/fallscreek/missions/pintrading. These companies are not recommendations, but we have provided helpful contact information to utilize at your discretion. Pins can run anywhere from \$1.00-\$4.00 each, depending on the design and style. Plan to join us in this fun activity at camp!

Prayer Walking

Each evening as students arrive at the tabernacle, encourage your group to prayer walk for the invitation, themselves, peers, and the leadership of the service. Prayer walking can be done in silence as students walk through the aisles or students could gather before the service at the altar in small groups to pray.

Plan Morning Quiet Time

Plan to create an environment in your cabin for quiet times. Play music or have a sponsor pray over their group before they have their private devotional time. Consider beginning your morning quiet time as a group and teach 3-5 minutes on how to have a private time of worship. After you teach your students how to have a quiet time, send them to an area of the cabin (not to their bunks!) to read and study. Make sure students start and end on time because of the tight morning schedule.

Recreation Coordinator

Assign one adult in the group to be the recreation coordinator of the group. They can help students get organized into tournaments, plan recreation activities for rainy days, and even create ideas for late night activities before devotional times. Make sure every person in the group has something to do during recreation. Keeping students busy (and not sleeping) during recreation means everyone will sleep better at night.

Serve the Servants

Find creative ways to serve Falls Creek staff. Write encouraging notes, bring snacks, etc. Remember to encourage the cooks in your cabin, too. Teach students about exemplifying Christ by serving people.

Student Leadership

Prior to camp, assign your student leaders a responsibility for camp preparation and a role during camp. If they know early, students can help teach your in-cabin Bible studies, share their testimony, help with lights out, plan in-cabin recreation options, and more.

Create a Standard

If adults reserve seats early each night for your group, you will need a way for your students to find their seats when they enter. Create a tall, easily seen “standard” for your group to mark your row of seats and represent your group or camp theme. Standards must be lowered to the ground during the service and not block the view of people in rows behind your group. Enter your standard in the standard design contest. More details can be found on [page 50](#).

Theme Nights/Days

Many groups have special meals or themes for each day or evening. Consider an emphasis for each day in your camp preparations so that students can bring clothing for that day’s theme. Some ideas might include: Fiesta Night, Dress-Up Night, 80’s Night, All American Night, etc. Be creative, but make sure the theme will not distract other groups or from the goals of camp, especially if they wear their theme gear to the evening service.

Trash Pick Up

Add outside trash pickup around your cabin to your KP or bathroom assignment lists. Be intentional about keeping trash picked up in the area around your cabin, so the campground will be clean all summer long. Some groups use trash pickup as discipline, but it may be better to use it as a way of humbly serving others.

Returning Home Ideas

The success of Falls Creek is determined by the lives of students when they leave camp. Teenagers are learning how to walk with God, so they will need encouragement, ideas and accountability to help them continue to practice what they learned at Falls Creek. In camp preparation, remember to think through specific ways you can prepare your students to go home after camp. These are a few ideas for your church to continue kingdom work at home.

Baptism

Have a date in mind for a baptismal service, so that every student that accepts Christ will know before camp when they can be baptized. If possible, do the baptism counseling while you are still at camp. The Pursuit CD includes a resource to help students understand the purpose of baptism. If a student cannot participate in the first baptism service, do not give up. Continue to work with each student until they have been baptized. If baptism was important to Jesus, it should be important to us. A baptism resource, complete with creative ideas for celebrating baptisms, can be found on the resources page at www.skopos.org/resources.

Bible Study Plan

When students go home after camp, help them move beyond camp by connecting them to the Devotional to End all Devotionals, a nine month Bible study found at www.skopos.org/devo. The Devotional to End all Devotionals is a study designed to equip students to study the Bible on their own. After students work through this 36 week study, they will be able to meet with God and pull truths from His Word on their own.

Follow Up

Recruit and equip adults not going to camp to help with following up with students after camp. When a student makes a decision, contact an adult doing follow up back home and ask them to pray and prepare to meet once a week with that student for four weeks to help with questions and needs. An easy four week mentor guide is included with The Pursuit follow up resource provided to every student who makes a decision during camp. The Pursuit is online at skopos.org/pursuit.

Students Sharing

Plan ways for students to share their faith when they get home. When students get excited about sharing their faith at camp, they need to know there is a plan to take the excitement home. What will your plan be for your community?

Sunday School

Before camp, give the names of all the students attending camp from a specific grade/class to the teacher of that Sunday School class or small group. Ask teachers to call students on Saturday night (after camp) to introduce themselves and to invite them to Sunday morning Bible study the next day. Also, look for the special THIRST Sunday School Series (downloadable at skopos.org/sscurriculum) available for you to use as you return home to carry on the Falls Creek experience and further develop your students.

1.3 REGISTRATION

FIVE ELEMENTS OF PARTICIPATION

Every lead sponsor should read this section. To register online, you are asked to agree to these requirements.

Falls Creek allows for a great deal of individual church flexibility, to allow each group their own unique camp experience. To participate in Falls Creek, you must be a BGCO church or agree to the Statement of Participation from the BGCO Board of Directors. With hundreds of new churches over the past few years and many programming changes, it is important that every church understands the specific requirements to attend the greatest youth camp in the world, Falls Creek.

Every church attending Falls Creek agrees to the following:

1. Group participation in the Morning Tabernacle Experience.
2. Group participation in the Evening Tabernacle Experience.
3. Assure that their students and sponsors agree to the camp code of conduct ([page 23](#)).
4. Inform and enforce camp dress code rules with their students and sponsors ([page 23](#)).
5. Provide a Biblically focused meaningful morning quiet time, morning in-cabin Bible study, and evening devotion.

In-cabin Bible study and cabin wrap-up/evening cabin devotional materials are provided in this resource or online at www.skopos.org/resources. Quiet time materials are provided in the Student Guide given to every student and sponsor at registration on Monday of their camp week (also available online at www.skopos.org/resources by May 1, 2013). Churches may use the provided materials to align with the theme of the day or they may use their own materials. But, each church must conduct a quiet time, morning Bible study, and evening devotion with their students at the appropriate times within the daily schedule.

Statement for Participation in Falls Creek Youth Camp for Non-BGCO Churches

Falls Creek Youth Encampment is the largest Christian youth camp in America. It was founded and is still operated by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma primarily for the churches of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma (BGCO). Over the camp's long history, many churches have come as guests of BGCO churches and have participated in the youth weeks.

The BGCO Board of Directors requires that all non-BGCO churches participating in a Falls Creek youth week must either be a Southern Baptist church from another state or an Evangelical church that agrees to the basic beliefs of Southern Baptists (as printed below). If a non-BGCO church has a problem with any of the Basic Beliefs stated below, please feel free to contact our office to discuss the attendance requirements with Andy Harrison, the Program Director, (405) 942-3000 ext. 4643. NOTE: since BGCO churches support Falls Creek year-round by giving to the Cooperative Program, Non-BGCO churches are asked to pay a higher registration fee of \$80.00 per person per week to attend Falls Creek (BGCO churches pay \$50.00 per person per week) and a (flat, per church) \$200.00 programming fee.

If a non-SBC church would like to participate on the decision team, we request that they only connect with students from their group. Of course, all students are free to respond to the public invitation given during the Evening Tabernacle Experience Tuesday through Friday.

HOW TO REGISTER YOUR CHURCH

STEP #1: RENTING A CABIN

The very first thing you must do to secure a place for your group at Falls Creek is to procure lodging. Individual churches in Oklahoma own cabins that hold anywhere from 30 to 280 people. These cabins are rented by the churches who own them and not by the Falls Creek office. A cabin contact list can be found online at www.fallscreekok.org/cabins. (Rule of thumb: Never rent a cabin sight unseen. Visit Falls Creek and do a sight inspection of the cabin before securing it for your group.)

- Select the week you want to bring your group to camp.
- Contact cabin owners for rental information.
- Contract with a cabin owner for lodging.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Once you have secured lodging, if you are a BGCO church, you are guaranteed a spot at camp. The same is true if you are a non-BGCO church, if you agree to the Statement of Participation prepared by the BGCO Board of Directors. (This can be found at www.skopos.org/fallscreek/overview/basic-beliefs, or on [page 22](#)).

- A. Determine your group's cabin need(s) based on capacity, rental cost, and necessary amenities. Using your capacity and rental cost criteria, sort and view matching cabins through the Cabin Information System, available online at fallscreekok.org/cabins. The Cabin Information System provides descriptions, photos, and rental contact information for each cabin.
- B. Check if cabins fitting your needs are available for rental through the list of Cabin Rentals by Week, available at www.skopos.org/fallscreek/cabins. This list represents the latest weekly rental information provided by cabin owners to Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center.
- C. If a cabin vacancy appears on the week you wish to attend camp, contact cabin owners (churches or associations) to work out a rental contract or to be added to their rental waiting list.
 - Please know that we understand the potential difficulty in securing a cabin for the first time. If you are having difficulty renting a cabin or if you have cabin rental questions, please feel free to contact Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center, at info@fallscreek.org or **580-369-2101**



STEP #2: ONLINE ORIENTATION

Now that you have secured lodging at camp, visit the Falls Creek Registration page at www.skopos.org/fallscreek/registration to begin the mandatory online orientation. Click on the prompt to begin your orientation experience.

Online orientation is a 33 minute video, followed by a short 15 question quiz, designed to make sure you have a grasp on important camp information. This online orientation **MUST** be viewed and completed by the youth pastor or lead sponsor of your church's group. This video contains vital information which must be shared with all sponsors who attend with your church. All sponsors should also read through the sponsor book thoroughly.

IMPORTANT NOTE: if the lead sponsor or youth minister leaves the church, whoever fills their role will be responsible for this information. Once the video has been viewed, and all questions have been answered correctly, you will be given a unique login code and re-directed to the Falls Creek registration portal to begin your camp registration. Input your code, and you're ready to go!

Please note: You can expedite the online orientation process by attending one of two orientation meetings. The two orientation meetings offered are:

- May 7, 6:30-8:00pm, Southern Hills, OKC
- May 9, 6:30-8:00pm, FBC Owasso

(At these meetings you will be given information which will allow you skip the video and to go directly to the registration page).

- To register for a registration meeting, go to www.skopos.org/events
- Online Orientation & Registration for all eight weeks of youth camp is found online at <http://skopos.org/fallscreek/registration>.
- **Everyone attending camp must be registered online through our online registration system.**



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STEP #4: ON-SITE REGISTRATION

When you arrive at camp on Monday for On-Site Registration, you will need to bring the following to the North lobby of the Tabernacle between 1:00 – 4:00pm

- Your completed church contact sheet (Copy from [page 26](#) or download at www.skopos.org/resources)
- Copies of your student and adult release forms (merged alphabetically) (available on [pages 28-30](#) or at www.skopos.org/resources)

NOTE: Make copies of all completed release forms for each of your students, sponsors, children and cooks (copies of all forms are on [pages 28-30](#) or online at www.skopos.org/resources). The legal parent or guardian of each student must sign the release form. All release forms (student and adult) must be alphabetized together by last name and turned in at registration on Monday of your camp week. Only the Falls Creek 2013 release forms are allowed for registration.

It is imperative that you make an additional copy of all the release forms and bring them to camp. At Onsite Registration on Monday, you will turn in forms. The additional copies of release forms are yours for any emergency trips to the hospital and for your trip home. NOTE: Please make all copies of forms BEFORE coming to camp as there is a limited capacity for copying documents at camp. In addition, we suggest you consider making copies to leave at your church, in each vehicle that carries students to camp, and to leave with multiple adults in your cabin to streamline the process in the event of an emergency.

- Your Falls Creek Youth Camp Background Check Statement of Compliance [page 27](#)
- Cash or check for the full amount of your registration. (Make checks payable to BGCO)
- Volleyball/Softball Registration Form ([page 36](#) or www.skopos.org/resources)
- Any questions you may have for our staff.

A few changes to your registration can be made at Onsite Registration on Monday, but before you leave for camp, all camper names and grades must be entered and release form boxes checked. At Onsite Registration, you will :

- Receive a final copy of your registration forms
- Schedule recreation options and picture times
- Have the opportunity to enlist missionary or summer staff to speak in your cabin (optional)
- Receive parking tags, Student Books, and Registration bracelets once full payment is made. You will not pay for your registration until you arrive at camp on Monday.



STEP #3: REGISTER YOUR GROUP ONLINE

Now that you have completed orientation, you will now set up your registration profile by providing information including a username, password, name, lead sponsor name, contact info, cabin information, week attending camp, and church information. Upon setting up your church profile, you are now free to populate your group's registration for the summer by entering the names of your students and sponsors.

You can also:

- Indicate which sponsors have completed background checks
(Requirements for background checks can be found at www.skopos.org/falls creek/overview/background-checks)
- Indicate which students will serve on the decision team.
- Identify students' grade level. Check off registration forms as they are turned in.

Once you have updated all of your group's information and accounted for all registration forms and background checks, you are ready for on-site registration on the Monday of your designated camp week.

BASIC BELIEFS OF SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, TAKEN FROM THE 2000 BAPTIST FAITH AND MESSAGE

The Scriptures

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is God's revelation of Himself to man. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

God

There is one and only one living and true God. ... The eternal God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence or being.

God the Father

God as Father reigns with providential care over His universe, His creatures, and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purposes of His grace. ... God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ.

God the Son

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ, He was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. ... He honored the divine law by His personal obedience, and in His death on the cross, He made provision for the redemption of men from sin.

God the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. ... He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. ... He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Man

Man was created by the special act of God, in His own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. ... By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. ... The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Salvation

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

God's Purpose of Grace

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. ... All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit

will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end.

The Church

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel. ... and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth. ... This church is an autonomous body. ... The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages.

Baptism & the Lord's Supper

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water. ... It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior, the believer's death to sin, the burial of the life, and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members ... memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

The Lord's Day

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. ... It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion.

The Kingdom

The Kingdom of God includes both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Last Things

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. ... Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly. ... the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell. ... The righteous ... will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Evangelism & Missions

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations ... to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort.

Education

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is co-ordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence ... there

should be a proper balance between academic freedom and academic responsibility. ... The freedom of a teacher in a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the pre-eminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Stewardship

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a holy trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions.

Cooperation

Christ's people should ... organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. ... Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations.

The Christian & the Social Order

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. ... The Christian should oppose in the spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice.

Peace & War

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love. Christian people throughout the world should pray for the reign of the Prince of Peace.

Religious Liberty

Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. ... A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal.

Family

God has ordained the family as the foundational institution of human society. ... Marriage is the unity of one man and one woman in covenant commitment for a lifetime. ... The husband and wife are of equal worth before God, since both are created in God's image. The marriage relationship models the way God relates to His people. ... Children, from the moment of conception, are a blessing and heritage from the Lord.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR FALLS CREEK YOUTH WEEKS

The code of conduct for Falls Creek is intended to assist the many diverse churches and students at camp to have a safe and enjoyable camp experience, while growing in their faith. Falls Creek is designed to help students and adults know and follow God, so the code of conduct prioritizes issues related to a student's faith development in Jesus. Falls Creek youth weeks are planned for youth (those who have completed 6th through 12th grade).

Students are required to attend both the Morning Tabernacle Experience and the Evening Tabernacle Experience each day. After 10:15 p.m., all students should be inside their cabin and should not be outside their cabin without a sponsor until after 6:30 a.m. Groups are allowed to meet around the perimeter of their cabin during late night devotional times, but a sponsor should be with the group at all times and extra care should be taken so other groups are not disturbed. Groups/individuals need to be inside their cabin by 11:45 p.m.

No bands or instrumental groups are allowed to perform outside their cabin walls, except for groups that are an official part of the weekly programming for the whole camp. Headset listening devices and sound systems may be used only inside cabins. Excessive volume from a cabin is not permitted since it can disturb other cabins. No product sales are allowed at Falls Creek unless they have secured a contract through the Falls Creek Office.

Sponsors from each church are responsible for enforcing the code of conduct and camp dress code for their students and adults and for handling discipline issues. At all experiences, church groups must sit together. If the group is too large to find a single location for everyone, the group should divide into smaller groups with adult sponsors in each group. Students will not be permitted to leave the grounds unless accompanied by a sponsor.

Believing that modesty extends beyond the dress code (listed on the right), Falls Creek asks that students refrain from PDA (Public Displays of Affection). Church sponsors should be diligent to communicate this guideline to their students.

It is strongly suggested that churches limit or prohibit their students' use and possession of cell phones and two-way radios. These items can quickly become a distraction to the goals of the week of camp.

Use or possession of illegal drugs, alcohol, or tobacco of any type is not permitted on the grounds during any week of camp. The possession of offensive weapons of any sort is prohibited at Falls Creek. Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center reserves the right to perform a random drug and weapon search at any time and confiscate items that distract from the camp goals or that violate the code of conduct of the camp.

Pets/animals (other than service dogs), fireworks, rock throwing, water fighting, laser pointers, and shaving cream fights are prohibited on the grounds. Masks or any other disguise over the face cannot be worn by anyone outside of their cabin. For the safety of all guests, skates, roller-blades and skateboards are permitted only in the SwiftSkate area and only at designated times. All cycles (uni-, bi-, or tri-) are prohibited on the grounds. Violation of this policy could result in confiscation of equipment. No wading or swimming is allowed in the creeks or lake unless there is a Falls Creek lifeguard present. No swimming/wading pools are allowed at cabins.

All guests are required to show proof of registration or ID to enter or re-enter the conference center grounds. Day guests should leave grounds by midnight. Courtesy Crew will be on duty 24-hours per day. Courtesy Crew, when called upon, will assist the adult leadership of any cabin in dealing with discipline problems that may arise. Courtesy Crew is authorized to enforce the code of conduct and policies of the conference center. Unnecessary and careless traffic is prohibited on Falls Creek grounds. Only conference center operated golf carts, utility carts, or low speed vehicles (LSVs) are permitted. Delivery trucks are not permitted during summer camp weeks except to supply conference center-owned concessions.

Motorcycles may only drive to and from the gate to their cabin or meeting place. Recreation vehicles for living or sleeping purposes are permitted only in designated areas and must register in advance with the Falls Creek Office. All passengers must be seated in the vehicle according to its designated capacity—no passengers are allowed in pickup beds or in the back of vehicles with hatch doors raised.

Falls Creek is a Christian environment that promotes personal encouragement and spiritual development of every camper. Falls Creek does not condone or encourage any activity on grounds that humiliate any camper, including initiation, hazing, and pranks.

DRESS CODE

The intent of the Falls Creek dress code is to provide an equitable dress code for all campers that will encourage modesty above legalism. Parents and church leaders are urged to see that only clothing which meets the policies and regulations of the conference center is brought to Falls Creek. **CAMPERS: Please bring clothing to Falls Creek which fully complies with the following regulations:**

MODESTY

Since Falls Creek is a Christian camp with a distinctly Christian atmosphere, the New Testament principle of modesty should always be the standard for dress at Falls Creek. It is the responsibility of the sponsors from each church to model the standard of modesty and enforce the camp dress code.

GENERAL APPROPRIATENESS

While on Falls Creek grounds campers may not wear apparel that exposes the midriff, is extremely tight fitting, or has writing on the back of pants or shorts. Apparel may not display or promote tobacco, alcohol, controlled substances, or inappropriate language or pictures.

DRESSES AND SHORTS

All shorts and dresses should be modest length. **At Falls Creek, modest shorts are generally defined as shorts that have at least a five inch inseam or longer and dresses and skirts should be four inches from the top of the knee or longer.** Slits in dresses and skirts should also be modest in length. All apparel must cover the shoulder. Dresses must include accessory wear under or over any straps that do not cover the shoulder.

SHIRTS AND SHOES

Tank tops are not allowed at Falls Creek. Sleeveless shirts are acceptable, but must go from the neck to the shoulder seam and not be split down the side. Shoes and shirts must be worn at all times outside cabins, except while swimming.

SWIMMING

Modest swimming suits are appropriate while swimming. A dark t-shirt must be worn over two-piece swimming suits. Males should not wear tight fitting swimming suits. While going to and from the swimming areas, all campers must wear shoes; males must wear a t-shirt and females must wear a long covering over their swimming suits.

ADULT SPONSORS / CAMPER SAFETY

Lead Sponsor

Each church is required to appoint a lead sponsor. The lead sponsor serves as the church contact person during the week and can be the pastor, youth minister, or a lay person. Churches must also provide a minimum of one sponsor for every ten youth with **at least one male and one female sponsor**. Some churches select junior sponsors to attend with their group; usually these are young college students.



