

# Bear Lake Camp – Bear Tracks

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That They May Know Him...

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**Wishing each of you the Blessings of  
Christ during this Christmas Season  
and the coming New Year.**

“The word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:14

***The BLC Staff and Board of Directors***

## 2011, here we come!

If you're like me, you're wondering how 2010 could have sped by so quickly and how we can be heading full speed into 2011. For BLC that means looking forward to revealing a new summer theme, mailing registration forms, and planning for another amazing summer. It is always an exciting process as plans develop and unfold and campers start to register for the next summer. But before we get too far ahead, I'd like to take one more look at our 2010 theme: **Captivated.**

Hebrews 12:1-2 urges us, *“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so*



*easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. <sup>2</sup>Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and*

*sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”*

Wow, those are power packed verses! But let's pick out just one phrase – the beginning of verse 2: ***“Let us fix our eyes on Jesus”***.

That is how we stay captivated – keeping our eyes on Jesus. We all know there are many voices in our lives clamoring for our attention and focus. Many of the voices are important and deserve our attention: our families, our churches, our jobs, our goals... But if we are to give each of these and other important matters in our lives the attention they need and

deserve, we must first and foremost keep our eyes on Jesus.

Keeping our eyes on Jesus, his love, his grace, his holiness, his faithfulness, his mercy, his power, his greatness, his kindness, his sovereignty, his wisdom... (the list could go on forever) enables us to see everything else more clearly. Being captivated by who He is and what he has and will accomplish keeps us running the race he has marked out for us.

Be careful of those things that capture your attention and slow you down and trip you up. Keep your eyes on Jesus not the things of this world. When you hear those other voices and you are tempted to focus on them, look at Jesus. Jesus was able to endure the cross because of the joy that was before him (vs. 2). He knew he would be sitting at the right hand of God the Father, the work of salvation complete.



When other things start to determine your focus, money, politics, school, work, relationships, health, tragedy, even success and good fortune, **fix your eyes on Jesus**. Keeping our eyes on Jesus keeps everything else in proper perspective.

As you race through 2010 and into 2011, keep your eyes on Jesus. Allow your heart and mind to be captivated by who he is, fully aware of his presence, and running with great joy.

*Sue Jenker*



# Summer 2011

But blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD...  
 He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its  
 roots by the stream.. Jeremiah 17:7-8

## Dates:

<b>Primary Overnight</b> (grades 2-3)	<b>June 10-11</b>
<b>Junior 1</b> (grades 4-6)	<b>June 13-18</b>
<b>Jr. High 1</b> (grades 7-9)	<b>June 20-25</b>
<b>Junior 2</b> (grades 4-6)	<b>June 27-July 2</b>
<b>Day Camp</b> (grades K-6)	<b>July 4-8</b>
<b>Sr. High</b> (grades 10-12)	<b>July 11-16</b>
<b>Jr. High 2</b> (grades 7-9)	<b>July 18-23</b>
<b>Junior 3</b> (grades 3-5)	<b>July 25-29</b>

## Fees:

<b>Primary Overnight</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Day Camp</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>Residential Camps</b>	<b>\$235.00</b>

## Store:

<b>Snacks</b>	<b>\$10-\$15</b>
<b>T-Shirts</b>	<b>\$12</b>
<b>Hoodies</b>	<b>\$22</b>
<b>Picture</b>	<b>\$ 5</b>
<b>Memory DVD</b>	<b>\$ 5</b>



**Registrations being mailed soon!**



## Coming Soon...

### Online Registrations and Online Donations

Simply go to [www.bearlakecamp.com](http://www.bearlakecamp.com) and click on the Registration or Donation button.

You will have the options of paying by Credit Card, e-Check, or mailing a check after you have registered. The Credit Card and e-Check options will have a small convenience fee attached to them.

If you are receiving a scholarship through your church or the camp, that's ok – it can all be handled online.

