

BEAR TRACKS



A Word from the Director

In my 28 years as Director at BLC, I could have never imagined a Summer without campers on our grounds. However, one thing I have learned over the years is that the God we serve is Trustworthy and Faithful. We have had many different hurdles, set backs and trials over the years of leading this ministry but as we continue to remain steadfast and lean completely on Him and His Word, He is faithful to lead us through the storms and trials. He has proven this to us over and over. There are several truths to which we have anchored ourselves during this barren season.

1. **We have a “Living Hope” in the one True God.** He is still on the throne. He is still Sovereign. His Gospel is still Life-giving and Life-changing and the lens thru which we need to view all that we experience here on earth – even a pandemic. His Word is still true. It is worth knowing, engaging and whole-heartedly following.
2. **Our Mission is still front and center** - *“to challenge individuals to know and mature in Christ”*. Helping our campers, staff and guests to grow in their understanding of and their relationship with Christ using the tools of Christian Camping drives us to keep pressing on. We believe that Christian Camping is more relevant now than ever – helping kids grab hold of Christ in a world that is in extreme chaos, distracted, confused and anxious about the future.
3. **We have been reminded in a new way to “Be Still & Know that I am God” (Ps. 46:10)** We as a staff have experienced the most quiet summer in the past 72 years at BLC. But in it we have been reminded of a truth we often teach— it is in the slowing down that we can sink our roots into our true source of meaning and sustenance. God speaks to us when we slow down and spend time with Him, quietly reflecting on His Truth.
4. **God works through His People.** We have been overwhelmed by the donations being given by individuals and churches which have been an enormous help and blessing to our operations during this season of not only lost ministry but loss of operational revenue. We as a staff are so incredibly thankful for your generosity and support during this very difficult time.....TO GOD BE THE GLORY

As we continue our journey through this pandemic please know that we continue to pray for our campers who would have been here this past Summer – that they will be reminded and encouraged by seeds that have been planted in their souls and that they will encounter the presence and peace of Christ. Also know that we are already hard at work planning and praying for Summer 2021. Mark your calendar and get ready for the Best Summer Ever – “Undivided 2021”

May God be Glorified today and forevermore,



This Print hangs in the new chapel to honor the faithful lives and ministry of Jim & Carolyn Martin.



We want to celebrate God's faithfulness— even in the midst of the chaos & upheaval which seeks to define 2020. We have officially completed the construction of the New Chapel Project! Thanks to the generosity of many individuals and churches, this new space is ready to hear the name of Jesus lifted high from the lips of God's people for years to come! Even though it has sat empty this summer, we are trusting God is not finished with BLC yet.



Thank you to Columbiana 1st Presbyterian Church for their generous partnership and gift of a Yamaha baby grand piano to be used in the new chapel!



TREASURE

Give financially to support impacting people for Jesus Christ. Mail a check in the provided envelope or partner online at bearlakecamp.com. And check out our online wish list!



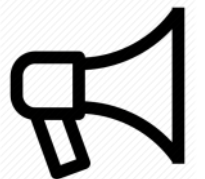
TIME & TALENTS

Volunteer and give your time to help support operations & development at BLC. Come on your own or with a group. Various projects from landscaping, renovations, and building new bunkbeds. Contact the camp office to schedule a time (260-799-5988).



TESTIMONY

Share what God has done through Bear Lake Camp. Tag Bear Lake Camp in your social media post or email your testimony to info@bearlakecamp.com. We want to share your stories of life-change on our website and as we apply for grant funding.



- Baby Grand Piano Cover
- Hand Sanitizer
- Push Brooms (6x)
- Corn Brooms (10)
- Pump Hand Soap
- Floor Lamps (12)
- Camera Tripod
- Wheeled Dry Erase Board
- 8' Lifetime Folding Tables (6x)

- 12 Canoe Paddles
- 25 new Members of the 200/10 donor club (monthly donors of \$10)
- Disinfectant wipes
- AA & AAA batteries
- 3'x5' floor mats (black color)- 8x
- Toilet paper (not really, we've got plenty)

WISHLIST

T-SHIRT

We know many of our campers and supporters look forward to getting a new BLC shirt every year. Not having camp this summer made that seem impossible this year. BUT YOU'RE IN LUCK! We are excited to share an opportunity to not only get a limited edition BLC tee, but also support BLC. A healthy chunk of the sale of each purchase goes to BLC's operations.



Only Available
Until 9/18!

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“I remember making a decision to follow Jesus in chapel in middle school. I am grateful Bear Lake camp still helps youth experience fun and Jesus in nature. My children have also loved Bear Lake and have experienced heart change and critical junctures in their growth. Today more than ever we need places for youth to step away from technology and into the canvas of God's creation.”

- Jeanette Jordan

“My kids adore Bear Lake Camp and they have been heartbroken all summer about not being able to attend camp. Camp has provided tremendous spiritual growth experiences as well as relational and recreational opportunities. I've been so impressed by how my kids have grown in faith, independence and friendship over the years at camp.”

-Jeff & Beth Yates

CAMP MATTERS

“We are beyond blessed to have such a gem of a place, and such wonderful people at Bear Lake Camp to support our children in their walk with God- it is a necessity” 🙌❤️

-The Adair Family

2021 IMPORTANT DATES

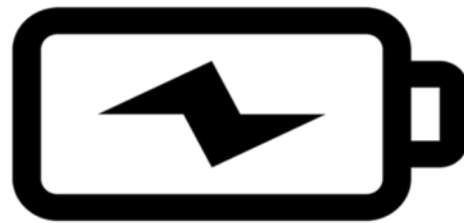


DEC 11-12, 2020
COLLEGE RETREAT



JAN 1-3, 2021
HIGH SCHOOL
RETREAT

RECHARGE



FEB 5-6, 2021
MIDDLE SCHOOL
RETREAT

breathe.



MARCH 5-6, 2021
WOMEN'S RETREAT
RETREAT

*Senior Day
Away*

APRIL 22, 2021
SR. DAY AWAY



2021 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

Dates	Sessions	Grade Entering Fall 2021
June 4-5 (Fri-Sat)	Primary Overnight	2nd-3rd
June 6-11 (Sun-Fri)	Jr. High 1	7th-9th
June 13-18 (Sun-Fri)	Junior 1	4th-6th
June 20-25 (Sun-Fri)	Jr. High 2	7th-9th
June 27- July 2 (Sun-Fri)	Sr. High	10th-Grad
July 4-9 (Sun-Fri)	Junior 2	3rd-6th
July 11-16 (Sun-Fri)	Jr. High 3	7th-9th
July 18-22 (Sun-Thurs)	Junior 3	3rd-5th



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