Sponsor Expectations

Adult sponsors attending Falls Creek Youth Camp should adhere to the expectations listed below:

- Set the moral and spiritual example for the group.
- Model and enforce the camp code of conduct and dress code.
- Be responsible for the attendance of their students at BOTH tabernacle experiences each day.
- Use every moment during the week to equip and encourage students to follow Christ in their daily lives.
- Spend one-on-one time with students in their cabin to hear their salvation story and/or to share Christ with them.
- Have at least one sponsor/staff member from their church attend the 9:05 a.m. daily update Tuesday-Friday in Massey Chapel (north side of the tabernacle).

Sponsor Selection

Sponsors set the tone for the week. If a sponsor has a great attitude, students will have a great week at camp. If sponsors are godly role models and use their influence wisely for the kingdom, there will be more spiritual impact during the week. Please only recruit and take adult sponsors that encourage your students toward the goals of camp.

Camper Safety

Zero-Tolerance Policy

Falls Creek is committed to a positive, uplifting, Christian environment. Falls Creek does not tolerate and expressly prohibits sexual harassment and sexual abuse. This policy applies to everyone at Falls Creek, including employees, board members, volunteers, sponsors, campers, contractors, and vendors of Falls Creek. Suspected violations of this policy are to be reported immediately to a Falls Creek administrator. Upon completion of an investigation, suspected violators of this policy will be removed from the grounds of Falls Creek. Employees of Falls Creek who are suspected of violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment and criminal prosecution may ensue. Suspected abuse or neglect of a minor, whether on or off Falls Creek property or whether perpetrated by Falls Creek personnel or others, will be reported to state authorities, as required by law.

Background Checks

Falls Creek Youth Camp requires that each church perform criminal **background checks on all sponsors 18 years of age or older** attending with their group.

Below, the BGCOC has offered a few recommendations as service providers for these checks. These providers all charge a small fee for their services; check with each service provider for pricing verification. Churches are not required to use the recommended service providers and may choose any reputable provider of background checks of their choice. The organizations listed below are provided as a means of convenience and easy reference.

Background checks are run by service providers on behalf of the churches. The church will be responsible for the information contained in the reports and maintain it in privacy. Falls Creek will not seek possession of, nor view the reports. What Falls Creek will require is the Background Check Compliance Form, which warrants the checks were run. This form is available on [page 27](#) or at skopos.org/resources Falls Creek will honor background checks for 18 months from the date of the check.

Here are three options for background check providers.

SHIELD CHECKS

www.shieldscreening.com

800-260-373

PRAESIDIUM CHECKS

<http://www.praesidiuminc.com/bgco.php>

817-801-7773

TRAK-1 CHECKS

<https://www.trak-1.com>

800-600-8999

Registration Nuggets of Wisdom

Every church bringing a group to Falls Creek must register and pay separately, even if sharing a cabin or cooperating to have camp. This will help with registration fees and for accurate records on which BGCOC and non-BGCOC churches are present each week. Most importantly, though, this helps Falls Creek to know who is on grounds each week in the case of an emergency. If students from another church are just joining your group and no adults from that church are coming, you may register as one church.

Release Forms

A 2013 release form for every person staying overnight with your church, signed and alphabetized, must be brought to On-site Registration. Wristbands will not be printed without an official 2013 Falls Creek release form. Remember, extra copies of signed release forms are essential for each church to keep with them while at Falls Creek. Both of the acceptable release forms are included in this book on **pages 28-30** or they can be downloaded at www.skopos.org/resources.

Wristbands

A personalized wristband for every registrant is generated at On-site Registration. Please make sure each student and sponsor receives a wristband with their correct information assigned at registration on Monday. If a student or sponsor loses their wristband, they may purchase a replacement in the Falls Creek Office or at the Riverfront Recreation Field for \$1.00. If a wristband breaks, a free replacement can be given to them if they return the broken wristband to the Falls Creek Office or the RecHut at the Riverfront Recreation Field. **Students and sponsors are required to wear their wristband all week.** Every full-time camper, part-time camper, or day guest must have a wristband on at all times while on grounds at Falls Creek. No person will be allowed to remain on grounds without a wristband. A wristband will be required to re-enter the gate, participate in recreation, ride a shuttle bus, purchase concessions, purchase from the gift shop, and enter the tabernacle.

Full-time and Part-time Registrants

Falls Creek is for students who have completed the 6th grade through the 12th grade. All registrants who have not completed the 6th grade must be accompanied by a parent. The Falls Creek Program Director recommends that students who have completed the 6th grade be a part of the youth group for at least the past year before attending Falls Creek Youth Camp weeks.

Full-time registrants are those attending Monday through Friday or Saturday. Part-time registrants are those attending four days or fewer.

Part-time registrants coming later than Monday can register at the Falls Creek Office. The best system for registering part-time campers is at Onsite Registration on Monday. To register part-time campers on Monday, the day of their arrival has to be known and their release forms must be on hand. This allows for the entire registration fee for your group to be paid at once on Monday and for all wristbands needed for the week to be issued. When part-time registrants arrive at the gate later in the week, gate staff will have their names on a list and they can give them directions to their cabin. If the part-time registrant has NOT completed their release form, they will be directed to the Falls Creek Office after paying/entering the gate where they will have to complete all their forms before they can proceed to your cabin.

One day guests (not staying overnight) should pay at the gate. No release form is required for day only guests. Every guest staying overnight must have a release form on file with the Falls Creek Office and a background check completed by the church they are visiting. Only registrants (those who have completed a release form) can participate in any recreation or ride on shuttle buses. Please inform drive-in guests (parents, church members, staff, etc.) that every person entering grounds must pay a day registration fee and the driver must show ID (see below for the day registration fees).

Registration Fees

The lead sponsor should be prepared to pay the full registration amount for all part-time and full-time students, sponsors, children, cooks and early arrivals with exact change or a check when at On-site Registration on Monday in the north end of the tabernacle. Make checks payable to the BGCO. The online registration system will calculate the exact amount needed for registration after you enter all student and sponsor names attending.

Day Guests

If a guest is visiting camp for the day and will not be staying overnight, payment must be made at the gate and a visitor wristband will be issued. All guests must leave grounds by midnight on the day they arrive. All drive-in guests must show a valid driver's license.

Early Arrivals

Students are not allowed to stay the night on Falls Creek grounds on Saturday or Sunday during the summer. Adult sponsors may stay overnight on Sunday if they are setting up the cabin, but the cabin owner should be aware that the group is using the cabin early. If adult sponsors from your church will be arriving early, please mark the number of adults in the "Early Arrivals" section of your online registration. Adult sponsors arriving on Sunday will pick up their keys at the Main Gate after 2:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. There is an additional \$10.00 per day, per person fee (\$16.00 for non-BGCO churches) for sponsors staying overnight on the weekends.

Registration Cost

- BGCO Churches Full-Time: \$50.00 per person for the week (students, sponsors or cooks)
- BGCO Churches Part-Time: \$10.00 per day per person
- Non-BGCO Churches Full-Time: \$80.00 per person for the week (students, sponsors, or cooks)
- Non-BGCO Churches Part-Time: \$16.00 per day per person, there is also a \$200 per church programming fee for all Non- BGCO churches
- Children six and under attending with their parents: \$2.00 per day per child (children over 6 years will be charged the student rate)
- Sponsor Early Arrivals: additional \$10.00 per day per person (\$16.00 for non-BGCO churches) for sponsors staying overnight on Sunday to drop off supplies and set up their cabin.
- Day Visitors (over the age of 6, not staying overnight): \$10.00 per day, \$3.00 after 5:00 PM

Falls Creek 2013 Church Contact Sheet

Attach this sheet to your Falls Creek registration and bring with you to onsite registration on monday of your camp week.

Church Name: _____ City: _____

Please Circle One: **BGCO** **NON-BGCO**

Week attending: 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 *(Please circle one.)*

Church Address: _____ Church Phone: (____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

On Grounds Contact Person : _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Cabin: _____

Onsite Registration Check List:

- _____ 1) Online Registration Complete
- _____ 2) Background Check Compliance Sheet
- _____ 3) Church Contact Sheet
- _____ 4) All Registration Forms completed including medical information, and signatures (student & parent)
- _____ 5) All forms alphabetized and merged (student forms with sponsor forms)
- _____ 6) Total Payment (cash or check only)/ Checks made payable to BGCO

*I verify that all forms have been checked for accuracy and are complete, and that I have the above check list items. **I also verify I have reviewed and understand the 5 elements of participation, the code of conduct, and the dress code and agree to insure my group abides by them.***

Student Minister and/or Lead Sponsor

Date



Falls Creek Youth Camp Background Check Statement of Compliance:



This form is turned in upon arrival at
Falls Creek onsite registration.

The volunteering Adult Sponsors named below are known to the staff or recognized leadership of the participating church and the church knows of no reason why any should not serve as a sponsor for children and youth under the age of eighteen (18).

The participating church warrants that it has used _____ to perform nationwide criminal
(NAME OF COMPANY)

background checks that include a check of the National Registry of Sex Offenders on all Adult Sponsors. The participating church warrants it has run these checks within the last 18 months (from date of camp) and further verifies that it has brought no Adult Sponsor not listed on this form.

Names of all Adult Sponsors:

- | | |
|-----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 15. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 18. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 19. _____ |
| 10. _____ | 20. _____ |

Church Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Youth Pastor/Lead Sponsor Signature Name Printed Date

Falls Creek 2013 Adult Release and Waiver of Claims Form

Adult Name:

Host Church: _____ Cabin: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

In Emergency Notify: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Cell or Work Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____ College Attending This Fall (if applicable): _____

Secondary Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

1. Do you have any known allergies or are you unable to take any medication? **Yes No** (Please circle one.) If yes, what? _____

2. Do you presently take any medications regularly? **Yes No** (Please circle one.)
If yes, what medications? _____ For what reason? _____

3. Please List any other medical condition(s) that would be helpful to know: _____

4. Date of last tetanus immunization: _____

5. The above named adult has current medical insurance coverage through:

Insurance Company: _____ Name on Insurance Policy: _____

Insurance Company Phone Number: _____ Policy Number: _____

Mailing Address for Medical Claims (see back of insurance card): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

6. Does your insurance company require notification prior to emergency health care at a hospital? **Yes No** (Please circle one.)

If yes, Phone Number: (_____) _____

It is your responsibility to obtain insurance permission for treatment.

I, _____ will be attending Falls Creek during the summer session, 2013. Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center is managed and operated by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma ("BGCO"). In the event that I should need emergency medical care or attention, the Host Church leadership, the BGCO or any of their agents or employees is hereby authorized to consent to the provision of such emergency medical care, including without limitation, medical, dental, surgical care or hospitalization, to me as is recommended or suggested by a physician, nurse, surgeon or other health care professional.

If such emergency care is provided, I understand that my health insurance information will be given to the health care professional and that any expenses not covered by my insurance shall be my responsibility. I understand that the Host Church or the BGCO will not be obligated to pay either the health care professional or me for any medical expenses incurred.

There are instances when third party contractors are used to operate and supervise various events and activities. In those instances where third party contractors are used, I agree that neither the Host Church nor the BGCO is responsible for the action of these third party contractors. I further agree that neither the Host Church nor the BGCO is liable for the actions or activities of participants or sponsors participating in events or activities operated by third party contractors.

I understand that the risk of injury from any recreational activity is significant, including, but not limited to, the potential for permanent paralysis and death. While particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist. I knowingly and freely assume all risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from negligence, and assume full responsibility for my participation in or observation of such recreational activity.

Furthermore, in consideration of being allowed to attend Falls Creek camp, I hereby waive, and I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Host Church, the BGCO, their agents or employees, against any and all causes of action, rights, claims or suits which I may have against the Host Church, the BGCO, or their agents or employees as a result of injury to me, including, but not limited to: (1) injuries arising from participation in or observation of recreational activities at Falls Creek, and (2) injuries arising from the decision of the leadership of the Host Church, the BGCO, or any of their agents or employees to consent to the provision of emergency medical care to me.

I understand that my image may be included in a video or in photographs that may be made during camp. I understand that a promotional or highlight video may be available for sale during and after camp. I consent that my image may appear on videos, promotional resources, camp endorsed web sites, etc.

I give authority and permission to the Host Church, the BGCO, and any of their staff or agents to inspect my belongings while at Falls Creek.

I have read and agree to the Falls Creek Code of Conduct and Dress Code and will abide by them.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Must be 18 years old or older to sign this form. Every adult attending Falls Creek must complete this Release Form and turn it in on the first day of camp during registration.

These forms are available at www.skonos.org/resources

Church:

Falls Creek 2013 Student Release and Waiver of Claims Form (1 of 2)

Please fully COMPLETE this form. It is two pages, front and back (or adjoining page)

Student Name: _____

Host Church: _____ Cabin: _____

Camper Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student E-mail: _____

In Emergency Notify: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell or Work Phone: (____) _____

Secondary Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: (____) _____

1. Does camper have any known allergies or is camper unable to take any medication? **Yes No** (Please circle one.) If yes, what? _____

2. Does camper presently take any medications regularly? **Yes No** (Please circle one.)

If yes, what medications? _____ For what reason? _____

3. Please List any other medical condition(s) that would be helpful to know: _____

4. Date of last tetanus immunization: _____

5. The above named child has current medical insurance coverage through:

Insurance Company: _____ Name on Insurance Policy: _____

Insurance Company Phone Number: _____ Policy Number: _____

Mailing Address for Medical Claims (see back of insurance card): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

6. Does your insurance company require notification prior to emergency health care at a hospital?

If yes, Phone Number: (____) _____

7. Will a parent of the Camper attend Falls Creek during the same period of time as the Camper? **Yes No** (Please circle one.)

If yes, name of parent: _____

Church: _____

Please continue to the back or adjoining page. All forms MUST be fully completed.

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Parents:

Your child is required to abide by the Falls Creek dress code and code of conduct while at camp.

As a means of acknowledging and agreeing to this, their signature is required on the second page of this form.

Falls Creek 2013 Student Release and Waiver of Claims Form (2 of 2)

I understand that it is the responsibility of my child's Host Church to obtain insurance permission for treatment or to limit my child's recreational activities because of a stated medical condition.

My child, _____ will be attending Falls Creek during the summer session, 2013. Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center is managed and operated by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma ("BGCO"). In the event that my child should need emergency medical care or attention, the Host Church leadership, the BGCO or any of their agents or employees is hereby authorized to consent to the provision of such emergency medical care, including without limitation, medical, dental, surgical care or hospitalization, to my child as is recommended or suggested by a physician, nurse, surgeon or other health care professional.

• If such emergency care is provided, I understand that my health insurance information will be given to the health care professional and that any expenses not covered by my insurance shall be my responsibility. I understand that the Host Church or the BGCO will not be obligated to pay either the health care professional or me for any medical expenses incurred.

There are instances when third party contractors are used to operate and supervise various events and activities. In those instances where third party contractors are used, I agree that neither the Host Church nor the BGCO is responsible for the action of these third party contractors. I further agree that neither the Host Church nor the BGCO is liable for the actions or activities of participants or sponsors participating in events or activities operated by third party contractors.

• I understand that the risk of injury from any recreational activity is significant, including, but not limited to, the potential for permanent paralysis and death. While particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist. I knowingly and freely assume all risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from negligence, and assume full responsibility for my child's participation in or observation of such recreational activity.

• Furthermore, in consideration of my child being allowed to attend Falls Creek camp, I, on behalf of myself and my child, hereby waive, and I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Host Church, the BGCO, their agents or employees, against any and all causes of action, rights, claims or suits which I or my child may have against the Host Church, the BGCO, or their agents or employees as a result of injury to my child, including, but not limited to: (1) injuries arising from my child's participation in or observation of recreational activities at Falls Creek, and (2) injuries arising from the decision of the leadership of the Host Church, the BGCO, or any of their agents or employees to consent to the provision of emergency medical care to my child.

• I understand that my child's image may be included in a video or in photographs that may be made during camp. I understand that a promotional or highlight video may be available for sale during and after camp. I consent that my child's image may appear on videos, promotional resources, camp endorsed web sites, etc.

• I give authority and permission to the Host Church, the BGCO, and any of their staff or agents to inspect my child's belongings while at Falls Creek.

• I understand that Falls Creek is a place where many students seek counsel and advice from adult leaders, staff, counselors and others. I hereby consent to my child receiving spiritual and emotional counsel during their week of camp.

• I have received and read the Parent Information about Falls Creek including the list of the recreational options and the daily schedule, and I have received satisfactory answers to all my questions about such information. I have read the Falls Creek Code of Conduct and dress code, and I have reviewed the code of conduct and dress code with my child.

Parent Signature: _____ Relationship to child: _____ Date: _____

All students attending Falls Creek must have a parent or guardian complete and sign this release form. This form must be turned in to the Falls Creek staff during registration on the first day of camp.

I have read and agree to the Falls Creek Code of Conduct and Dress Code and will abide by them.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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OBU & BGCO Information Form - The following portion of this document is to be removed from the above by Falls Creek and used by OBU to verify the student's eligibility for the camp scholarship of \$1,000 (once they are in grades 9-12). It will also be used for prize drawings at the end of the week. It is not a required part of this form.

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	MALE	FEMALE	<input type="text"/>
Student's First Name	Student's Last Name	Please Circle One		Grade Just Completed
<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>
Mailing Address				Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)
<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>
City				State
<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>
Phone Number (including area code)				Zip code
<input type="text"/>				<input type="text"/>
Student's Email Address				<input type="text"/>

Parent Information About Falls Creek 2013

What is Falls Creek?

Falls Creek is the largest Christian camp in the world. Nestled in the Arbuckle Mountains in southern Oklahoma, Falls Creek has been in operation since 1917. It is a distinctively Christian camp, upholding high moral standards and challenging students to follow Christ every day.

Falls Creek is unique in that it is a place where over 100 churches come each week to hold their own camp week. Each church secures its own cabin, provides its own sponsors and meals, enforces the dress code and camp code of conduct and teaches its in-cabin devotions. This year's camp theme is "THIRST." The entire week is designed to teach students about Christ quenching our thirst.

If you would like to look in or listen to some of the camp services, you may go to www.skopos.org/fallscreek/media for audio of the services from past summers. We also provide a live stream of the Evening Tabernacle Experience during the summer on weeknights from 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., available at <http://skopos.org/fallscreek/livestream/>.

You may also see copies of the provided camp Bible studies at www.skopos.org/resources

How to Pray this Week

Your students need to know that you and your church are praying for them as they spend the week at camp. We encourage you to pray each day specifically for your child and at least one other student on the trip. You may want to meet once during the week as parents to pray specifically for the group. Please pray for the safety of the camp, camp leadership, sponsors, and for the specific daily events as they happen.

Recreation

Volleyball, softball, basketball, horseshoes, high and low ropes course, challenge elements, skateboarding, hiking, running, kayaks, lake park, water slides, and swimming are scheduled for the week of camp. In addition to these camp wide recreation options, each church designs its own recreation plan for its cabin. If you would like more information about Falls Creek recreation, you can go to www.skopos.org/fallscreek/around-grounds or e-mail youth@bgco.org.

Insurance & First Aid

Accident and illness insurance is provided for all those attending Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center. Most injuries or illnesses that occur during the week of camp are covered by insurance. Accident and illness insurance benefits are limited and payable up to a certain amount.

The insurance coverage includes accidents and illnesses that occur during regularly scheduled activities on the grounds of Falls Creek. The insurance coverage also includes the time spent traveling directly between the conference center grounds and the camper's residence. Day trips or other activities off the conference center grounds are not covered. To apply for accident and illness insurance benefits, a claim report must be completed and submitted to the

insurance provider. The claim report form may be obtained at the First Aid Station at Falls Creek. For claims submitted to the accident and illness insurance company, the injured ill person is responsible for making payment to the medical provider (hospital, ER, doctor, etc.). If coverage applies, the insurance company will issue reimbursement directly to the injured person, parent, or guardian, as the case may be, for approved claims.

A RELEASE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH CAMPER AND SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

This information is helpful to the camp physician in ministering to an injured or ill person.

Most minor injuries or illnesses are taken care of in the church cabin. However, if medical attention should be required, the sponsor (or an adult appointed by the sponsor) should come with the patient to the First Aid Station. If the illness or accident should be of a serious nature, patients may be sent to a hospital or doctor in a nearby town.

Other Camp Information

Falls Creek Code of Conduct

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It is strongly suggested that churches limit or prohibit their students' use and possession of cell phones and two-way radios. These items can quickly become a distraction to the goals of the week of camp.