Don't want to register online? That's okay, paper registrations will still be accepted.

We hope this will make the registration process easier and quicker for our camp families.



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**Easy to register and get started:**

Go to [www.bearlakecamp.com](http://www.bearlakecamp.com) and click on the *iGive* button on our home page.

**OR**

Go to *iGive.com*, select Bear Lake Camp as your favorite cause, register and start shopping.





## **Now Hiring 2011 BLC Summer Staff**

We have kicked off our recruiting season and are praying for and looking for our 2011 Summer Staff. If you love kids, want to help them grow in their understanding of Christ, love the outdoors, and are available during the months of June and July go to our website: [www.bearlakecamp.com](http://www.bearlakecamp.com). Check out your opportunities and download an application.

We are looking for:

Cabin Counselors

Cooks

Craft Help

Lifeguards

Recreation Leader

Tech Help

## **Be Part of Something Bigger....**

### **Counselor Quotes:**

*BLC is a great place with people who really care about investing in the campers and want to help them grow in a relationship with God...Nichele*

*There is an indescribable joy you feel as you watch camper's lives transform before your eyes...Leah*



## BLC Christmas Wish List...



- Camper Needs:** Sleeping bags, Pillows,  
Toiletries, Sheets
- Program Needs:** Tug-o-War ropes, Bull Horn,  
Inter-tubes, Sleds
- Technology Needs:** CD/DVD Duplicator,  
New Computer, Digital Camera
- Facilities/Grounds Needs:** Shovels, Rakes,  
Sweepers, Railroad ties, Snow shovels,  
Trees for landscaping  
Old Pick-up Truck

If you can help with one or more of these wishes,  
please contact Monty at 260-799-5988 or  
monty@bearlakecamp.com.



### Ways you can help us stay on target...

**Pray:** first and foremost

**Give:** cheerfully

**200/10:** Give \$10.00/month  
to BLC

**Embrace the Vision:** Financial gifts to the building  
project and future of BLC

**Scholarship Fund:** Financial assistance for kids who  
want to attend camp.

**Camp Improvement Fund:** Upkeep and needed  
improvements to facilities.

**Operations:** Helping us meet the basic, day to day  
necessities of BLC.

*BLC is a 501(c)3 non-profits organization  
and all donations are tax-deductible.*

## Ministry Activity Center Update



Progress is happening! It seems slow, but progress is happening! At this point it looks like construction will not begin until spring, but the goal is to have the building erected and, at least, partially useable by camp 2011.

We ask for your continued prayers as final decisions and plans are made.

Thank you for your continued support and interest in the "MAC". Thank you for financial gifts that have reached over \$160,000.00.



### ***Please join us in praying for:***

- ❖ *God's continued guidance and blessings*
- ❖ *Progress on the construction of the Ministry Activity Center*
- ❖ *Increased financial support for BLC*
- ❖ *Summer program and campers who will be coming*
- ❖ *Retreat & Community Ministries*
- ❖ *Clear vision and wisdom for BLC staff*

### ***and in thanking God for:***

- ❖ *His faithfulness to BLC*
- ❖ *Faithful friends and supporters of BLC*
- ❖ *The many lives changed in over 60 years of ministry*
- ❖ *His continual provision*



## **VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS**

There are always things to be done here at the camp. It seems that just when our to do list starts to shrink more projects come along.

Things we are needing help with include:

- New roof on Cabin 2
- Planting new trees
- Painting, staining, cleaning
- Rebuilding our haywagon
- Hauling junk
- Building new piers
- After the new Ministry Activity Center is framed we'll need even more help to get it finished!

Work projects are a great way to help out the camp while building deeper relationships in your group. If your small group or church would be willing to come to the camp for a day or a weekend, we will put you to work! Skills are beneficial but not required. Contact the camp office (260-799-5988) to find out how you can glorify God by sharing your time, energy, and talents.



We'll even be happy to feed you!



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