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All guests are required to show proof of registration or ID to enter or re-enter the conference center grounds. Day guests should leave grounds by midnight. Courtesy Crew will be on duty 24-hours per day. Courtesy Crew, when called upon, will assist the adult leadership of any cabin in dealing with discipline problems that may arise. Courtesy Crew is authorized to enforce the code of conduct and policies of the conference center.

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DRESS CODE

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DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday

1:00-4:00 p.m. Registration (north tabernacle entrance)
5:45 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Seat Reservations (south tabernacle entrance)
6:45 p.m. Invitation Training
(chapel exterior doors open at 6:30 p.m.)
6:55 p.m. Tabernacle Doors Open
7:00 p.m. Pre-Session Entertainment/Camp Orientation
7:30 p.m. Evening Tabernacle Experience
10:15 p.m. Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional
11:45 p.m. Inside Cabins

Tuesday – Friday

6:30-7:15 a.m. Daybreak (Tuesday-Thursday)
8:45 a.m. Breakfast
9:05 a.m. Staff/Sponsor Daily Update (chapel/ doors open at 9 a.m.)
9:10 a.m. Doors Open for Middle School (MS) Morning Tabernacle Experience
9:30 a.m. MS Morning Tabernacle Experience (dismiss at 10:40 a.m.)
9:30 a.m. High School (HS) Quiet Time (in cabin until 9:50 a.m.)
10:05 a.m. Doors Open for HS Morning Tabernacle Experience
(south tabernacle entrance/dismiss at 11:15 a.m.)
10:50 a.m. MS Quiet Time (cabin until 11:15 a.m.)
11:30 a.m. In-Cabin Bible Study
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Recreation & Free Time
4:30-5:15 p.m. Seat Reservations (South Tabernacle Entry)
5:45 p.m. Dinner
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Spending Money

Extra spending money is suggested for each student who attends Falls Creek. Pop, ice cream and other refreshments will be sold between sessions and in the evening throughout the week. T-shirts, devotionals, student planners, and many gift items are available at the Falls Creek Gift Shop. All of these are optional expenses.

Mail & Phone Calls

Incoming mail is sorted by the cabin name and can be picked up by a sponsor each day at the Falls Creek Post Office.

Mail sent to campers should be addressed:

Camper Name
Church Name/Cabin Name
Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center
6714 HWY 77D
Davis, OK 73030-8002

! All packages containing medications should be addressed to the First Aid Station and a nurse will deliver the medication to the student.

Falls Creek Office Phone Numbers

(580) 369-2101 or (405) 942-3000 ext. 3221
Please use these numbers for emergency only.

Visiting Falls Creek

If you drive in for a day at Falls Creek, there will be a \$10.00 charge per person for the day or \$3.00 if after 5:00PM. Each driver will also be required to present a valid driver's license for entry into camp. These are day charges only. Any visitor staying overnight will be subject to additional charges including the cost of a mandatory background check.

Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center

Owned and operated by the
Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma
3800 North May Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73112
Falls Creek Conference Center web site, www.fallscreek.org
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WHAT TO BRING

Camper Packing List Suggestions

- Modest athletic clothing for sports activities, (No tank tops or "side-less" shirts). See dress code
- Long shorts (see dress code)
- Closed toe shoes for the ropes course
- Swimsuit (if two piece, bring a dark t-shirt)
- Skateboard, helmet and pads (Falls Creek provides pads if needed)
- Bible
- Notepad
- Pen or Pencil
- Spending money for concessions or gift shop (Optional) Umbrella, flashlight, camera
- Recreation items
- Softball glove
- Volleyball (Balls for games are provided)
- Basketball
- Fishing Tackle
- Ping Pong Paddle

Cabin Items

- Pillow
- Bedding
- Towels
- Hygiene products (don't bring shaving cream unless you shave!)
- Sunscreen/Bug Spray

Student Breakouts & Special Events

Daybreak – Student Leadership Track

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings (6:30 – 7:15 a.m. in the tabernacle), students who have finished the 10th through 12th grades will have the opportunity to engage in a special spiritual leadership track. Point your students toward this extra opportunity to be challenged and grow deeper in their faith.

Personal Evangelism

Our camp pastor will lead a Personal Evangelism Breakout for students on Thursday afternoon, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. This equipping breakout will be held in the Massey Chapel. Students will receive instruction on the means and motivation of personal evangelism.

Worship

Our worship band for the week will host students for a special worship leader conference on Thursday afternoon, 3:15-4:30 p.m., in the Massey Chapel. Students will hear the band's heart for worship, be engaged in a time of Q&A, and possibly move on stage to get an up close look at the band's gear and set up for the week.

New Believer's

We are encouraging students who make a salvation decision at camp to attend our New Believer's Breakout on Friday from 2:00-3:00 p.m., in the Massey Chapel. Students will get instruction on critical steps to take in following up their decision and will receive information on resources that can help them immediately building a strong foundation in their walk with Christ.

Called To Ministry

This breakout is designed for students who make decisions during the week to follow God's leading into vocational ministry. It will be held Friday at 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the West Counseling Room of the Tabernacle. Students will get instruction on critical steps to take in following up their decision and will hear about other resources and events that will be great helps to them in fulfilling God's call on their lives.



1/2 Price Icees

Every day Monday-Friday 1/2 priced icees from 2-4!

Things to Check Out

Check out Falls Creek Live and the Falls Creek Art Project. Ask your youth pastor for details about how to get involved.

Art Project

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Falls Creek LIVE!

Want an opportunity to perform live at Falls Creek? Here is your chance! Again this year, we are giving an opportunity to musically talented students to play a two-song set list at the Mission Village Amphitheater Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday after the evening services. We will accept 3-4 groups per night per week. Falls Creek live is for middle school and high school students only (Sponsor may participate, but only as a member of the band) and both individuals and groups are encouraged to apply. Please know all applicants are reviewed and accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Please have the lead sponsor from your church fill out the application. More information and guidelines can be found at <http://skopos.org/fallscreek/aroundgrounds/falls-creek-live>.



Volleyball / Softball Registration Form

Church: _____ Cabin: _____

Lead Sponsor: _____

Before coming to registration on Monday, the lead sponsor should fill out this form with the names of students/sponsors who will be participating in the volleyball tournaments and softball. Please make copies of this form if you need additional space. All entries should be turned in at registration on Monday. Individuals may participate only if they have been or intend to be in residence at Falls Creek three of the four playing days. Players must be on the team all week and you cannot add players to a team after Tuesday.

The Lead Sponsor from each church should make a copy of this form, before it is turned in at Monday registration, to post inside the cabin during their camp week.

Blue, Pink, & Green Divisions: Youth Team Volleyball

A team may consist of 4-9 players.

Blue Division Team One:

(all youth guys, no sponsors)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

Blue Division Team Two:

(only if you have at least 60 students with your group)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

If you have over 110 students, make an additional copy of this form for a third team. If bracket space allows, my church would like to enter _____ (enter #) more teams in the Blue Division.

Pink Division Team One:

(all youth girls, no sponsors)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

Pink Division Team Two:

(only if you have at least 60 students with your group)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
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6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

If you have over 110 students, make an additional copy of this form for a third team.

If bracket space allows, my church would like to enter _____ (enter #) more teams in the Pink Division.

Green Division Team One:

A team may consist of 4-9 middle school players who just completed the 6th through 8th grade, no sponsors.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

Green Division Team Two:

(only if you have at least 60 students with your group)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

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If bracket space allows, my church would like to enter _____ (enter #) more teams in the Green Division.

Orange Division Sponsor Volleyball:

A team may consist of 4-9 sponsors any mixture of male or female with up to two students. A sponsor is defined as a person who has graduated from high school by one year or more.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

If bracket space allows, my church would like to enter _____ (enter #) more teams in the Orange Division.

Red Division Four-on-Four Open Volleyball Team One:

Players can be male, female, student, or sponsor from the same church.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Red Division Four-on-Four Open Volleyball Team Two:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

If bracket space allows, my church would like to enter _____ (enter #) more teams in the Red Division.

Softball:

Churches that enter a softball team in recreation will play two days of their camp week. Please select which days your team will play. Mark only one.

Tuesday/Thursday _____ Wednesday/Friday _____

If bracket space allows, my church would like to enter _____ (enter #) more teams in the Softball bracket.



Falls Creek In-Cabin Spiritual Decision Card

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Church Home: _____

Decision:

- I have received Christ as my Savior and Lord.
- I want to be baptized.
- I am renewing my commitment to Christ by turning away from some past bad decisions and sin.
- I sense that God is calling me to Christian ministry.
- I want someone to pray for me about _____

Talked with _____ about my spiritual decision.

PLEASE NOTE: This decision card is for your group's use only. They do not need to be turned in to the office.

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Falls Creek Student Profile

Help us get to know you better by filling out this Student Profile. When you are finished, give this profile to the sponsors from your church attending Falls Creek, so they can know how to pray for you at camp.

Name: _____ Grade This Fall: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Twitter: @ _____

What activities are you involved in at school? _____

Tell us briefly about your family: _____

What is your favorite snack? _____

What is your favorite movie? _____

What is your favorite sport? _____

Does your family usually attend church? Yes No

If yes, where? _____

Have you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior? Yes No Unsure

If you are a Christian, when did you accept Christ? _____

Were you baptized after you accepted Christ? Yes No

If yes, where? _____

Which of these have you done in the past week: (Check each one that applies.)

Read the Bible Prayed five minutes a day Memorized a verse of the Bible

Have you ever attended Falls Creek? Yes No

Why do you want to go to Falls Creek? _____

When the adults from our church pray for you, what would you like them to pray for during the week you are at Falls Creek?

2.1 AROUND GROUNDS

Adult Leadership Investment

On Tuesday evening during the Evening Tabernacle Experience, the BGCO Student Ministry staff will offer training and encouragement for church staff and adult volunteers that work with students. The training time takes place from 7:15 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. (to allow leaders to get into the service with their students). This year's training is entitled 'ReCONNECT' and will focus on the small group leader and other Sunday School leaders and how they can connect people to Jesus, His Truth, His Community, and His Mission through Sunday School. Whether you are leading a small group or equipping leaders of small groups, this training is for you!

The leader investment time will be for adult leaders that are involved in the student ministry year round, but other sponsors are welcome if they would like to attend.

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Banner Contest

Each week, two banners that depict the camp theme "THIRST" will be selected and announced before the Tuesday Evening Tabernacle Experience. The size of the banner should be approximately 4' x 8' and designed and produced by the youth group. Sign up for the banner contest will be at the OBU table during registration on Monday. All contestants must hang their banner outside the front of their cabin by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday to be viewed for judging. Winning banners will stay displayed in front of cabins.

Baptism at Falls Creek

The BGCO Board of Directors has approved baptism at Falls Creek when the local church has authorized the baptism. Prior notification must be given to the Falls Creek Office so a Falls Creek staff member can be present (for safety reasons) and authorization from the local church can be documented.

Bus Schedule

Buses operate continuously Tuesday through Friday from 12:50 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Buses pick up and drop off every 5-7 minutes in front of cabin 601, cabin 500, "Nunny" Bridge, Main Gate, Price's Falls, Riverfront Recreation Field, and the Diamond course. Only those with a registered camper wristband may ride the bus. All bus rides around grounds are free of charge.

Cabin Check-In & Maintenance

All cabins on grounds at Falls Creek are owned and maintained by individual churches or associations. Each cabin owner and renting church agrees upon repair and check-in and check-out requirements. Cabin owners should be notified if you are arriving early for set up. Please reference your contract for check-in and check-out procedures.

Group leaders may contact the Falls Creek Office for cabin maintenance needs during the week. Each cabin owner and renter will be responsible for making their own arrangements for any service and repair needs. The following listing is provided for your convenience, but should not be considered an exhaustive listing or an endorsement by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. Most cabin owners require they be contacted before any repairs are done to cabins.

Advance Appliance Repair (AR)

Ardmore, OK
(580) 226-5508

Allied Services (AC/R/P)

Ardmore, OK
(580) 223-5434

Crowe Refrigeration Heat & Air (AC/R)

Chase Crowe
Davis, OK.
(580)369-3939

Dewayne Jennings Construction

Dewayne Jennings
(580)229-0672
General Construction & Remodeling

Giltner & Haigood Heat & Air (AC/R)

Austin Giltner
Wynnewood, OK
(405) 207-4739 or (405) 238-4073

Pan American Electric (E)

Mark or Terry Deen
Davis, OK
(580) 369-3336

Pitmon Oil & Gas (BG)

Davis, OK
(580) 369-3135

Royal Flush Plumbers (P)

Rob Doss
Davis, OK
(580) 369-8265

Sooner Home Furnishings (AR)

Pauls Valley, OK
(405) 238-3334

Thomas Heat & Air (AC/R)

John Thomas
Roff, OK
(580) 456-7100 or (866) 877-7100 (toll free)

Trinity Electric (E)

Dennis Chapman
Elmore City, OK
(580)788-4768 or (405)487-8204

Yates Construction

Paul Yates
Davis, OK
(580)369-8862
General Construction & Remodeling

CODES:

AC - Air Conditioning

AR - Appliance Repair

BG - Butane Gas

E - Electrical

P - Plumbing

R - Refrigeration

Contact Information

Mail addressed to campers should use the following form

Name of Camper
Church Name/Cabin Name
Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center
6714 HWY 77D
Davis, OK 73030-8002

Mail is sorted by cabin name. One person should be designated to pick up the church mail every day at the Falls Creek Post Office. **Any medication should be sent to the First Aid Station**, and a note will be sent to the student to pick up their medication. Make sure to include student and church information when sending medications. When sending packages, please only send through the USPS. The Falls Creek office cannot sign for packages sent to individuals or churches. Make sure to include student and church information when sending medications.

Falls Creek Phone Numbers

Office: (580) 369-2101 or (405) 942-3000 ext. 3333

Cook-Off



The Fall Creek Cook-Off continues in 2013, but with all new categories, including Grand Champion! The new categories are: Meats (any meat dish), Sweets (any dessert or sweet treat), and The Best of the Rest (any side dish). The Grand Champion will be named from the winners of the other three categories.

To participate in the cook-off, food items entered into the Cook-Off must be:

- Prepared and entered into the competition by adult sponsors.
- "Homemade" and served in your cabin during your week of camp to all students.
- Delivered in disposable containers to the cafeteria since no dishware will be returned.
- Delivered to the cafeteria after 4:30 p.m. and no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Either the cook who prepared the dish or a representative must fill out an entry card at the cafeteria when dropping off the entry. Dishes will be judged at 5:00 p.m. Thursday evening. Winning dishes will be announced Friday night before the Evening Tabernacle Experience. Cooks do not have to be present during the judging. Please provide a written copy of the recipe to be shared with other groups in the future. Past recipes can be found online at www.skopos.org/resources.

Crisis Intervention/LPC

During the week, a crisis intervention counselor will be on grounds to assist church leaders and individual students with immediate counseling needs. All appointments must be made by a sponsor at the First Aid Station. There is no charge for the intervention counseling services and their referral. For more information, stop by the First Aid Station.

Emergency Procedures

Emergency Siren

Emergency sirens will never be a drill. At the sound of one continuous siren, please move immediately into the nearest cabin or building, get in the innermost room on the bottom floor, and wait until the "all-clear" signal is sounded. The "all-clear" signal will be when the siren repeatedly goes on, then off.

Camp Evacuation Process

All participants of Falls Creek need to be conscious of any type of open flame while on Falls Creek grounds. In the event of a fire, the need to evacuate Falls Creek or parts of Falls Creek may become necessary. Falls Creek staffers will assist campers in locating the appropriate evacuation routes and guide them to designated areas. The primary evacuation routes will be through the North Gate and Main Gate, using the low road through Price's Falls and walking north to the softball fields. The Falls Creek Staff will provide guidance for an evacuation using the Emergency Notification System which is a text based system.

Emergency Notification System

We will once again utilize a texting system to notify leaders in emergency situations. When you arrive at on-site registration, you will be provided with a number to participate in this Emergency Notification System. We will use this system to communicate important information in the event of a camp-wide emergency.

Reporting Emergencies

If you have an emergency to report or need help, contact security at the Falls Creek Office: (580) 369-2101 or (405) 942-3000 ext. 3333.

First Aid

For the health and safety of campers, the First Aid Station has suggested that each church bring First Aid Kit for minor accidents or illnesses. Sponsors are encouraged to bring their campers to the First Aid Station for occurrences that cannot be properly cared for in the cabin.

Suggested First Aid Kit Items

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted bandages | <input type="checkbox"/> Tweezers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antiseptic | <input type="checkbox"/> Mild pain reliever – |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aloe Vera or Benzocaine | <input type="checkbox"/> Tylenol or Advil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adhesive tape | <input type="checkbox"/> Fever thermometer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Triple antibiotic ointment | <input type="checkbox"/> Antacid – Mylanta or Maalox |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sterile gauze squares, assorted sizes | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect repellent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benadryl or Cortaid cream | <input type="checkbox"/> Kaopectate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roller gauze – Kling | <input type="checkbox"/> Skin cream or lotion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scissors | <input type="checkbox"/> Benadryl capsules, chewable tablets and/or liquid |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stool softener/laxative | <input type="checkbox"/> Ziplock bags for ice |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Ace bandages |

When campers need medical attention at the First Aid Station, a church sponsor must accompany them. If illnesses or accidents are of a serious nature, patients may be sent to a hospital in a nearby town, but they should first report to the First Aid Station for a referral.

Please observe office hours (see [page 3](#)) as much as possible. However, someone will be on 24-hour call for life-threatening

Emergencies (go to the Falls Creek Office between 10:15 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.). It is suggested that non-emergency incidents or illnesses that occur after 10:15 p.m. receive medical attention in Sulphur at Arbuckle Memorial Hospital/(580) 622-2161 or Ardmore at Mercy Memorial Health Center/(580) 223-5400

A release form must be completed for each student by a parent or guardian. All sponsors and cooks must also complete and submit a completed release form. All release forms will be filed in the First Aid Station immediately following registration on Monday. **Please make sure that a second copy (or multiple extra copies) of release forms are made for you to keep during the week of camp in case of a hospital visit or if you have problems traveling home on Saturday. The release forms that are held at first aid will not be returned to you after you turn them in on Monday. Please make all extra copies before coming to camp. Copying services are very limited on site.**

GATES SYSTEM

Use the chart below and your cabin number to determine your easiest access point for camp.

USE LOW ROAD:

(Price's Falls Gate) 100's
200's
300's
400's
700, 701, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 717

USE HIGH ROAD:

(Main Gate) 500's
600's
Remainder of the 700's

During the week, the Main Gate will be accessible 24 hours a day; however, entry process will not begin until 8:00 a.m. on Monday and 6:00 a.m. Tuesday through Friday. All day guests who are leaving after the evening devotional should exit camp through the Main Gate by midnight to honor the inside cabin curfew at 11:45 p.m.

During registration on Monday of your camp week, you will be provided car tags for every vehicle on grounds with your church. The car tag will have a gate code listed for entering the Main Gate after hours. This code should only be used for vehicles with your church.

Falls Creek LIVE!

Want an opportunity to perform live at Falls Creek? Here is your chance! Again this year, we are giving an opportunity to musically talented students to play a two-song set list at the Mission Village Amphitheater Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday after the evening services. We will accept 3-4 groups per night per week. Falls Creek live is for middle school and high school students only (Sponsor may participate, but only as a member of the band) and both individuals and groups are encouraged to apply. Please know all applicants are reviewed and accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Please have the lead sponsor from your church fill out the application. More information and guidelines can be found at <http://skopos.org/falls-creek/aroundgrounds/falls-creek-live>.

Grocery & Bulk Food Items

There is no grocery store on grounds at Falls Creek Conference Center. Grocery stores located near camp in Davis, Sulphur, or Ardmore include:

Sooner Foods: 705 E Main St, Davis, OK 73030 (580) 369-2334

Wal-Mart Super Center: 2705 West Broadway, Sulphur, OK 73086 (580) 622-6146

Wal-Mart Super Center: 1715 No. Commerce St, Ardmore, OK 73401 (580) 226-1257

If a group would like to order food in bulk for camp, the group leader can contact any of the food services below and they will deliver on Monday of your camp week to Price's Falls.

Food Service Suppliers

Ben E. Keith: (405) 201-1522

Cable Meat & Food Service: (800) 522-1602

Heartland Dairy: (580) 223-3113.

Sysco: (580) 221-1900

U.S. Foods: (580) 812-1442

Insurance

Accident and illness insurance is provided for all those attending Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center. Most injuries or illnesses that occur during the week of camp are covered by insurance. Accident and illness insurance benefits are limited and payable up to a certain amount. The insurance coverage includes accidents and illnesses that occur during regularly scheduled activities on the grounds of Falls Creek. The insurance coverage also includes the time spent traveling directly between the conference center grounds and the camper's residence. Trips to Turner Falls or other activities off the conference center grounds are not covered. For claims submitted to the accident and illness insurance company, the injured/ill person is responsible for making payment to the medical provider (hospital, ER, doctor, etc.). If coverage applies, the insurance company will issue reimbursement directly to the injured person, parent, or guardian, as the case may be, for approved claims. To apply for accident and illness insurance benefits, a claim report must be completed and submitted to the insurance provider. The claim report form may be obtained at the First Aid Station at Falls Creek.

Invitation in the Evening Tabernacle Experience

Every summer Falls Creek provides the opportunity for students to share their faith by training spiritually mature upperclassmen students to do the first step of the counseling process at the close of the Evening Tabernacle Experience. Each church should pray through and select students from their church that are 16-20 years old, committed to Christ and have shown leadership in the youth ministry. The lead sponsor will recommend those qualified in the online registration process. This is a great way to equip students who are ready to help their peers know Christ.

Three different teams of individuals will be needed for the decision process

- (1) The first team is the **Decision Team**. This team will be 16-20 year old students who will do the peer spiritual counseling. Their main task will be to sit down with one of their peers, walk them through the simple counseling material, and pray with the person making the decision.
- (2) The second team is the **Encourager Team**. This team will be adult lay and staff church leaders who will talk briefly with every student who made a decision, after they have prayed with the student from the Decision Team. The Encourager Team checks the decision card information and gives the student making the decision instruction on follow-up materials to help them in their new or renewed journey with Christ. Follow up materials this year will be found online. Information on how to access them can be found in our newly designed Spiritual Commitment Guides used in the invitation process.
- (3) The third team is the **Advisor Team**. This team will be pastors and youth pastors who will walk among the Decision Team while the counseling is taking place to be available when a student needs assistance.

Everyone helping with the invitation (Decision Team, Encourager Team, and Advisor Team) should view the Invitation Training video segment on the 2013 camp DVD and participate in a training session on Monday or Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. in Massey Chapel. Exterior doors to the chapel will open at 6:30 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday for students and adult sponsors to enter for the Invitation Training.

All invitation team members must be an active member of a Southern Baptist church and be available each evening to meet briefly with students after the Evening Tabernacle Experience. Students who participate in the Decision Team must be recommended from their church leadership as a part of the online registration process. If a non-SBC church would like to participate on the decision team, we request that they only connect with students from their group. Of course, all students are free to respond to the public invitation given during the Evening Tabernacle Experience Tuesday through Friday.

Follow Up

It is imperative that each church has a plan to follow up on the students who make decisions during their week at Falls Creek. Any student that accepts Christ during a week at camp should have a mentor assigned to them to help them work through The Pursuit follow-up material that is available at www.skopos.org/pursuit. Before leaving camp on Saturday, someone should speak individually with each student that accepted Christ about baptism and being a part of the church.

The most important aspect of camp is following up on the decisions that were made at camp. A 14 year-old student may understand enough to accept Christ or restore their commitment to Christ, but often they do not know how to follow Christ daily. It is the task of the local church staff and lay leadership to help the students after Falls Creek continue in their journey with God. Additional ideas about preparing for home can be found in the ideas section of this book on [page 18](#). If a student accepts Christ during a cabin time, they can pick up a copy of the student commitment guide which will have some basic follow up materials included and contain links to The Pursuit follow-up materials. These guides can be found at any of the mission sites, in the tabernacle, or in the Falls Creek Office. If a student in your cabin senses a call to ministry, they may also stop by any of the mission sites or the office to pick up a commitment guide which also will point them to The Discovery, a follow up guide for students pursuing a call to ministry.

Live Stream & Falls Creek Worship Archives

You can experience Falls Creek evening services each week online by visiting the service live stream at www.skopos.org/livestream. You can also download service archives and podcasts at www.skopos.org/fallscreek/media.

Mission Strategy

Missions at Falls Creek

The Falls Creek missions experience is designed to help students understand their role in reaching their school, impacting their community locally, and joining the global task of telling the nations about Christ. At these sites students can explore numerous opportunities of service, and learn how they can share their faith at school, pray for the nations, and experience hands on missions mobilization activities. The Mission Village will be open afternoons, Tuesday through Friday. The Wynn Center for World Missions will be open in the afternoons Tuesday thru Friday and after each evening experience. The Missions Mobile, "Mobilstan", will also be around camp in the afternoons encouraging students to think differently about their world. All of our missions venues provide information about mission trips and endeavors around the world, including GO Students, evangelism ideas, ways to engage in sharing your story of life in Christ, and praying for the nations.

Look for new Missions Village displays, late night missions experience and Mobilstan -- where cultures collide!

GO STUDENTS

GO Students

G.O. Students stands for Global Oklahoma Students. For the past six summers at Falls Creek, students have been challenged to apply to go overseas with other Oklahoma students through GO Students. This year, and in 2014, students will be serving in Paris, East Asia, and in Colorado. You can find information about GO Students and other mission opportunities for 2014 at any of our mission locations. You can also visit www.skopos.org/missions for more information.

GO Students is a partnership with the BGCO and iGo Global. Other trips are available through International World Changers and the International Mission Board (IMB) as well as the North American Mission Board (NAMB).

Missionary Staff

Falls Creek will host several missionaries in the summer of 2013. Missionaries will be available at our Mission sites, and they will lead individual cabin devotionals when they are requested. You can schedule a cabin devotional time with one of our missionaries or summer staff during registration on Monday, or at one of the two pre-camp regional preparation meetings, or by calling (405) 942-3000 ext. 4645. See [page 43](#).

GO Students Informational Meeting for Students and Sponsors

Students and sponsors who are interested in hearing about the GO Students Initiatives can hear more in the Missions Center on Friday at 4:00 p.m.

Morning In-Cabin Bible Study

Falls Creek 2013 curriculum is aimed at helping students learn to share their faith. The leader's material for the in-cabin Bible study is available in this book and online at www.skopos.org/resources. The in-cabin Bible study resource will reinforce what is taught in the morning experiences. Any church can personalize or change the direction of the morning in-cabin Bible study to best meet the needs of their group. In Cabin Bible studies are found on [pages 52-72](#).



Next Chapter

Falls Creek partners with Baptist Collegiate Ministries (BCM) to assist recently graduated students transition into the "Next Chapter" of their lives. During the Morning Tabernacle Experience, 2013 high school graduates will be directed to go out the North Tabernacle doors into the Chapel for a Next Chapter study. These graduates will have a designated code on their wristband. Only students who have this code will be allowed to attend Next Chapter.

OBU

Oklahoma Baptist University is pleased to provide a team of current OBU students at Falls Creek each week throughout the summer. You or your students can obtain information on OBU and potential scholarships as well as registering for giveaways by visiting the OBU staff at either the Riverfront Recreation Field or the Mission Center at anytime during the week and/or by completing the optional OBU Information Form at the bottom of the Student Release Form. The OBU staff is also available to visit your cabin and/or lead devotionals. You can register for an OBU staffer to lead one of your cabin devotionals at either of the regional preparation meetings or by contacting Odus Compton by e-mail (odus.compton@okbu.edu). You can visit OBU's website online at www.okbu.edu.

"OBU Tailgate Party in the Amp"

Don't miss out on the OBU special event in the skate park amphitheater after the Tuesday Evening Tabernacle Experience.

One Hour of Solitude

Among the opportunities for students to go deeper in their walk with God is the One Hour of Solitude. The challenge is to find one additional hour during the week to be alone with God. The One Hour of Solitude will once again be at Price's Falls, across the creek.

Parking

There are three large parking lots (one at the North Gate and two on the south end of the camp) and limited parking around the cabins. Please limit the vehicles parked around your cabin to keep the streets clear. If your group is bringing a bus for the week, please be prepared to park at the bus parking lots near the Riverfront Recreation Field or at the high road bus parking area. Vans should be parked in the parking lots on grounds. All vehicles on grounds overnight must have a parking tag on their rear view mirror. Parking tags will be distributed during registration on Monday. Handicapped parking for the tabernacle is available at the north lot of the tabernacle. Please use this handicapped lot only for the services, not overnight parking.

Pastoral Leadership Dialogue

Pastors, join us at the West Decision Room in the Tabernacle on Tuesday morning at 11:30 a.m. for a leadership discussion with the camp pastor. Coffee and hopefully some creative ideas about how to lead your church will be flowing freely. The discussion will be facilitated by Brett Selby, BGCO Leadership Specialist and the camp pastor of your week of attendance.

Pictures

Cabin Group Pictures

In order to preserve historic records and to publicize the activities of Falls Creek, we have made arrangements to have group pictures made of every group attending Falls Creek. The photographer will come to your cabin on Tuesday at the time you schedule during onsite registration Monday afternoon. Please be ready at this time. It does not cost anything to have your group picture taken. You will receive one picture free for your cabin when you place a paid order.

To assure better service, assign someone from your group to take orders and collect the money to hand the photographer when he or she comes to your cabin on Tuesday. Group cabin pictures will cost \$5.00 for a 5" x 7" or \$8.00 for an 8" x 10" color print. Finished pictures will be delivered to your cabin Friday afternoon. Anyone not satisfied with his or her picture may return it for a refund. Make your checks payable to Tom Flora Photography. You may schedule a picture time at on-site registration on Monday afternoon. If there are conflicts in your schedule, you may make changes at Monday registration or at the Flora Photo Hut (across from the Office Bus Stop) on Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Additional questions for Tom Flora Photography can be directed to their studio at (405) 273-8631 or (800) 301-8740.

Pin Trading

Custom trading pins have been crafted for sale and trade this summer. Several of these pins will highlight our Missions Village and encourage students to pray for the nations. Students will have the chance to win a "Fast Pass" pin for expedited service at the icee stands! Images of these pins will be printed in the Student Book, a resource campers receive at camp. We would also encourage churches to consider producing trading pins for their students to use for trading with other groups who attend camp that same week. Information on how churches can develop and order their own pins can be found at www.skopos.org/falls-creek/missions. Tired of group T-Shirts? Make a group pin and begin trading these camp collectibles!

Recreation

All churches and individuals are invited to participate in Falls Creek recreation. Campers must wear a registration wristband to participate in any recreation. Day guest wristbands are not acceptable for recreation.

Most of the recreation options will take place at the Riverfront Recreation Field, including volleyball, basketball, softball, horseshoes and disc golf. Churches are responsible for providing water for their group recreation. Churches are also responsible for making sure their students have the appropriate clothing (within dress code) to participate in recreational activities. Recreation staff will provide the adult sponsor accompanying the students at the rec field a debriefing guide to complete with their team after softball and volleyball games. Please remember the recreation debriefing time when you are coordinating schedules and planning for adult leadership.

If your group plans to participate in volleyball or softball, the lead sponsor should fill out the Volleyball/Softball Registration Form (printed on [pages 36](#) of this book or online at www.skopos.org/resources). Please make copies of the form if you need additional space. Your completed Volleyball/Softball Registration Form should be turned in at registration on Monday (keep a copy for your records) to select the game time slot for your teams for the week.

Basketball Three Point Shoot-Out Tournament

Can you drain the money ball? Find out if you reign supreme as the 3-pt King or Queen by participating in the Three Point Shoot-Out on Tuesday between 1:30-4:00 p.m. at the Riverfront Recreation Field's basketball court. All participants must bring their own rebounder. If participants do not have a rebounder, they must rebound after their shots. Participants will qualify on Tuesday for the finals on Wednesday by sinking as many shots as they can in 30 seconds. Participants will be placed into a tournament bracket for the final competition. Only the shooters on Tuesday have the opportunity to play in the finals bracket on Wednesday. Recognition will be held for guy's, girl's and sponsor's divisions. There is no need to sign up in advance.

Challenges/Ropes Course

The Falls Creek ropes course is one of the largest ropes courses in the nation, providing people an opportunity to climb, struggle, sweat, walk and swing from heights of six inches to over forty feet. The course operates Tuesday through Friday afternoon, weather permitting. The course usually takes about an hour to go through one of the twelve major element areas.

Eight group elements with a reserved time:

- 40' tall Diamond Challenge
- Low Ropes Challenges (3)
- Low Rescue Exercise
- Amphitheater Challenge
- 25' tall Net Leap
- Vertical Playpen

Group Challenges

The group challenges are designed to teach character, unity, and trust. Each of the group elements requires some advance training and a final debriefing after the group has finished the course. None of the challenges require any major athletic skill, just a willingness to learn and work together to accomplish a common goal. All group challenges are found opposite of the softball field except for two low ropes challenges which are behind the individual elements at Price's Falls.

During Monday registration, churches choosing to participate in a group challenge will select the day they would like their group to climb.

On their chosen morning, one sponsor for each group should go to the north counseling room in the tabernacle to

- Meet with the ropes course leadership
- Listen for their name to be called from a drawing
- Choose the element and time for their group to participate on the ropes course.

Please note: There are a limited number of spots available for groups and many, many people wanting to climb. There is no guarantee that your group will be selected for a reserved time on your chosen day, but all churches will be able to sign up for a day at Monday registration to enter the drawing. We appreciate your patience with the process and the limitations we face due to an increasing demand on our ropes course elements.

Students will be divided into groups of 6-18 people, with at least one adult in each group of students. Students with no adult supervision will not be allowed to participate in the group challenges. While some of your students participate in the event, others from the group can watch. Though several groups from your church may utilize the course, any single student may only participate in one of the group challenges per week. Exact participation numbers for each element and other details will be given to the lead sponsor during registration on Monday.

Four individual elements located at Price's Falls

- 50' tall Alpine Tower (16 and over only)
- 40' wide Bouldering Wall
- 45' tall Giant Swing (height by choice)
- 35' tall Climbing Tower (six sided)

Individual Challenges

Individual "walk up" challenges provide individuals and small groups of students an opportunity to walk up and get in line for any of the four elements. These events are also very challenging, but do not require significant athletic skill. Only one of the three individual challenges, the Alpine Tower, has an age limitation. You must be 16 years old or older to climb the 50 ft. Alpine Tower. Every climber on the Alpine Tower must show their driver's license to verify their age. No other identification will be accepted.

The Amphitheater Challenge will be a walk up element on Monday during registration from 2:00-5:00 p.m. and again on Monday and Thursday from 9:15 to 10:00 p.m. At all other times, the Amphitheater Challenge will be a group event requiring advance sign up.

Chess/Checkers Park

Students can play chess and checkers in the afternoons! They can check out chess and checkers sets from the ping pong park in the pavilion next to the skate park.

Disc Golf

Even if you have never played disc golf, you will enjoy the challenge. Individuals can sign up for the tournament at the Riverfront Rec Hut on Tuesday or Wednesday from 1:30-4:00 p.m. The tournament will begin on Thursday afternoon with the preliminaries beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the disc golf course. Players will be divided into groups of four. Scoring will be kept by the number of throws required to get the disc in the basket at each hole.

The course consists of nine holes, which constitutes a game. The 12 individual lowest scores will play a championship round on Friday at 1:30 p.m. Discs will be provided for practice and tournament play and can be checked out at the Riverfront Rec Hut. The course will be open for individual play Tuesday through Friday each day except during tournament play. The course is located under the trees at the Riverfront Recreation Field.

Fishing

Catch and release fishing is allowed in the creek, but not in the swimming areas. Campers will need to provide their own tackle. This year, there will be stocked fishing in the section of the creek below the Missions Village Amphitheatre. There is no limit on tackle, but please do not bring a fishing knife, boat, or waders. Also, noodling is not allowed at Falls Creek.

Giant Games

Look for our giant games at Price's Falls and around grounds again this year! These will be walk up elements on Tuesday through Friday afternoons during rec.

5K Run-New Time!

On Wednesday at 7:45 a.m., anyone who wants to participate in the 5K Falls Creek Run can meet at the Office Bus Stop. Four division winners will be determined, top male student and sponsor and top female student and sponsor. No advance sign up is required.

NEW

Horseshoes

Singles and Doubles will be played in the pit area in the Riverfront Recreation Field. The Singles tournament will be played on Thursday and the Doubles tournament will be played on Friday. Players must sign up in advance for the tournament at the Riverfront Rec Hut on Tuesday or Wednesday from 1:30-4:00 p.m. All participants for that day's tournament should be present at the horseshoe pit, at their assigned time on Thursday or Friday. Students and sponsors, guys and girls compete for one overall winner in the singles tournament. Doubles can be student or sponsor, male or female. One pair will be the overall winner.

A game consists of 21 points. The horseshoe must be in the pitcher's box to score. A ringer scores five points, a leaner scores three points, and the closest scores one point. Horseshoes may be checked out at the Riverfront Rec Hut each day for individuals to play.

Kayaks

The Kayak area has one and two person kayaks for paddling. Campers do not have to be in a swim suit to kayak, but they will have to wear a life jacket. The kayak area is adjacent to the swimming area of the entry pool.

Ping Pong / Jungle Pong Showdown

In 2013, we will again have our camp-wide ping pong showdown, but this year we are also adding a jungle pong showdown.. The tournament for both will be held on Thursday afternoon in the pavilion at the back of SwiftSkate Park. Host a tournament in your cabin on Monday through Wednesday and then submit your winner's name in both categories to the office by 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday night. Cabin winners will be placed into a bracket and will play on Thursday to crown a winner.

Skate Park/ SwiftSkate

SwiftSkate is a 9,000 square foot skate park designed with all steel ramps, rails, tables, stairs, quarter pipes, a mini-half pipe to spine, and a 30' fun box. The park will be open every Monday through Friday during afternoon free time. Skaters must bring their own board to camp and are encouraged to bring their own pads and helmets.

SwiftSkate is the only area on grounds where skateboarding is permitted and can only be used when staffers are supervising the elements. All skaters will be required to wear helmets and pads. Pads and helmets will be available for checkout by students not bringing their helmet and pads from home. All personal skateboards will be securely stored at the amphitheater after checking in on Monday and will be returned to skaters on Friday after skate time is over.

Times for beginner skaters will be 1:30-3:15 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. Advanced skaters will have from 3:15-5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. On Monday, the park will open at 2:00 p.m. for students to come and check their boards in and skate until 5:00 p.m. Students must have their registration wristband on to skate.

SwiftSkate was made possible by a gift from Hugh and Nelda Swift of Duncan, OK as a ministry to the students of Falls Creek.

Softball

Churches interested in playing softball will sign up to play two games on two days of camp. Play will be available for Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday. Your completed Volleyball/Softball Registration Form should be turned in at registration on Monday from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Players

The entire softball team must be students, with the exception of the pitcher. The pitcher must be a sponsor from the church of the team batting and may not field or bat. The team can be any mixture of male or female students (does not have to be coed).

Games

Teams will be on their honor to call each play. Balls and strikes will not be counted; three pitches will be given to each student. If the ball is not put into play within three pitches, the player will be considered out. Softball games will be timed at 25 minutes. When the 25 minute call has been made, play cannot exceed past the end of the bottom inning. At the end of the Evening Tabernacle Experience each day, the game times will be posted at the Falls Creek Office. Tuesday game times will be available at the Tuesday morning Sponsor Update Meeting at 9:05 a.m. or in the Falls Creek Office.

Equipment

Each team is required to bring to each game, one ASA or a USSSA 12 inch regulation slow pitch game ball. Teams playing softball will be required to use only the bats provided by Falls Creek.

Swimming/Lakefront Recreation

Girls' Times

Baptist Lake (Lake Park & Water Slides):
Monday 2:00-5:00 p.m. / Wednesday & Friday 1:30-5:30 p.m.
Entry Creek (Inflatable Games):
Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-5:30 p.m.

Guys' Times

Entry Creek (Inflatable Games):
Monday 2:00-5:00 p.m. / Wednesday & Friday 1:30-5:30 p.m.
Baptist Lake (Lake Park & Water Slides):
Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-5:30 p.m.

Children under four years of age may accompany either parent at the parent's appropriate swim time. Baptist Lake and Entry Creek require a life jacket, provided by Falls Creek. Baptist Lake has two water slides and inflatable water climbing elements. Entry Creek has inflatable water climbing elements as well.

Team Volleyball

On Monday during registration from 1:30-4:30 p.m., each church will turn in their form and select the game times for their teams for the week. Churches that do not have a complete team are permitted to pick up additional players from churches not entered in the competition, except for the Red Division.

Divisions

Blue – Youth Guys (4-9 players)

Players must be students, no sponsors.

Pink – Youth Girls (4-9 players)

Players must be students, no sponsors.

Green – Middle School Coed (4-9 players)

Players must be students who just completed the 6th through 8th grades, no sponsors.

Red – Four-on- Four (max of 5 players, High Competition)

Players can be male, female, student, or sponsor but must be from the same church.

Orange – Sponsors (4-9 players)

Players can be any mixture of male or female sponsors with up to two students.

Players

Individuals may participate only if they have been or intend to be in residence at Falls Creek three of the four playing days. Players must be on the team all week and you cannot add players to a team after Tuesday. You may sign up to play in more than one league, but games will not be started late to accommodate conflicts. This might result in a forfeit, so participate responsibly.

A sponsor/adult is defined as a person who has graduated from high school by one year.

Number of Teams

Blue / Pink / Green

One team for 4-59 students
Two teams for 60-110 students
Three teams for over 110 students

Red / Orange

Two teams from each church are allowed

More teams can be added on Monday at late night registration, if bracket space allows.

Games

Games consist of fifteen or twenty-one points and must be won by a two-point advantage. There is a maximum of 9 players on the court and substitution is encouraged to allow more individuals to participate. The Red Division must have 4 players on the court. Any team that does not show up for a game at their scheduled time, any day, may be required to forfeit their games in that event for the rest of the week. Every team that enters the tournament will play each day Tuesday through Thursday. Friday will be a single elimination tournament using the winning teams from Tuesday through Thursday. The winning teams will be recognized on Friday night before the Evening Tabernacle Experience.

At the end of the Evening Tabernacle Experience each day, the exact game times will be posted at the Falls Creek Office for the following day's play and they will also be available at the Sponsor Update Meeting each morning at 9:05. For Tuesday's game times, check the Falls Creek Office on Tuesday morning or the Sponsor Update Meeting.

RECREATION REVIEW

Events that do not require advance sign up:

Open Horseshoes – Riverfront
Swimming – Entry Creek, Baptist Lake
Three Point Shoot-out – Riverfront
Open Disc Golf – Riverfront
Alpine Tower (16 and over only, driver's license required) – Price's Falls
Bouldering Wall – Price's Falls

Events that require advance sign up at registration on Monday:

Group Challenges on Ropes Course
All Volleyball Divisions
Softball

Items available for Check Out from the Rec Hut:

Frisbees, Volleyballs, Footballs, Basketballs, and Horseshoes may be checked out from the recreation hut at the River Front Recreation Area. You may check with the Rec hut or office in the summer for other options on check out Rec items.

Giant Swing – Price's Falls
35' tall Climbing Tower (six-sided) – Price's Falls
5K Run – Nunny Bridge Bus Stop
SwiftSkate – Amphitheater
Giant Games – Price's Falls
Chess/Checker Park - Ampitheater

Events that require advance sign up at the Rec Hut:

Disc Golf and Horseshoe tournaments
Events that require advance sign up in the office:
Ping Pong / Jungle Pong Showdown

SANE

Sooner Alcohol and Narcotics Education (SANE) will have a representative on grounds each day near the Mission Village. This representative will also be available for cabin devotions. Sign up for devotions at Step 2 of On-site Registration on Monday.

Seating in the Tabernacle

A completely NEW process has been developed for seat reservations on 2013. It has been designed with sponsor input and creates a greater chance for all churches to have prime seating during at least one night of camp.

Evening Tabernacle Experience Seating

Registered churches for a week of camp will be randomly divided into 5 groups (20-25 churches per group). These groups will then be numbered 1-5. Each group will be ordered as well (1 to 20...or as much as 25, depending on the number of churches in attendance that week). This will all be pre-selected, via a drawing by Falls Creek staff. On Monday, at on-site registration, churches will be given their GROUP number and their ORDER number for Monday night seat reservations. Your ORDER number will change each day, but your GROUP number will remain the same all week. Sponsors will only get seat reservation information for Monday night at on-site registration. The GROUP rotations and ORDER numbers for Tuesday – Friday will be handed out Tuesday morning at the 9:05 a.m. Daily Sponsor Meeting.

Monday Night

On Monday night churches send sponsors to the south tabernacle doors no later than 6:30 p.m. to reserve seats. There must be at least two sponsors to reserve seating for any group, more is recommended for larger groups. Students may not save seats. At 6:30 p.m. Falls Creek staff will begin calling churches by GROUP numbers from the South Lobby into the main auditorium. Once the leaders from the called GROUP are inside the main auditorium, they will then be sent to reserve seats in the ORDER they were pre-selected. No leader or sponsor should move to reserve seats until instructed to do so by Falls Creek staff. GROUP numbers will be called approximately every five (5) minutes, starting at 6:30 p.m. If a church's sponsors are late for their called GROUP number, they will not be allowed in until the next GROUP number is called. They will then be allowed to move to the front of that GROUP.

Please do not attempt to join with another church for seat reservations unless you are at camp together. This confuses the process and is not fair to other churches in the drawing.

The sponsors should stay with their seats until their students arrive after 7:00 p.m. Ushers will be in the tabernacle to assist adult sponsors as they reserve seats for their groups. Churches may choose to create a "standard" to hold up as the students enter (after 7:00 p.m.) so your group can find your seating. When the service begins at 7:30 p.m., all standards should be lowered and moved out of the aisle.

Tuesday-Friday

The seat reservation process will operate much like Monday night's process, however, the TIME for seat reservations will change to 4:30 – 5:15 p.m. Sponsors will again reserve seats by GROUP numbers (rotated each day) then ORDER numbers (also rotated each day). GROUP numbers will be called every 10 minutes starting at 4:30 p.m. After reserving seats for their group, sponsors can return to their cabins, enjoy dinner, and then return at 6:45 p.m. to man their standards for the entrance of students at 7:00 p.m.

Morning Tabernacle Experience Seating

Please understand that seats are first come, first reserved. There is no early reservation system for morning experiences. Your middle school students and high school students should enter by groups for seating in the morning when the doors open at 9:10 a.m. and 10:05 a.m. respectively. In the morning, middle school students can enter through any door, but high school students can only enter through the south doors.

All groups should always sit together at both the morning and evening experience times. If your group is very large and you cannot find room to sit together in the tabernacle, divide your group into multiple groups but make sure that an adult sponsor is sitting with each group.

NEW

Special Needs Students/Sponsors

The Falls Creek leadership always works to connect deaf students with interpreters during the experiences. If you or one of your adult sponsors is a deaf interpreter, please contact the Falls Creek Office or let us know during registration. Please note that your church is solely responsible for making sure the unique needs of your students/sponsors are provided while at camp. If you have deaf students/sponsors attending with your church, direct them to the designated deaf interpreting sections in the tabernacle in the front of the right middle seating section.

There is no parking around the tabernacle, except for vans that are equipped with wheel chair lifts, have a valid handicap tag, and are transporting someone in a wheel chair. If anyone with special needs requires transportation around grounds during the week, each church should be prepared to transport their campers by car or van. If you have any questions or issues in providing transportation, contact the Falls Creek Office. **Churches may not bring golf carts, low speed vehicles (LSV), and the like, for transportation on grounds.**

Standard Design Contest

There will be a Standard Design Contest, in conjunction with the T-shirt Design Contest, on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. If you have invested a lot of time and creative energy into decorating a standard to identify your group's seats in the Evening Tabernacle Experience, enter your masterpiece for competition in the amphitheater Wednesday afternoon at 1:15 p.m. Standards should not exceed five feet in height and any materials attached to the standard should not exceed three feet in diameter. The judging categories are:

Best Theme Design

Awarded to the best design that captures the spirit of Falls Creek and/or the camp theme.

Best Original Design by a Youth

Awarded to the best design done entirely by a member of the youth group. This category will have two winners: one winner will be from a church with more than 35 students; the other winner will be from a church with 35 or fewer students.

Student Breakout Sessions



Daybreak – Student Leadership Track

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings (6:30 – 7:15 a.m. in the tabernacle), students who have finished the 10th through 12th grades will have the opportunity to engage in a special spiritual leadership track. Point your students toward this extra opportunity to be challenged and grow deeper in their faith.

Personal Evangelism

Our camp pastor will lead a Personal Evangelism Breakout for students on Thursday afternoon, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. This equipping breakout will be held in the Massey Chapel. Students will receive instruction on the means and motivation of personal evangelism.

Worship

Our worship band for the week will host students for a special worship leader conference on Thursday afternoon, 3:15-4:30 p.m., in the Massey Chapel. Students will hear the band's heart for worship, be engaged in a time of Q&A, and possibly move on stage to get an up close look at the band's gear and set up for the week.

New Believer's

We are encouraging students who make a salvation decision at camp to attend our New Believer's Breakout on Friday from 2:00-3:00 p.m., in the Massey Chapel. Students will get instruction on critical steps to take in following up their decision and will receive information on resources that can help them immediately building a strong foundation in their walk with Christ.

Called To Ministry

This breakout is designed for students who make decisions during the week to follow God's leading into vocational ministry. It will be held Friday at 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the West Counseling Room of the Tabernacle. Students will get instruction on critical steps to take in following up their decision and will hear about other resources and events that will be great helps to them in fulfilling God's call on their lives.

T-Shirts

If your group wants to purchase great inexpensive camp T-shirts, visit the Camp T-shirt page online at www.falls creek.org to view the apparel details and place your order. Advance shipping to your church is included if you order more than two weeks in advance. T-shirt orders placed within two weeks of your camp week can be picked up from the Falls Creek office. Orders placed three weeks in advance of camp will include printing your church name on the shirt. Extra t-shirts with no church name will be available at the gift shop but there is no guarantee of stock needed without an advance order. If you have any issues with your t-shirt order at camp, contact the Falls Creek Office at (580) 369-2101.

T-Shirt Design Contest

The 2013 T-Shirt Design Contest centers on the theme "THIRST." Judging will take place in the amphitheater between 1:15-1:45p.m. on Wednesday. Two contestants need to arrive no later than 1:15 p.m. on Wednesday in the amphitheater to register their church. Contestants may leave once the O.B.U. staff has taken a picture of their shirt design.

The judging categories will be:

Best Overall Design

Awarded to the design that best incorporates a creative and professional looking design. Designs must be original.

Best Theme Design

Awarded to the design that best captures the spirit of the camp theme in a unique, original design.

Best Witnessing Design

Awarded to the best design that creatively provides an opportunity to share the gospel.

Best Original Design by a Youth

Awarded to the best design done entirely by a member of the youth group. Two winners: one winner will be from a church with more than 35 students; the other winner will be from a church with 35 or fewer students.

WIFI at Falls Creek

This summer, if you need to connect to the internet via your personal laptop or wireless device, stop by the Falls Creek Office. Connection passwords can be purchased by adult sponsors for \$10.00. The password will allow your laptop or device unlimited connection at the WIFI area around the Main Concession Plaza, the West End, and the North Lobby of the Tabernacle. The password will work Monday through Friday. Each laptop or device will require a unique password. Personal wireless routers are not allowed at Falls Creek.



2.2 IN-CABIN BIBLE STUDY MATERIAL

11:30 A.M. TUESDAY-FRIDAY

Bible Study Preparation

Each year when the students of Falls Creek are asked to identify where they made their most life changing decisions, the students consistently say, "their cabin." That makes your preparation and presentation even more important for your In-Cabin Bible Study at 11:30 each morning. The cornerstone of Falls Creek for each group is the time they spend in their cabin learning, worshipping, and making life decisions.

Every student attends the morning camp-wide experiences in the tabernacle (9:30 – 10:40 a.m. for middle school, 10:05 – 11:15 a.m. for high school). This 11:30 a.m. daily teaching plan builds on the topics and issues that the students will deal with in the Morning Tabernacle Experience each day. It is essential that some of the adults from your group are present with the students at the morning experiences, to help them review what they have learned that day when you begin the 11:30 a.m. time. We recommend at least one adult be present with your high school students and at least one other adult attend with your middle school students.

It is strongly recommended that you develop "family groups" for discussion. These groups would be chosen by you and would keep the same members throughout the week. At least one adult, preferably two, would facilitate each group. The adults in the group would help the students think through the material they have been learning during the teaching times each day. Remember, the family leaders are not "teaching" the materials, they are helping the students think and apply what they have learned. For more ideas on developing family groups for discussion, go to [page 17](#).



THINGS TO REMEMBER

- 1) You may find evening devotional discussion question overviews online at skopos.org. This might help your group leaders zero in on the material they will be responsible for.
- 2) Look for key points in each lesson where students or adults can contribute with teaching a segment, leading a game, reading scripture, or providing a testimony.
- 3) What goes on in your cabin, with your group, is vital to the success of your camp and growth of your group. This cannot be overstated. Plan well, and have fun!

OUR PREDICAMENT

Big Question: Where do you stand?

Main Idea(s):

You were created by God to do His will and enjoy intimate fellowship with Him. Our sin separates us from God and interferes with that fellowship. That separation and/or interference leaves an empty space in our hearts and creates a spiritual thirst in us that can only be satisfied by a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Helps available online for today's lesson (These items are listed in blue text):

"The Exam Room" self-guided study sheet

[Link to Mayo Clinic article on dehydration](#)

[Condensed Mayo Clinic document to print](#)

"GARDEN OF EDEN" Sign

"WILDERNESS" Sign

"PEACE", "CONTENTMENT", "JOY", "SATISFACTION", "PURPOSE", "FULFILLMENT", "LOVE", "BEAUTY", "PURITY", "FREEDOM" Signs

"REGRET", "CONFUSION", "PAIN", "FRUSTRATION", "WORRY", "DOUBT", "FEAR", "GUILT", "ANGER" Signs

Materials/Prep Needed:

Decorate half of your cabin like the Garden of Eden and the other half like the Wilderness.

(Alternative: Hang a sign that says "Garden of Eden" on one side of the room and a sign that says "Wilderness" on the other side of the room).

Suggestions for Eden:

Greenery* (Trees, vines, shrubbery)

Sky*

Flowers*

Water feature of some kind*

Animals

Fruit/Food

Rain Forest sound effects (noise-makers are available at Walgreens, Walmart, etc.)

Suggestions for Wilderness:

Gray sky*

Sand/dirt*

Bare branches, tumbleweeds

Desert creatures

No visible water source

*These items can be easily created with butcher paper if no three-dimensional props are available.

Tape, pencils, and pens

Blank paper

Enough copies of "The Exam Room" and article about dehydration (if desired) for every student to have his/her own.

Tabernacle review:

When students come in, have them sit down as a group and respond briefly to the following questions.

- What stood out to you during the morning tabernacle time?
- How were you challenged personally? How will you respond?
- How do we need to respond to this morning's message as a youth ministry?

1. Ask Students to get into their Family Groups and discuss the following questions. Tell them to be back ready to discuss in five to ten minutes.

- Why do you think that God made people? What is our purpose here on earth?
- Why do you think that God made you, specifically? What is your purpose? Are you fulfilling that purpose? Explain.

When your students come back together, ask the first family group question to your large group and let a representative from each family group share the answers they came up with.

2. Ask students to stand and read the following passages to your group. You can pre-assign these if you would like.

Genesis 2:4-7

Genesis 2:8-9

Genesis 2:15-17

Genesis 2:18-20

Genesis 2:21-25

Explain:

God created mankind in His own image to do His will and enjoy fellowship with him. The Garden of Eden was a special place for God and mankind to share. As long as Adam and Eve obeyed God, they could stay in the Garden of Eden, enjoying intimate fellowship with God. It was the perfect arrangement.

Activity:

Give each student a piece of paper and a marker. Ask them to imagine what it must have been like to be Adam or Eve in the Garden of Eden before they disobeyed God. Ask them to write one or two words describing what it must have been like on their piece of paper and tape it to the wall on the "Eden" side of the room. (Alternative: You could take student answers out loud and write them yourself.) [Prepare the following words ahead of time for your workers to tape up alongside your students' papers: peace, contentment, joy, satisfaction, purpose, fulfillment, love, beauty, purity, freedom.](#)

3. Ask students to stand and read the following passages to your group.

Genesis 3:1-4

Genesis 3:6-7

Genesis 3:8-13

Explain:

Even though the Serpent tricked Eve, twisting God's words to manipulate her, Adam and Eve still made the decision to disobey God. Disobedience to God is sin. It prevents intimacy with God and interrupts fellowship with Him.

God is perfect and cannot have fellowship with imperfection. God is also fair and just and cannot ignore sin. Adam and Eve chose sin over their relationship with God. Because God cannot deny His own nature, He allowed Adam and Eve to experience the consequences of their sin.

Ask students to stand and read the following passages to your group.

Genesis 3:16-19

Genesis 3:20-24

Explain:

God was actually demonstrating mercy in banishing Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden. When Adam and Eve sinned, they separated themselves from God. If they had been allowed to stay in the Garden of Eden and eat from the Tree of Life as well, they would have lived forever in that separation. Because God made them leave, they and all the people that came after them were given a chance to be redeemed or restored into intimate fellowship with God, first through the sacrificial system of the Old Testament and, eventually, through the death, burial, and resurrection of God's own Son Jesus Christ.

Activity:

Give students a piece of paper and a marker. Ask them to imagine what it must have been like for Adam and Eve to have to leave the Garden of Eden and live in the Wilderness. Remind students to think about how Adam's and Eve's relationship with God had changed. Have them write one or two words describing what it must have been like on their piece of paper and tape it to the wall on the "Wilderness" side of the room. (Alternative: You could take student answers out loud and write the answers yourself.) [Prepare the following words ahead of time for your workers to tape up alongside your students' papers: regret, confusion, pain, frustration, worry, doubt, fear, guilt, anger.](#)

4. Ask Students to get into their Family Groups and discuss the following questions. Tell them to be back in ten minutes.

- What did Adam and Eve gain by disobeying God? Was it worth the price they paid?
- When have you disobeyed God? Give a specific instance. What did you hope to gain? Was it worth it?
- How does sin affect your relationship with God? Is the pay-off worth it?

5. When students return, give each of them a copy of "The Exam Room" self-guided study sheet. If you have chosen to print copies of the Mayo Clinic article on dehydration, give them that as well. Tell them to get alone with this guide, the article, a pencil/pen, and a Bible. Tell them to be back in ten to fifteen minutes.

The Exam Room

Read the provided article on dehydration or look up <http://www.mayoclinic.com/health/dehydration/DS00561> on your mobile device (use the blue menu on the left side of the page to explore the topic of dehydration). Play the part of "medical professional" for a minute, and see if you can answer the following questions. Time is short. We need answers. People are counting on you!

What is dehydration?

What are the symptoms of dehydration?

What causes dehydration?

How do you treat dehydration?

What would you prescribe for a patient with symptoms of dehydration? Fill out the script below.:

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"Thirstscription"

Name _____ Date Just for Today

THIRST

No Substitutions Repeat Daily

Signature _____

Now, read the Bible verses on the following page and answer the questions that go with them.

Dehydration: Defined

"But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear." Isaiah 59:2

"As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?" Psalm 42:1-2

According to the verses above, what is spiritual dehydration?

Dehydration: Symptoms

"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world." 1 John 2:15-16

"Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry... But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other..." Colossians 3:5, 8-9a

According to the verses above, what are some symptoms of spiritual dehydration?

Dehydration: Causes

"Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man (Adam), and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people..."

Romans 5:12

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

According to the verses above, what causes spiritual dehydration?

Dehydration: Treatment

"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved." Romans 10:9-10

"Jesus answered, 'Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.'" John 4:13-14

According to the verses above, what is the cure for spiritual dehydration?

What would you prescribe for someone with symptoms of spiritual dehydration? Fill out the script below.

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6. When students return, go over their answers to the second half of "The Exam Room" to be sure that they understand the critical truths found in the Bible verses they read.

Explain:

When Adam and Eve chose to sin, sin became a part of mankind. The tendency to sin was passed down through their children to all generations. This sin condition is hereditary, just as eye color, height, and bone structure are hereditary. No matter how hard a person tries not to, they will sin (Rom 3:23). Because of sin, they are separated from God and can't get back to Him on their own. They are in a kind of wilderness. The intimate fellowship with God that they were created for is missing, and, deep down, their heart knows it. It's spiritually dehydrated, and, even before a person knows what's missing, their heart longs to fill its empty space and be whole. It's thirsty!

Jesus, God's only Son, who was fully man (Heb 2:17) and fully God (Phil 2:6) at the same time, was the only man to live on this earth and remain sinless, even though He was tempted with everything we are tempted with (Heb 4:17). Because He was sinless, He didn't deserve to be punished. His relationship with God was fine. When He died on the cross, He was paying the price for your sin (1 John 2:2) and fixing your relationship with God, not His own (Rom 5:8). When you accept Jesus into your heart, you become a Christian and can rest knowing that you will go to Heaven when you die. Your heart becomes Eden again. As long as you do what God says and live to please Him, God keeps quenching your heart's thirst with Jesus, the Living Water.

personal testimony of salvation here

Explain (cont.):

Once you are saved by accepting Jesus' gift, you are always saved (John 10:29). The promise of Heaven can never be taken from you, but you will continue to struggle with that old sin nature, to some degree, as long as you are alive (Rom 7:15). The more you learn to listen to the Holy Spirit that comes to live in your heart when you become a Christian (Eph 1:13) and learn to obey God, the easier it will become to fight your tendency to sin, but sometimes, you will mess up.

When that happens, your heart will get thirsty again. The good news is that Jesus, the Living Water, is always ready to forgive and quench that thirst so you can start fresh (1 John 1:9). You may hear Christians who talk about being thirsty, too. Don't be confused by that. They say that because once you've "tasted" the Living Water, you want more. He's that good (Psalm 34:8)!

optional personal testimony of spiritual restoration or "rededication"

Closing Activity:

Ask everyone to get alone, bow their heads, and close their eyes. Ask them to think about these questions as you talk through them. Use this as an invitation time if you feel led to do so.

- Where does your heart live right now? Do you live in Eden or the Wilderness?
- What is the condition of your heart? Are you spiritually dehydrated or are you soaking up the Living Water of Jesus?
- Have you ever accepted Jesus' gift of salvation? If you have accepted that gift, are you following Him?



OUR OPTIONS

Big Question: What are your choices?

Main Idea(s):

The Bible says that every good and perfect gift is from God (James 1:17). When we use those gifts the way God intended, they become tools for drawing us closer to God and furthering His Kingdom. When we use them selfishly, we sin. Every gift that God gives brings a certain level of happiness and pleasure, but none can quench a spiritual thirst but Jesus.

Helps available online for today's lesson:

Images and self-guided questions for activity in Part Two.

"DO NOT DRINK!" or "CONTAMINATED!" Signs

"RELIGION", "RELATIONSHIPS", "PLEASURE", "MONEY", "SELF-IMPROVEMENT", "FAME", "WORK", "JESUS" Signs and Slides

John 4: 13-14 Slide

Materials/Prep Needed:

Make big signs to hang around the room. Space them evenly. On each, write the name of a popular beverage among teenagers. Here are some suggestions:

Mountain Dew

Coke

Pepsi

Dr. Pepper

Root Beer

Cream Soda

Coffee

Green Tea

Izzies

Yohoo

Milk/Chocolate milk

Gatorade

Red Diamond Tea

Water

Orange Juice

Hot Chocolate

Under each sign, set out enough of that beverage for every student in your cabin to have a drink of it should they all choose the same beverage during the activity. Three or four choices should be enough.

Have enough cups on hand for everyone to pour themselves a drink.

Provide snacks for your students that will make them thirsty. Here are some suggestions:

Pretzels

Popcorn

Doritos

Cheetoes

Pickles

Peanut Butter

Cookies (Oreos)

Candy (Laffy Taffy, Reeses, Jolly Ranchers)

French Fries

Icing

Cotton Candy

Images/symbols for activity in Part Two with sets of self-guided questions that go with each.

Tabernacle review:

When students come in, have them sit down as a group and respond briefly to the following questions.

- What stood out to you during the morning tabernacle time?
- How were you challenged personally? How will you respond?
- How do we need to respond to this morning's message as a youth ministry?

1. While students are at the tabernacle, go to great lengths to block all water sources from your students when they return. Put plastic bags over the water fountains, lock the ice chest, etc. Put signs on them that say "DO NOT DRINK!" or "CONTAMINATED!" The bigger deal you make of this, the thirstier they will be for the activity below.

Activity:

Gather students into the center of the room. Ask them to raise their hands if they see their favorite drink at one of the drink stations. Tell them to go stand by their favorite of the ones offered, but tell them not to drink or touch it.

Ask students which drink they would choose if it were all they could drink for a week. Tell them to go stand by that choice, but tell them not to drink or touch it.

Give each student a large amount of a snack to make them thirsty. Let them eat it, but don't let them get a drink. As they eat, describe what it feels like to be thirsty. Talk about times that you have been extremely thirsty. You may want to show a movie clip where someone is extremely thirsty. Talk about how good it feels to drink a cold beverage when you are thirsty. For example, talk about how good cold milk feels and tastes with thick, rich chocolate cake or peanut butter cookies. You may want to show commercials where people take a drink of something cold, like Coke or Gatorade commercials.

When they admit that they are good and thirsty, ask them to go to the drink that they most want to drink in that moment. Divide the beverage evenly amongst the students in each station and let them drink what they chose. Make sure they only go to one station.

(Alternative: If you can't provide the drinks and snacks, you can simply talk them through this exercise, asking what they prefer to drink, what they drink when they are very thirsty, what they would drink if that were all they could drink for a week, etc.)

After everyone has had their fill, hold up a 2 Liter full of water. Point out that water is what the human body actually needs. Show them that this is how much water the human body needs per day just to stay hydrated.

2. Ask Students to get into their Family Groups and discuss the following questions. Tell them to be back in fifteen minutes.

- Of the drinks offered, which is your favorite?
- Which drink did you go to for satisfaction in the moment that your mouth was really dry? Why?
- What drink does our body need to survive? Do you drink as much of it as you should? How does it feel to be completely hydrated? Do you know?
- Are all of the other drinks bad? Are some better for you than others? As a group, rank them from best to worst for your health, not by preference. As you consider each beverage, think about what would happen to your body if you drank 64 ounces of it or could only drink that one beverage for a week.



PART TWO

3. While students are in family groups, set up stations around the room. At each station set up an image or symbol of the following gifts and tools that God has given us for our good and His glory. Print enough copies of each set of self-guided questions for each student to take one as they move independently around the room. Place each set next to its corresponding image or symbol. (Alternative: Project each description up on your large screen or read them out loud and give them a chance to answer the questions silently.)

1. Religion

A religion is a set of rituals and observances upheld by a group of people who share the same beliefs about the supernatural. It includes a moral code that governs the actions of those who adhere to it. Religion, in and of itself, is a kind of spiritual “to do” list.

Early on, God told people how and where He wanted to be worshipped, laying out in great detail the sacrifices and ordinances He required. Jesus’ coming changed that, and He set out new ordinances for us to observe, such as baptism and the Lord’s Supper. We are also told to continue to meet together (Heb 10:25), which we usually do on Sunday and Wednesday. Used correctly, religion can enhance and guide personal worship of God the Father.

When it’s good:

Religion is a good thing when people use it to draw closer to the One True God.

When it’s bad:

Religion becomes a bad thing when it brings glory to any person or “god” other than the One True God, when people practice it to feel better about themselves, when people substitute it for a real and meaningful relationship with God, when people try to earn their salvation by practicing it, and/or when people use it as an excuse for their bad behavior toward others.

To think about:

- How does being involved in church help you in your relationship with God?
- What is the difference between practicing religion (some call it “doing church”) and worshipping God? Which one can you do without knowing Jesus at all?
- Why would a person want to substitute religion for worship? Do you think people always know when they are doing it?
- Why do you participate in church activities? Are you “doing church” or pursuing the things of God?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

2. Relationships

A relationship is a connection between two individuals. It can be a romantic connection between two people, but it doesn’t have to be. It can also be a connection between family members, people who work toward a common goal, members of the same church, friends, etc. God gave you the ability to connect with others.

When they are good:

Relationships are good when they bring both people closer to God.

When they are bad:

Relationships are bad when they pull either person away from God, when either person values the relationship above their relationship with God, and/or when either person is being hurt in any way by the relationship.

To think about:

- Think about the relationships in your life. Which ones are really good for you?
- Which ones are bad for you? Is there anything you can do about that?
- Are you good for others or bad for them?
- Why is it so easy to let relationships with people get in the way of our relationship with God?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

3. Pleasure

God gave you the ability to feel pleasure, and He gave you many things to enjoy and praise Him for. He gave you taste buds so that you could enjoy delicious food, eyes so that you could appreciate the beauty of nature, ears so that you could experience music, a sense of touch so that you could enjoy holding the ones you love, etc. Pleasure is an exciting but temporary experience.

When it’s good:

Pleasure is good when the person experiencing it receives it within the boundaries of God’s will as a gift from God, giving Him the glory for it.

When it's bad:

Pleasure is bad when it is derived from anything that is a perversion of what God intends or is in direct violation of God's will. It is also wrong to seek pleasure over intimacy with God.

To think about:

- Think about the things you enjoy through your five senses, sight, smell, taste, touch, hearing. What kind of pleasure do you seek most often?
- Is the pleasure that you enjoy God-honoring and pure, or have you accepted a perversion of what God intended?
- What do you crave more, pleasure or intimacy with God? Into which one do you put more effort?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

4. Money

Money is a means to an end, a way to pay for the things that you want and need. Because the things that you want and need bring pleasure, it's easy to think of money as being your provider when, in reality, God is the One who provides every good thing (James 1:17), even when you use your money to buy it.

When it's good:

Money is good when it is earned in accordance with God's will and is used to further the Kingdom of God.

When it's bad:

Money is bad when people do corrupt things to get it, use it to manipulate others, begin to love it, use it for things that God doesn't approve of, or seek it instead of seeking God.

To think about:

- What happens to people who love money?
- How often do you think about and wish for money and the things it could get you? How does that compare to how often you think about God and what He wants for you?
- How hard do you work for the money you get? How much effort do you put into your relationship with God?
- When you have money, do you use it in a way that honors God?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

5. Self-improvement

God created you with great skill, and He expects you to take care of what He's given you. He wants you to stay healthy and sharpen your skills. He wants you to do everything to the best of your ability, but most of all, He wants you to become more like Jesus and fulfill His purpose for your life.

When it's good:

Self-improvement is good when a person relies on God to shape them, putting forth as much effort as God leads them to, with His glory in mind.

When it's bad:

Self-improvement is bad when it is about becoming the best "you" you can be. That is called individualism, and it is a form of idol worship. God wants you to become the best reflection of Jesus you can be.

To think about:

- Are you taking good care of what God has given you, your mind, your body, and your spirit? Do you spend enough time taking that care? Do you spend too much?
- When people correct you, how do you respond? Do you seek or avoid spiritual accountability?
- Are you more interested in becoming the best "you" you can be or in becoming more like Jesus?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

6. Fame

Fame is being recognized by people. It is a form of acceptance and feels like approval, which is why so many people seek it. People become famous for both admirable and shameful reasons. Fame in and of itself is superficial and temporary.

When it's good:

Fame is good when it is gotten for a positive reason, when the person getting attention uses it to further God's Kingdom, and when the person getting attention directs the focus of others toward God, giving Him all the glory.

When it's bad:

Fame is bad when it is gotten for a negative reason, when a person begins to seek the approval of men over God's acceptance and approval, when the person getting attention keeps it for him or herself, and/or when the person getting attention takes credit for what God has done.

To think about:

- How much time do you spend worrying about what people think of you? How hard do you work to please people?
- Are you more concerned about what God think of you or what others think of you?
- When you do get attention, do you share it and use it to influence others for God, or do you soak it up and become prideful?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

7. Work

Contrary to popular belief, the ability to work is a blessing from God. Adam worked the land before he ever left Eden. In fact, God didn't create ground vegetation until He created Adam to care for it. It is rewarding to fulfill a purpose, to set goals and reach them, and to reap the benefits of your labor.

When it's good:

Work is good when the person working does so with a good attitude as an act of worship to God, thanking Him for the ability to work.

When it's bad:

Work is bad when the person working does so for their own glory, becomes overly competitive and prideful, or allows work to take over their life, putting achievement over their relationship with God and others.

To think about:

- Do you see work as a burden or a blessing?
- Does the way that you do your work bring honor to God or misrepresent Him?
- Do you work too hard, sacrificing your relationship with God and others, or do you have a good balance in your life?
- Do you care more about impressing others and feeling good about yourself or pleasing God with your work?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

8. Jesus

Jesus is the greatest gift that God has ever given. He is perfect. He created all things (John 1:3) for His own glory and holds the world together (Acts 17:28). He wants a relationship with you even though you have nothing to offer Him, and He lets you find Him when you look for Him (Jer 29:13). He quenches our spiritual thirst in a supernatural way, saturating our very being with His love and light.

When He's good: All the time!**When He's bad: He's never bad!****To think about:**

- When you are feeling thirsty, is Jesus your first choice, or do you try other things first? Why is that?
- Have you ever let Jesus quench your spiritual thirst? What was that like? Has he ever let you down or been less than you expected?
- Why would Jesus refer to Himself as the "Living Water"?
- Why do you suppose people return to things that don't satisfy their thirst even after experiencing Jesus for themselves? Do you do that?
- Does anything need to change? If so, what?

4. Project the Bible passage below onto your large screen and leave it up for the duration of this activity. (Alternative: Read it out loud.)

"Jesus answered and said unto her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give Him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.'"

John 4:13-14

Discuss:

The Bible says that every good and perfect gift is from God (James 1:17). When we use those gifts the way God intended, they become tools for drawing us closer to God and furthering His Kingdom. When we use them selfishly, we sin. Every gift that God gives brings a certain level of happiness and pleasure, but none can quench a spiritual thirst but Jesus.

Activity:

Tell students that they will find at each station an image or symbol that represents one of the many gifts that God has given us for our good and His glory (Rom 8:28). Make sure that they know this is just a short list. Tell them to work their way quietly through the stations by themselves in no particular order, stopping at each one long enough to take a study guide, read it, and think through the questions carefully. Tell them to meet in their family groups when they are finished.

5. Family groups should wait until their entire group is finished with the self-guided activity before discussing the following questions.

- Of the God-given gifts that we just looked at, which are you most familiar with?
- You may have noticed that all of them could be good or bad, depending on the way they were handled, except Jesus. Were you surprised to learn that any of them could be good? Which ones? Were you surprised to learn that any of them could be bad? Which ones?
- Have you ever felt spiritually thirsty? Explain. Have you attempted to quench a spiritual thirst with something other than Jesus? What were the results? Were they lasting or temporary?
- What's wrong with trying to quench a spiritual thirst with something other than Jesus? Does anything else measure up? Explain.
- What would keep a person from turning to Jesus, the "Living Water," for their spiritual thirst? What happens to a person who never chooses Jesus?



OUR CHOICE

Big Question: What will you choose?

Main Idea(s):

People sin for a reason. They are either unaware of their sin, or they get something from it that they like and are willing to choose over pleasing God. No matter how fun or beneficial sin seems, it comes with consequences. For the believer, the consequences of sin are natural consequences, disrupted intimacy with God, and regret. For the non-believer, the consequences are natural consequences, continued confusion and darkness, and eternity spent in Hell. Besides being the only eternal solution to our eternal problem, Jesus meets our every need and satisfies our every desire. He quenches our thirst.

Helps available online for today's lesson:

["What's in It for Me?"](#) and ["Names of Jesus"](#) self-guided study sheets

["Sin" Sign](#)

["Jesus" Sign](#)

Materials/Prep Needed:

Cover one wall with bright, blank butcher paper/poster boards. Write the word SIN in the center. Decorate it with balloons, streamers, silly string, anything party related that would naturally deflate, fall down, or disintegrate over time. Use primary colors.

(Alternative: Just post the word SIN on one wall).

Cover the other wall with white butcher paper/poster boards. Write the name JESUS in the center. Do not decorate it. Let His name stand alone. (Alternative: Just post the word JESUS on one wall).

Provide enough markers for everyone to have their own.

Pencils/pens

Enough copies of the ["Names of Jesus"](#) and ["What's in It for Me?"](#) self-guided study sheets for every student to have one. Lay the "What's in It for Me?" sheets in front of the brightly colored wall and the "Names of Jesus" sheets in front of the Jesus wall.

Finger paint (if desired)

Tabernacle review:

When students come in, have them sit down as a group and respond briefly to the following questions.

- [What stood out to you during the morning tabernacle time?](#)
- [How were you challenged personally? How will you respond?](#)
- [How do we need to respond to this morning's message as a youth ministry?](#)

1. Ask Students to get into their Family Groups and discuss the following questions. Tell them to be back ready to discuss in five to ten minutes.

- What is sin? Give examples.
- Why do people sin? What do they get out of it?
- What are the natural consequences of sin? Give examples.
- What are the eternal consequences of sin? How do you know?
- Is the pay-off for sin worth the consequences? Explain.

Discuss:

Yesterday, we looked at just a few of the gifts that God has given us and learned that Jesus is ALWAYS the right choice, no matter the question, the need, or the options available. He is the only one who can quench spiritual thirst.

We talked about how the rest of the gifts can be good or bad, depending on how you handle them. Every gift given by God is intended for our good and His glory. Any time we pervert, or twist, one of those gifts into something other than what God intended for it to be, we sin. Any time we use one of them selfishly, we sin. Any time we put something other than God on the throne of our hearts, we sin. Actually, any time we disobey God in any way, we sin. We know this, but we continue to sin. Why?

2. Ask students to stand and read the following verses out loud.

Proverbs 14:12

Psalms 19:12

Hebrews 11:25

Explain:

Sometimes, we just don't know that what we are doing is wrong, but most of the time we do. We engage in sin because we like what we get out of it. It seems, at first, to be the fix for our thirst. Even the Bible acknowledges the fact that sin can be fun for a short time.

Activity:

Ask students the following questions, but don't take answers out loud.

- **What is so attractive about sin?**
- **What do people get out of it?**

3. Ask students to write the answers to both of these questions on the wall that looks like a party. Give them plenty of time to fill it up. You may want to add a few of your own. Here are some suggestions: feels good, it's exciting, helps me relax, gets me attention, etc. (Alternative: Take answers to these questions out loud and write them yourself.)

Discuss:

Sin is not the party it seems to be at first. It cannot quench spiritual thirst. On the contrary, sin wrings out your soul and leaves you drier than ever. There are immediate, natural consequences of sin that no one really talks about.

Activity:

Tell the students to go to each of the words that they wrote on the "party" wall and write down an immediate, natural consequence that follows that pay-off for sin. For instance, if someone wrote "feels good," they might write "feel guilty later" next to it. If they wrote "gets people attention," they might write something like "gets people a bad reputation" next to it. Only they know the sin they were talking about, so there are no right or wrong answers. (Alternative: Take answers to these questions out loud and write them yourself.)

Discuss:

The natural consequences of sin are not fun, but the big problem with sin is that it interferes with your relationship with God both now and eternally.

Right now...

When those who don't have a personal relationship with Jesus sin, it means continued confusion (1 Cor 2:14), spiritual darkness (John 3:19), slavery to sin (Romans 6:17), and a thirst that only intensifies (Eph 4:19).

When those who do have a personal relationship with Jesus sin, it means a painful interruption in the intimate fellowship with God they once enjoyed. Sin won't cause a person who has truly been saved to lose their salvation, but it will make it difficult for that person to communicate with God and will keep God from answering his or her prayers (Psalm 66:18).

Later...

Those who never accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior will spend eternity separated from God in Hell (Romans 6:23, 2 Thessalonians 1:9).

Those who knew Jesus, but wasted time on earthly things, will have to watch as God takes a long, hard look at what they did with their life, sorting and judging their thoughts and deeds (1 Cor 3:11-15).

The problem with turning to anything other than Jesus, good or bad, with your spiritual thirst is that all other solutions are a temporary fix to an eternal problem. Sooner or later, we all die, and the things of this earth will fade away (Mark 13:31). The "party" will be over.

4. Go to the party wall and pop the balloons, smear the silly string, and rip down the streamers. You can even finger paint over the words written there. You may want to ask some of your workers or students ahead of time to do this on cue.

If we have spent our lives trying to squeeze happiness, satisfaction, and pleasure out of those temporary, earthly things, we will be left wanting in the end.

Activity:

Tell each student to pick up a copy of the "What's in It for Me?" self-guided study sheet from in front of the destroyed party wall. Tell them to get alone to work their way through it.

"What's in It for Me?"

Take a moment and answer the following questions honestly.

- What are your pet sins, the ones you keep going to over and over?
- Why do those particular sins have such a hold on you?
- What do you get out of those sins? Is it worth the price you pay?
- If you could turn back time, what would you change? What would you take back?

Read the following verse:

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

- How does this verse make you feel? Write your response below.

When you are finished, go to the Jesus wall and pick up a copy of the "Names of Jesus" self-guided study sheet from in front of the Jesus wall.



Activity:

Direct each student to take a “Names of Jesus” self-guided study sheet. Tell them to get by themselves and work their way through it.

Names of Jesus

Jesus is God, and He has been around since before time as we know it began (John 1:1). Over time, He has been called by many names. Some He gave Himself, and others were given to Him by people who experienced Him in a deeply personal way. All of His names have to do with some aspect of His character. Below, you will find a list of some of those names with Bible reference that tell where each name can be found in scripture.

Son of God	1 John 4:14	Creator	Colossians 1:16
Savior of the World	1 John 4:14	Upholder of all things	Hebrews 1:3
God	John 1:1	Eternal Life	1 John 5:20
The Word	John 1:1	Wisdom	Proverbs 8:12, 22
The Way	John 14:6	Servant	Philippians 2:7
The Truth	John 14:6	The Christ	Luke 2:11
The Life	John 14:6, 11:25	Bread of Life	John 6:35
Redeemer	Psalms 19:14	Morning Star	Revelation 2:28
Friend	John 15:15	The Just	1 Peter 3:8
Healer	Psalms 103:3	High Priest	Hebrews 5:6
Comforter	Isaiah 66:13	Mediator	1 Timothy 2:5
Wonderful	Isaiah 9:6	Intercessor	Hebrews 7:25
Counselor	Isaiah 9:6	The Gift of God	John 3:16
Everlasting Father	Isaiah 9:6	Resurrection	John 11:25
Prince of Peace	Isaiah 9:6	Deliverer	Romans 11:26
Mighty God	Isaiah 9:6	Shield	Psalms 84:9
The Light	John 12:35	King of Kings	Revelation 17:14
Rock	Psalms 31:2-3	Strength to the poor and needy	Isaiah 25:4
Foundation	1 Corinthians 3:11	Refuge	Isaiah 25:4
God with Us	Matthew 1:23	Holy	Isaiah 6:3
The Lord	Romans 10:13	Leader	Isaiah 55:4
I Am	John 18:5-6	Ruler	Micah 5:2
Almighty, which is, which was, and which is to come	Revelation 1:8		

1. Look through the list. Circle any names that stand out to you as being something or someone that you need in your life.
2. Spend some time looking up the Bible references next to the names that you circled. Write down anything that stands out to you in those verses.
3. Spend a few moments answering the following questions:
 - Is there anything that your heart needs or wants that Jesus can't be to you?
 - Have you ever accepted Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior? If so, when? If not, would you like to? If you would like to pray and ask Jesus to forgive your sin, come into your heart, and be your boss, go to a Christian friend, your youth minister, or one of the other adults and tell them. They can show you how.
 - If you have already accepted Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior, have you been letting Jesus be all that He can be to you, or are you feeling thirsty?
4. Look at the two papers in your hand. The “What's in It for Me?” sheet represents your sin. This paper represents Jesus. If you had to choose one right now, which one would you choose? Crumple the paper representing what you can do without.

5. Spend a few moments in prayer:

- Confess any sin that might be making you feel far away from God, asking God to reveal to you any sin that might not come to mind at first. Confess them as He brings them to your mind. Thank God for His forgiveness and commit to turn away from that sin.
- Thank Jesus for being everything that you need.
- Tell Jesus what you need Him to be for you. Be specific. Commit to let Him be that without turning to anything else to quench your spiritual thirst.

6. Go to the Jesus wall and write the names of Jesus that mean the most to you, even if someone else has already written them. If you feel led, write a prayer of thanksgiving and praise (compliments) to Jesus on His wall.

7. When you are finished, sit or kneel facing the wall. While everyone else is finishing, spend time in prayer or looking up other names on the list.

Discuss (When students finish, they will all be sitting, kneeling in front of the Jesus wall):

Someday, we will all kneel before the throne of God (Romans 14:11). The “party” of earth will be over and forgotten, and we will see our life on earth for the breath it was. Those who didn’t choose Jesus will wish they had, and those who did choose Him will fully understand what God has done for them through Jesus Christ (1 Cor 13:12).

On that day, we will not be rushed, but will worship the Lord as He deserves to be worshipped.

Play some worship music or lead your students in worship.



THE RESULTS

Big Question: What does the future hold?

Main Idea(s):

Whether or not we like to think about it, Heaven and Hell are real, and everyone will spend eternity in one of those two places. Hell is not for bad people, and Heaven is not for good people. Hell is for those who never accept Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior, and Heaven is for those who do. It is our job as believers to share the Truth of the Gospel so that others might be saved.

Helps available online for today's lesson:

["Heaven and Hell" and "Reality Check" self-guided study sheets](#)
["HELL" Sign](#)

Materials/Prep Needed:

Leave the Jesus wall just as it was yesterday. If you want, you can add to it. You could set up a throne with a purple robe on it, use candelabras, etc.

On what used to be the party wall, hang plain, black paper.

(Alternative: If you don't have black paper to symbolize Hell, write the word HELL on white paper or just post the word HELL on one wall.)

Pencils/pens and tape

Enough copies of the ["Heaven and Hell are for Real"](#) and ["Reality Check"](#) self-guided study sheets for every student to have them.

A stack of 20 notecards for each student.

Tabernacle review:

When students come in, have them sit down as a group and respond briefly to the following questions.

- [What stood out to you during the morning tabernacle time?](#)
- [How were you challenged personally? How will you respond?](#)
- [How do we need to respond to this morning's message as a youth ministry?](#)



1. Give each student a copy of the "Hell is Real" self-guided study sheet and a pen. Tell them to get alone and work through it.

Activity:**Heaven and Hell are Real**

It really doesn't matter what you believe about Heaven and Hell. They are very real places, and death is just a fact of life. Whether or not we want to think about it, every day that we live takes us one step closer to eternity. Everyone is going to spend it one of two places, Heaven or Hell. Some people like to think that Hell is for bad people and Heaven is for good people, but that's not true. Heaven is for those who put their faith in Jesus Christ. Hell is for those who don't. Other people like to think that everyone goes to Heaven unless they are just really awful people. That's not true either. Heaven is not the default; Hell is. It takes the divine intervention of Jesus to rescue a person from that default.

1. Read the following verses and then write a description of Hell using what you just read.

"And if your eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into the fire of hell." Matthew 18:9

"But the subjects of the kingdom will be thrown outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Matthew 8:12

Thankfully, God did not leave mankind in sin, but through Jesus, made a way for everyone to be forgiven and become His sons and daughters once and for all. Those who have a personal relationship with Jesus have no reason to fear Hell. Read the following verses and write a few sentences explaining what you just read.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

"When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory. 'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?'" 1 Corinthians 15: 54, 55

Answer the following questions:

- Does the thought of Hell scare you? Why or why not?
- How would the world be different if everyone understood what Hell was like and knew that it was very real? Is there anyone you would like to tell? What hope could you offer them?

2. Anyone who accepts Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior and submits to His will for their lives can rest assured that they will spend eternity in Heaven.

Look up and read the following verses and describe in a few sentences what Heaven will be like.

Revelation 4:8-11

Revelation 21:1-4, 10-27

1 Corinthians 2:9

Not only do followers of Christ have Heaven to look forward to, but we get to enjoy the peace and joy of a personal relationship now. With the knowledge of Heaven and Hell comes great responsibility. Read the following verses and write down what you think God expects of you.

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:10

"To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some."

1 Corinthians 9:22

"How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?" Romans 10:14

Answer the following questions:

- Will you spend your eternity in Heaven? How do you know?
- Will your loved ones and the people you spend time with spend eternity in Heaven? How do you know?
- What is your responsibility to the people around you? Are you fulfilling your responsibility? Is there anything more that you could be doing?

PART TWO

Discuss:

So, whose job is it to see that those we come in contact with get rescued? To a certain degree, it's ours. Only God can draw a person to Himself, and only God can give a person the faith to be saved. The Holy Spirit brings conviction of sin, and Jesus does the rescuing. So, where do we fit in? We bring the message of the Gospel and then live lives of submission to God that demonstrate to the world His power to change and use anyone. God did not save us so that we could just hang out and wait for Heaven. He expects us to spend our time here inviting as many people as we can to come with us when we go. He expects us to be a fountain of the Living Water that is Jesus Christ.

2. When students return, give them each a "Reality Check" self-guided study sheet and a stack of 20 notecards. Tell them to get alone and work their way through it and to meet with their family group when they are finished.

Activity:

Reality Check

1. Write the names of twenty people you are close to or spend time with on the notecards you were given, one name per card. Think about the names you wrote down. Which ones will you spend eternity with? How do you know?

2. Sort through the names you wrote down. Make a stack of the names of people that you know have a personal relationship with Jesus, people whose testimony of salvation you have heard AND whose life demonstrates the presence of God.

Take that stack in your hands. Spend a few moments thanking God for sending Jesus to save those people and for giving them the faith to accept Him as their Savior and Lord. Thank Him that they have the peace of God in their hearts now and will spend eternity in Heaven. Ask God to use them to lead others to Jesus as well. Lay them aside.

3. Sort through the names you have left. Make two stacks. In one stack lay the names of people you think might have a personal relationship with Jesus, but whose testimony you have not heard personally. In the other stack, lay the names of people you feel pretty sure do not know Jesus. You are not judging these people; that's not your job. No one knows the heart of man but God. You are simply taking an educated guess so that you can develop a plan of action.

Take the stack of people who you think might already know Jesus in your hands. Thank God for sending Jesus to save those people. Thank Him for giving them the opportunity to be saved. Ask Him for the courage to find out whether or not they have a personal relationship with Him. Lay them aside.

Take the stack of people who you feel pretty sure do not know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Thank God for sending Jesus to save those people. Ask Him to give them the faith that they need to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Ask God to give you the courage and opportunity to share the Gospel with them so that they can be saved. Lay them aside.

Pick up the stack of people who you know have been saved. Go and tape those names to the Jesus wall.

Pick up the rest of the names in your stack. Look at the black wall. What do you think it represents?

The Bible tells us that God doesn't want anyone to perish. The good news is that there is still time. There's no reason for any of those people to end up anywhere other than with Jesus.

4. Reflect for just a moment and answer the following questions:

- How did it feel to tape the first stack of names to the Jesus wall?
- How badly would you like to tape the rest of the names that you hold to that wall? What is the alternative?
- What role do you think God wants you to play in making sure that all the people you know will be in Heaven someday? What happens if you don't obey?

5. Take a few moments and come up with a plan. Put the names that you hold in the order that you plan to talk to them about Jesus. If any of them are at camp with you this week, put those on top and talk to them today. Ask them to share their personal testimony, or story, with you. They won't be offended. Chances are, someone will come to talk to you as well. You should both be happy that the other one cares enough to make sure you are saved. After that, put the names in the order that you will see them.

On each card, write anything that you want that particular person to know, anything that you think would make a difference to them and encourage them to ask Jesus into their hear, to come to faith in Jesus. It could be something you learned this week or something you already knew. Below that information, write the opening line of the future conversation about Jesus that you plan to have with that person. If you don't know, here are some suggestions:

- o Can I tell you what I learned at camp?
- o Can I ask you a personal question? What do you think it means to be a Christian? Can I tell you what I believe?
- o Can I tell you about the best decision I ever made?
- o I've always just assumed that you were a Christian, but I care about you, so I want to make sure.

When you are finished, go to your family group.

3. Ask Students to get into their Family Groups and discuss the following questions.

- What was difficult about that exercise?
- What was encouraging?
- What are you most excited/nervous about as you look ahead to the task in front of you?
- How, specifically, can we pray for you now and in the days ahead? Spend time praying for one another in whatever way works best for your group.
- Take turns telling the story of how you met Jesus with one another.

2.3 CABIN WRAP UP & EVENING CABIN DEVOTIONAL

The cabin devotion guide is intended to provide a resource for the 10:15 p.m. Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional. Read through the materials before camp and make necessary adaptations to benefit your group. Use as much of this guide as you like to provide an evening devotional time for your group. If you would like to host a missionary or Falls Creek summer staff member for one devotional during the week, sign up at registration on Monday.

For most churches, there are three goals for the cabin wrap-up: [(1) allow students to process with an adult and other students what the Holy Spirit has been teaching them all day, (2) discuss the practical application of those truths when you return home, and (3) allow students to make decisions about their life.]

Here is a suggested time format for the Cabin Wrap-Up/Evening Cabin Devotional. By keeping your cabin wrap-up/devotion time short (less than an hour for all teaching, announcements, family group discussion, etc.), you can help your students and adults get much needed rest.

OUR RECOMMENDED STRUCTURE IS:

- Start with a late night snack
- Recognize students (and adults) who have made decisions for Christ, served all day, or have done something worthy of recognition.
- Announcements about the next day
- Interactive opening
- Wrap-up teaching time (review the day)
- Quick closing announcements (cabin curfew/last minute issues)
- Dismiss to "Family Groups" to discuss/process the day (for ideas on designing discussion groups, go to [page 17](#))
- Add a worship time, decision time, or other elements based on the traditions, size, and maturity of your group

Note: You might consider doing a team point competition throughout the week and award one prize for the winning team at the end of the week.

LIVING WATER

Prep Needs (Depending on Opening Option)

Option One

- buckets of equal size (x2 for each team)
- large sponge (x1 for each team)
- water (to fill one of the buckets)
- towels for safety or clean up
- prize for winning team

Option Two

- buckets of equal size (x2)
- large sponge (x1)
- water (to fill one of the buckets)
- towels for safety or clean up
- prize for winning "guesser" or team



Interactive Opening (10 minutes)

Option One

Form relay teams. Set up two buckets of equal size in front of each team, one bucket at the starting line and one bucket straight ahead at the opposite side of the room. Fill the bucket at the opposite end of the room with water. To be fair, make sure that all teams have an equal amount of water in their distant bucket. You may want to cover each runway with towels or have workers standing by to sop up water so that students don't slip on the wet floor and get hurt.

Give each team one large sponge. Explain that the object of the game is to transfer the water from the distant bucket to the one nearest their team by sponge. Team members must take turns 1) running to the opposite bucket, 2) soaking up water with the sponge, 3) running back to the bucket at the starting line, and 4) squeezing the water out of the sponge into the starting line bucket. The first team to empty the far bucket AND squeeze the last bit of water into their starting line bucket wins.

Option Two

Set two buckets on a table in front of your group. Fill one with water and leave the other one empty. Hold up a large sponge for everyone to see. Let every student (or each team) guess how many times you will have to soak that sponge and empty it into the other bucket to transfer all of the water from one bucket to the other. Transfer the water, counting each time you wring out the sponge. The student, or team, with the closest guess wins a prize.

Discuss

This week, we will be talking a lot about water, being thirsty, and how to quench our thirst. God doesn't want any of us to feel dry and empty inside. If we let Him, He will satisfy our thirst, filling us up to overflowing with Living Water. What's Living Water? Let's jump in and find out together.

Teaching/Wrap-Up (15-20)

This week, we will be talking about Jesus, the "Living Water." We will focus on John 4:13-14. These verses are taken from a story full of ordinary people just like us who were just minding their own business, living life as normal, and then ended up having an unexpected, life-changing experience with God in human form. Those who are new to this God stuff may find that a little hard to believe, but those who have a personal relationship with Jesus know to expect extraordinary things where He is concerned.

God has much to say to us through the story of the woman at the well, and we will study it more closely during your quiet time this week. For now, though, let's read through it together and see which character(s) you have the most in common with.

Read John 4:1-26

The **woman at the well** was looking for something more than a simple drink of water. She was somewhat familiar with the religion of her ancestors and Jewish teaching, understanding that it had something to do with her, but she didn't know Jesus yet. Her search for meaning and fulfillment had led her down a winding path of mistakes and restarts and left her without much to show for her efforts. Still, she was curious enough to ask questions and was open to what Jesus had to say, hoping that He was what she had been looking for.

Read John 4:28-29, 39-42

The **townspeople**, at first, knew even less about Jesus than the woman at the well, who had at least had the opportunity to ask questions and consider what Jesus had to say. They had no choice, at first, but to take the woman's word for whom Jesus was, but they were curious, curious enough to spend a few days with Jesus and see what His message had to do with them.

Read John 4:27-38

The **disciples** knew Jesus personally. They walked with Him on a daily basis and had begun to trust His wisdom to a certain degree. They loved Him very much, but they still had much to learn about their Master, His mission, and the role they were to play in His plan, sometimes missing the obvious Truths that Jesus wanted them to learn. Even so, they were willing to be taught and to follow wherever He would lead them.

Where do you stand tonight? Are you like the woman at the well, seeking, curious, and somewhat knowledgeable, but still empty inside, in need of a Savior? Or, are you like the townspeople, unfamiliar with Jesus, but willing to spend a few days listening to what He has to say? Or, are you like the disciples, having a personal relationship with Jesus and loving Him deeply, but still trying to figure out what He wants for and from you?

Wherever you are coming from tonight, Jesus is waiting to have a conversation with you and give you the answers that you seek. This week, it is our prayer that you will open your heart to Him and listen to what He has to say. When He speaks, consider what His words have to do with you and don't be afraid to drink the "Living Water" He offers.

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Large or Small Group Discussion Questions (20-25)

1. Give each member of your group a chance to share their name and tell a little bit about themselves.
2. Why did you come to camp this week? What are you hoping to get out of it? What are you most looking forward to?
3. Which of the characters in the story we read do you identify with the most? What do you have in common with them?
4. What do you think God wants you to get out of camp this week? Are you open to that?
5. How can we pray for you tonight? Spend time praying for each member of your group in whatever way works best for everyone.

THE RIGHT FIT

Prep Needs (Depending on Opening Choice)

Option One

- long table (1 or 2 depending on number of teams)
- blindfold (x1 for each team representative)
- toddler's shape-sorting bucket (x1 for each participant)
- prize for winning representative or team

Option Two

- actual basketball goal or "homemade" goal
- balls or various sizes (x2 or 3 for each participant)
- stop watch
- prize for winning representative or team



Interactive Opening (10 minutes)

Option One

Divide your group into teams. Ask each team to select their smartest, fastest, most competitive team member to represent them in a race. Encourage the rest of each team to cheer for the person they selected. Position all representatives behind a long table in the front of the room so that they face the rest of your students. Blindfold them.

In front of each representative, place a toddler's shape-sorting bucket. Time the representatives as they put all of the shapes into the right holes without looking. The first representative to get all of the shapes into the right holes wins for his/her team.

Discussion for Option One:

Just as there is only one shape to fit each hole in the sorter, there is only one solution for the hole in our hearts. That solution is Jesus Christ. We can try to fill that space with other things, but we will never get full that way, just as we could never fill the container by trying to shove a triangle shape into a round hole. Trying to do so is not only pointless, but frustrating.

Option Two

Divide your group into teams. Ask each team to select their best ball player, whether their sport is basketball, football, baseball, softball, etc. Encourage the rest of each team to cheer for the person they selected. Set up a goal at one end of the room. You can use an actual basketball goal or cut a hole in a board or poster board and hold it up. Line representatives up behind a shooting line ten to fifteen feet away and have a rebounder ready to return balls to the shooters.

Provide each shooter with two or three balls to choose from, only one of which will actually fit through the goal. Tell them that they can use any ball they want as many times as they want. Let each shooter shoot for thirty seconds. The one with the most goals wins for his/her team.

Discussion for Option Two

Trying to make a goal with a ball that won't fit through the hole is foolish, just as trying to fill the God-shaped hole in your heart with anything other than Jesus is foolish. If you try it, you will become frustrated and discouraged over time.

Teaching/Wrap-Up (15-20)

As we discussed this morning, everyone sins (Romans 3:23). That sin separates us from God, leaving an emptiness in our hearts that only Jesus can fill. Trying to fill that emptiness with anything other than Jesus just doesn't work. In fact, it only intensifies our thirst for Him.

The Bible is full of stories about thirsty people. Let's look at two of them.

Read Luke 19:1-11

Zaccheus was thirsty. He tried to quench his thirst with money. When that wasn't enough, he began to cheat people to get even more money. Still, it wasn't enough. He was so thirsty that when he heard Jesus was passing through, he risked looking foolish in order to see if Jesus was the answer to the emptiness inside of Him. He was.

Read Luke 7:36-38, 44-48

The woman in this passage is described as being sinful. The fact that she possessed the large bottle of perfume and the response of those around Jesus when she poured it out on Him suggests that she was a prostitute. At some point in her life, this woman turned to promiscuity. Whether or not it was her choice to begin with, she had embraced the lifestyle. Obviously, it was not enough because she came searching for Jesus. She found that He was the answer she was looking for.

These people were thirsty. They sought fulfillment in earthly things, but those things weren't enough. Are you thirsty? Are you looking for a way to quench the thirst in your heart? What do your actions say about the condition of your heart? Are you looking for more than you have found so far? If so, the good news is that Jesus is the answer you have been looking for.

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Maybe you have already given your heart to Jesus. That's wonderful! Once we choose to let Jesus fill the emptiness in our hearts, we belong to Him forever (Romans 8:39). However, we will still make mistakes as long as we have to live in this sinful, corrupt world, and those mistakes will make us feel far from God, even though He never leaves us. Even the disciples made mistakes. Peter, the disciple who walked on water with Jesus' help, later denied that he ever knew Jesus.

Sin can cause serious static in our relationship with Jesus if we don't continually confess our sin and give our hearts to Him for cleaning (1 John 1:9), making it hard to communicate with Him (Psalm 66:18-19). When we let things go for too long, that static can cause us to doubt God and doubt whether we ever knew Jesus to start with (2 Peter 1:8-9), creating a more miserable thirst than we have ever known, for no true follower of Christ can find contentment living in sin (1 John 3:6). If we truly belong to Him, we will come back to Him every time (1 John 1:19), and the sooner, the better.

Peter was sorry for denying Jesus the moment he realized what he had done. In fact, he was miserable. He knew he couldn't continue to deny the One that had changed his life. How do we know? He returned immediately to the body of believers and became the father of the Church as we know it today. He never backed down again and remained an obedient follower of Christ until his death.

If you truly belong to Jesus, but have made mistakes that are causing static in your relationship with God, mistakes that might even be causing you to doubt, now is the time to fix it. Don't live in misery any longer. Confess your sin to Jesus and accept His forgiveness. Let Him clean your heart up, learn to see yourself as God sees you, and make a habit of surrendering your life to Him every day. God has great plans for you if you will return to Him and let Him quench your thirst through Jesus, the sooner, the better.

Large or Small Group Discussion Questions (20-25)

1. Which story stood out to you the most? Why?
2. Is your heart thirsty? Do your actions support your answer?
3. If you are thirsty, what is causing your thirst? What can you do about it?
4. Where do you usually turn when you are thirsty? How does that work for you? Is that the right place to turn?
5. Have you ever let Jesus quench your thirst? If so, tell about it. What were the circumstances? What was the result?
6. What would you be willing to give up in order to have your spiritual thirst quenched once and for all?
7. How can we pray for you? Spend time praying for each member of your group in whatever way works best for you.



TO GET CLEAN

Prep Needs (Depending on Opening Choice)

Option One

- long table (1 or 2 depending on number of teams)
- large bowls (1 for each team representative) of water
- water
- stained piece of white fabric (x1 for each participant, try to make the stains match in size and intensity),
- “cleaning” supplies. Here are some suggestions: Febreze, perfume, deodorant, white paint, and laundry soap.
- stain judge
- stop watch
- prize for the winning representative or team

Option Two

- long table (x1)
- large bowl of water
- piece of white fabric stained in two places
- laundry or dish soap and several or all of the following “stain-fighting” items: Febreze, perfume, deodorant, white paint, and laundry soap

Interactive Opening (10 minutes)

Option One

Divide your group into teams. Ask each team to select a representative. Encourage the rest of each team to cheer for the person they selected. Position all representatives behind a long table in the front of the room so that they face the rest of your students. In front of each student, place a large bowl of water, a stained piece of white fabric (try to make the stains match in size and intensity), and a row of “cleaning” supplies. Here are some suggestions: Febreze, perfume, deodorant, white paint, and laundry soap.

Appoint a stain judge. Give students one minute to use the items in front of them to get the stain out of their piece of fabric. The representative that gets the stain out (as determined by the stain judge) first wins for their team. If no stain is completely removed by the end of one minute, the representative that has done the best stain removal job wins for their team.

Option Two

Set up a table in front of your group. On the table, set out a bowl of water, a piece of white fabric stained in two places, laundry or dish soap and several or all of the following “stain-fighting” items: Febreze, perfume, deodorant, white paint, and laundry soap.

Ask students which of the stain-fighting items will get out the stains. Try all of them except the laundry soap one by one on the same stain, acting confused as to why they aren’t working. Then, use the laundry soap and water to actually remove the other stain.

Discuss

When you want to get something clean, only soap will do. Other items might cover up the stain or make the fabric smell clean to someone who can’t see it, but they won’t fix the problem. Likewise, there are many ways to make yourself feel better for a little while and make others think you have it all together, but they can’t fix what is broken inside of you. Only Jesus can get your heart clean so that you can become what God wants you to be and live the rich, meaningful life He has planned for you.

Teaching/Wrap-Up (15-20)

In His own words, Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10). He performs other miracles as well, though, and we have to be careful not to get so caught up in these secondary, if more visible, displays of His power and compassion that we begin to think of Jesus as our own personal genie. Nothing could be further from the Truth. Jesus does not obey us. We obey Him. He is not a quick fix, nor does He want to be thought of in that way. He is not here to please or entertain us; He is here to redeem us.

Read Mark 1:21-28

In this story, an unclean spirit is the one to announce who Jesus is, and it makes Jesus angry. Jesus tells the spirit to be quiet and casts Him out. Jesus did not want or need the testimony of the unclean spirit, which would have made Him seem like a simple novelty or oddity on the same level as the demon, to the people around Him. It would have drawn a crowd that was there to see the freak show, so to speak, and would have hindered His mission to seek and save the lost.

Read Luke 4:42-44

In this story, Jesus is trying to refuel by spending time alone with the Father after ministering in a town. A crowd of people from the town come looking for Him. They wanted Him to do more miracles, but He insisted that He keep moving so that He could preach “the good news of the Kingdom of God” to other cities. It’s not that He didn’t want to minister to them. In that particular instance, He must have felt that He had performed enough miracles for them to believe in the One who sent Him. He needed to get back to His primary goal, seeking and saving the lost, so that others could have the chance to believe.

Read Mark 1:40-45

In this story, Jesus heals a man with leprosy. The man uses the phrase “if you are willing.” Jesus is offended by this because it shows that the man doesn’t have any idea who he is talking to. Jesus was so full of compassion, mercy, and love that He eventually went to the cross for us, but the man in this story doesn’t care. He thinks he can manipulate Jesus into healing him. Jesus chooses to heal the man anyway because the man’s leprosy has kept him outside of the city gates and prevented him from worshipping God properly. Jesus’ primary objective in healing the man was to clear the way for the man to be made right with God, not to draw a crowd. Apparently, the man wasn’t interested in getting things right with God. He disobeys Jesus’ orders to go to the priest and offer a sacrifice and, instead, tells everyone what Jesus did for Him, something Jesus told him not to do. A curious crowd gathers and prevents Jesus from entering the city, hindering His mission there.

Jesus wants to work a miracle in your life. He wants to forgive your sin and make a way for you to have intimate fellowship with God. He may or may not choose to perform other miracles in your life, and that’s okay. We have to trust that He is working all things together for our good and His glory. This life is just temporary anyway. It’s eternity that matters most. We can’t let ourselves get caught up in the sensational or become wistful for something more than God intends for us to have, or we will become a hindrance to Jesus’ mission.

If you have a personal relationship with Jesus or are considering giving your heart to Him, understand that Jesus is not one of many ways to quench your thirst. He is the only way. Jesus can heal your heart. He will give you purpose and joy, but you must give everything in return both now and forever. There is no trying Jesus out for a while to see how a relationship with Him might benefit you. You either choose Jesus or you don’t, and time will tell whether the experience that you claim as your moment of salvation is real or not. If it your salvation experience is real and you were sincere in giving your life to Him, there will be a real change in you (2 Corinthians 5:17).

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Large or Small Group Discussion Questions (20-25):

1. Do you think Jesus performs miracles today? Explain and/or give examples.
2. Is it bad to want to see Jesus do miracles? Explain. Will miracles quench your spiritual thirst?
3. Are you more interested in what Jesus can do or who He is? Explain.
4. Are you more interested in being used by Jesus or being blessed by Jesus? Explain.
5. Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus? If so, how has Jesus changed you? If not, what is holding you back?
6. Does anything need to change?
7. How can we pray for you? Spend time praying for each member of your group in whatever way works best for you.

TAKING ACTION

Prep Needs (Depending on Opening Choice)

Option One

- buckets (x2 for each team)
- backpacks (x1 for each team)
- items for teams of 5: key, spoon, eraser, matches, and a chip clip or twist tie.
- long table (x1 or 2 depending on number of teams)
- Binders (x1 for each team)
- adult helper
- items for adult helper: lock, open pudding cup, unlit candle, a flyer or other document with a huge pencil smear on it, and an open loaf of bread
- prize for team representatives or each team

Option Two

- long table (x1)
- suitcase (x1)
- items for suitcase/ scenarios: swim floaties, a Bible, money, a camera, snacks, underwear, shoes, sunscreen, ski gear, a coil of rope, a flashlight, pillow, a sleep mask, a dictionary or come up with more or other items and scenarios.

Interactive Opening (10 minutes)

Option One

Divide your group into teams. Choose five representatives from each team for a relay. Encourage the rest of your students to cheer for their team representatives. At one end of the room, mark a starting line. Give each team one backpack and a bucket containing the following items: key, spoon, eraser, matches, and a chip clip or twist tie.

At the opposite end of the room, set up a long table. Station one adult helper (not part of any team) per team behind that table. In front of each helper set a binder up on its end so that the relay teams cannot see what is behind it. Give each helper a bucket with the following items: lock, open pudding cup, unlit candle, a flyer or other document with a huge pencil smear on it, and an open loaf of bread.

Ask the helpers to set out one of the items so that it cannot be seen behind the binder. Relay team members are to take turns packing and wearing the backpack. When it is their turn, they must pick one tool from their bucket, put it in the backpack, carry it to the other end of the room, and look behind the binder. If they brought the right tool for the job, they may complete the task before them and return the backpack to the next relay team member. If they brought the wrong tool for the job, they must return the useless tool to the bucket at the starting line, pick out the right tool, carry it in the backpack back to the table, and complete the task. Then, they may hand the backpack off to the next team member. The first team to complete all tasks with the correct tools and cross the start line wins.

Option Two

Stand at a table at the front of the room with an open, empty suitcase in front of you. Gather the following items and show them to your students before setting them to the side (These are just suggestions. You can be as concrete or absurd as you want to be in this exercise. Use your imagination.): swim "floaties", a Bible, money, a camera, snacks, underwear, shoes, sunscreen, ski gear, a coil of rope, a flashlight, pillow, a sleep mask, a dictionary.

Read the following scenarios one at a time to your students and ask them what they would need to pack for such a trip (If you have gathered different items, create scenarios to fit those items). Pack and repack the suitcase. You can make this really funny by packing the wrong items (i.e. packing the coil of rope for Vacation Bible School).

You are going to Jamaica for ten days with your best friend.

You are going to Colorado over Christmas break.

You are going on a mission trip to Venezuela to teach Vacation Bible school to elementary school children.

You are going spelunking (cave exploring).

You are going to a lock-in at your church.

Discuss

It's hard to pack a bag when you don't know what lies ahead of you, but there is no excuse for being unprepared when you know what's coming. God doesn't want anyone to enter eternity unprepared. That's why He gave us the Bible, which is very clear about Heaven and Hell and who is going to end up where. Those who give their hearts to Jesus go to Heaven. Those who do not give their hearts to Jesus go to Hell, not because God wants it that way, but because they choose not to take action and heed God's warning.

Teaching/Wrap-Up (15-20)

There is a major and crucial difference between having a spiritual experience and becoming a follower of Jesus. The first requires nothing of you; the second demands everything. The world is full of people who claim to be Christians, but aren't. Sometimes they know they are faking it, and sometimes they don't. It is possible to experience emotion in worship, receive what seems to be an answer to prayer, speak knowledgeably about the Bible, and do good deeds without ever having a personal relationship with Jesus. To know Jesus personally is to surrender to Him fully and follow where He leads.

Read Mark 10:17-22

The young man in this story was successful by the world's standards and by the standards of the religious leaders of his day, having great wealth and having kept every commandment. Still, he knew that it wasn't enough to get him to Heaven and came looking for Jesus, desperate for answers. He was on the right track. He had enough faith to believe that Jesus held the key to eternal life, but he wasn't willing to take action on that faith and so left without the spiritual healing he was looking for.

Read Luke 17:11-14

The lepers in this story understood their need and believed that Jesus could meet their needs, as did the young ruler. They called to Jesus and asked Him to heal them of their leprosy. This request cost them nothing, and so Jesus did not heal them immediately. Instead, He told them to go show themselves to the priests. Still covered with sores, they did what Jesus asked, risking the scorn of those who would shun them if their wounds didn't heal. They had enough faith to take action, and so they were healed.

God gives us the faith it takes to believe in Jesus and surrender our lives to Him; what we do with that faith once He gives it is up to us. It's not enough to learn about Jesus and acknowledge that He is who He says He is. Even the demons do that (James 2:19). The Bible says that that kind of faith is "dead" (James 2:20). We have to act on the faith that God gives us, surrendering ourselves to the Lordship of Jesus Christ permanently, not holding anything back. Then and only then will our faith save and change us. People who never change after having an "experience" with Jesus only met Him; they did not "get saved," or become a Christian (1 John 2:3-6).

Sooner or later, each of us has to decide for ourselves what we will do with Jesus. You cannot sit this one out. There is no middle ground. You are either for Him or against Him. Once you understand there is a choice to be made, you are responsible for your response to the Gospel. The choice you make will determine both the quality of your life now and where you will spend eternity. Are you prepared? Will you put your faith into action by surrendering to Him?

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Large or Small Group Discussion Questions (20-25)

1. Whom do you relate to the most, the young ruler or the lepers? Explain.
2. Do you believe that Jesus is the key to eternal life? If so, have you put that faith into action by surrendering your whole life to Him? What was it like to take your first steps of faith?
3. If you don't believe that Jesus is the key to eternal life, what doubts or questions do you still have? Would you be open to letting someone help you find the answers you are looking for? (If they say "yes," send them to a Christian adult that is not currently leading a family group or offer to talk to them when everyone else has left.)
4. Do you consider it risky to choose to follow Jesus wherever he leads? Explain. Is Jesus worth the risk?
5. Jesus wants and deserves to be first in our lives. To follow Him, we must be willing to let go of everything else? What things in your life do you hold too tightly? Is Jesus asking you to let anything go?
6. How can we pray for you? Spend time praying for each member of your group in whatever way works best for you.

FOR KEEPS

Prep Needs (Depending on Opening Choice)

Option One

- three doors or boxes (or anything that can hide the prizes) clearly numbered #1, #2, and #3
- three prizes of differing values (2 should be absolutely worthless. 1 should be something all of your students would want.)
- a dollar
- number slips for each student

Option Two:

- random items (Some of the items should be worthless, even gross. Others should be a pretty good deal for a dollar. One should be something that all of your students would be willing to pay a dollar for.)
- a dollar (in case no one has a dollar on them)

Interactive Opening (10 minutes)

Option One

Play *Let's Make a Deal*. Set up three doors or boxes or anything that can hide the prizes to be given away in this game and number them visibly #1, #2, and #3. Behind each of the three doors or in each of the three boxes or hidden in the manner you chose, place three prizes of differing values. Two should be absolutely worthless. The other should be something that all of your students would want.

Pass out numbers to all of your students. When you are ready to play the game, choose a random number. The student with that number is your contestant. Call that contestant to the front of the room and give them a dollar. Explain to that student that there are three prizes hidden behind the doors, in the boxes, or wherever you hid them. Tell them that they can keep their dollar or choose a number to claim the corresponding hidden prize in exchange for their dollar. If they choose to keep their dollar, their choice is "for keeps," and they may sit down. Keep doing this until you have a student willing to trade their dollar for a prize.

Once the student chooses a number, show them their prize and take their dollar. Tell them that they can keep the prize or trade for another hidden prize, but remind them that they are playing "for keeps" this time. Let the student make their choice and reveal the result, reiterating that the results of their choice are final.

Option Two

Ask students if they have a dollar on them. Ask those who do to hold it up. Then, hold up random items. Ask who would be willing to pay their dollar for the item you hold up. You don't have to actually sell the items, but you can if you want to. Some of the items should be worthless, even gross. Others should be a pretty good deal for a dollar. One should be something that all of your students would be willing to pay a dollar for.

Discuss

A dollar isn't worth much anymore. Still, it seems a shame to spend it on something worthless. Furthermore, if you get a chance to trade a dollar for something worth far more than one hundred pennies, that's a real bargain. Of course, if you don't know what you are trading for, then you can't be held accountable for a bad trade, but if you know what you are trading for, there's no excuse for making a bad choice.

On the other hand, your life is extremely valuable, and you are currently spending it on something, whether you realize it or not. If you aren't daily giving yourself to Jesus Christ, then you are wasting it. Because the Bible tells us what God's will is for our lives, there is no excuse for making poor choices with what we have been given, and we will be held accountable some day. Where eternity is concerned, we are most definitely playing "for keeps."

Teaching/Wrap-Up (15-20)

Please be very careful not to sensationalize today's lesson (i.e. no they-died-in-a-car-wreck-on-the-way-home-from-church-after-not-getting-saved stories). You want your students to make sincere, informed, life-changing decisions for Christ, not false statements of faith based on fear and emotional manipulation that will only cause confusion for them later. Simply share Truth and leave room for the Holy Spirit to bring conviction.

Your life has worth, if only because Jesus died for you. Though your life is a gift, it was given to you for a specific reason, God's glory. To spend it on anything else is wasteful and foolish. Though it may seem that living your life for yourself is profitable now, getting you what you think you want here on earth, it isn't. Living this life for yourself will cost you in eternity, whether you are a Christian or not. (The price non-Christians will pay is eternity in Hell. The price Christians will pay for wasting time on themselves is some of their Heavenly reward.)

Read Luke 19-31

This story is one of several parables, or teaching stories, that Jesus used to communicate Truth to the Pharisees, the political leaders of that day who claimed devotion to God but lived for themselves by their own power. Jesus wanted the Pharisees to understand that there would be a judgment one day and that what they accumulated for themselves here on earth would do nothing for them then. He also wanted them to understand that it would be too late at that point to change the eternal consequences of their self-centered choices here on earth.

This story has nothing, really, to do with the fact that one man is poor and one man is rich other than to point out the rich man's selfish nature (He didn't even care for the poor man right outside his gate.) and compare Lazarus' condition here on earth to his eternal condition. Jesus is not saying that poor people go to Heaven and rich people go to Hell.

Knowing what we do about what it takes to get to Heaven, we can assume that Lazarus had surrendered His heart to God because the angels took him to Heaven when he died. The fact that his name is given and the rich man's is not, also hints at the personal nature of God's relationship to this man. Not one of us would envy Lazarus' condition here on earth. He had no possessions and no one to love or provide for him. He didn't even have his health. In the end, though, his was the better condition by far. His brief life was miserable, but his eternity was blessed.

By sharp contrast, the rich man had family, wealth, and a measure of health. However, he did not have the most important thing, a right relationship with God. The fact that he knew exactly who Lazarus was when he saw him from Hell but didn't do anything to help him here on earth proves this. When he died, he went to hell for lack of that right relationship with God. Though many would envy the rich man's condition here on earth, in the end, his eternal condition was far worse than Lazarus'. His brief life was enjoyable, but his eternity was cursed.

This cautionary tale has just as much to say to us as it did to the Pharisees. Here are some important Truths to take away:

1. The choices that we make reveal much about the condition of our hearts.
2. Knowing about God is not the same as knowing God. Notice that Lazarus and his brothers were familiar with teaching of Moses and the prophets, but Lazarus still ended up in Hell because he hadn't acted on what he knew about having a right relationship with God.
3. The struggles of this life are temporary, but the eternal blessing of Heaven waits for those who surrender their hearts to God and pursue Him.
4. The world and its pleasures will pass away, but the eternal misery of Hell waits for those who do not surrender their hearts to God and live for themselves instead.
5. The choices we make here on earth affect our eternity in a non-reversible, permanent way.
6. God is compassionate, wanting everyone to be saved, and every day that we live is God giving us a chance to surrender to Him before it is too late.

What Jesus offers you, both here on earth now and in Heaven later, far surpasses anything that you could dream up for yourself. Because He is everything you need, the only thing that lasts, He is the only thing worth having.

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Large or Small Group Discussion Questions (20-25)

1. What encouragement do you draw from this parable? What warning do you hear in this parable?
2. Could this parable have taken place in American? Your home town? Your school? Explain your answer.
3. Do you live your life for yourself or for God? Would the people that live life around you (friends, acquaintances, and strangers) agree?
4. How does it make you feel to know that eternal judgment is coming and can't be avoided? For whom are you most concerned? What can you do about it?
5. Which of the Truths listed in this lesson do you think is most important for people to know? Whose job is it to tell them?
6. What do you sense God saying to you? How will you respond?
7. How can we pray for you? Spend time praying for each member of your group in whatever way works best for you.

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