

December 2019

BEAR TRACKS



Grace and Peace to You from God our Father and the Lord, Jesus Christ,

It is often easy to think that camp experiences are simply one more way to add some fond memories and friendships to our formative years. It's a good, fun thing, but it's not all that significant to the rest of life. And, while it is our hope that memories are made and fun is had, Bear Lake Camp is striving to be so much more.

Our mission is to "challenge individuals to know and mature in Christ." So how do we know if we are living up to our goals of evangelism and discipleship? Are these things happening at BLC? This summer, our Sr. High campers completed a survey to help the camp board and staff get a picture of who our campers are, how they think about the world, and how camp has impacted their lives. The following quotes are taken from those surveys and have been powerful reminders as to why camp (and all discipleship ministries) are so important in raising up the next generation of Jesus followers.

"I am so thankful to be able to call this place home. Thank you for your prayers and guidance throughout the past years."

"Coming to camp my 1st summer helped me deepen my faith and coming back each summer keeps me rooted."

"I love this place and the staff really make me realize how much I need God in my life and how much I need to make Him the center of my life."

God is using Christian Camping in making disciples and we are overwhelmed with gratitude that He has chosen to work through Bear Lake Camp to make His Name known to so many campers through the years!

As we strive to make this experience accessible to as many students as possible, Bear Lake Camp chooses to keep its camp fees at as low of a rate as possible. This means that we are dependent on your partnership because about 25% of Bear Lake Camp's operations budget comes from donations. To those who have given- whether \$10, \$1000, or volunteering- know that your generosity makes it possible for young people to hear the Good News! To those who have not- would you consider partnering with the ministry of Bear Lake Camp as we seek to reach as many as possible with the Good News of Jesus?

To Know Christ,

Monty Harlan

Executive Director



"This summer truly showed me what it means to walk in reliance on God – to walk in step with Him every minute of a day. I am by no means perfect in this, but it was truly wonderful to experience by His grace. His power was made perfect in my weakness, and in that I rejoice. One moment that sticks out to me this summer was in a conversation with one of the Junior campers. He wanted to understand what he was doing. I truly saw the light of Christ change him and experience the joy that he held because of the simplicity of understanding salvation."

~Mitchell (Counselor, '19)

2020 SUMMER CAMP DATES

Primary (Grades 2-3) \$90

Price includes camp t-shirt

June 5-6

Junior-- \$320 (\$360 after 4/18)

Price includes camp t-shirt

Junior 1 - June 14-19 — 4th-6th

Junior 2 — July 5-10 — 3rd-6th

Junior 3 — July 19-23 — 3rd-5th

Jr. High-- \$320 (\$360 after 4/18)

Price includes camp t-shirt

Jr. High 1 — June 7-12 — 7th-9th

Jr. High 2 — June 21-26 — 7th-9th

Jr. High 3 — July 12-17 — 7th-9th

Sr. High-- \$320 (\$360 after 4/18)

Price includes camp t-shirt

Sr. High — Jn 28-Ju 3 -- 10th-Grad

Share the Love Discount: \$50 off your week of camp for every first time camper you attends BLC because of your invitation.



Love THE LORD YOUR GOD with **ALL** your *heart*,
with **ALL** your *soul*, with **ALL** your *mind*, and
with **ALL** your *strength*. The second is,
Love YOUR NEIGHBOR as yourself. **THERE IS NO
OTHER COMMAND GREATER THAN
THESE.**

REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 1ST, 2020

bearlakecamp.com/registration

We're Hiring
Summer Staff!

- Learn to facilitate a Bible Study-
- Cultivate lasting friendships-
- Develop leadership skills-
- Grow in your walk with God-
- Hands-on ministry experience-

Apply online:

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Defrost

SR. HIGH RETREAT

JANUARY 3-5, 2020



RECHARGE

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

JAN 31 - FEB 1, 2020



breathe.

MARCH 6-7, 2020



WOMEN'S
RETREAT

Register online or print out a paper form at www.bearlakecamp.com

Register for Defrost by December 13 or for Recharge by January 17 and receive Early Bird pricing. Plus, bring a friend who has never been to BLC & receive a \$10 discount.



MAY 29-31, 2020
AT BEAR LAKE CAMP

A RETREAT FOR
18-28 YEAR OLDS



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 at BLC. Come on your own or with a group. Various projects from landscaping, the new chapel, 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.



HOODIES & BLC GEAR

We have a new shipment of hoodies in heather wine color (pictured).

\$35 each (includes shipping) or \$25 if picked up at camp

We also have crewneck sweatshirts in gray and blue (\$30 shipped) and t-shirts (\$15 shipped) in various colors and designs available.

If you are interested in purchasing one of these please call the camp office (260)799-5988 or email jennifer@bearlakecamp.com.

These make great Christmas presents!





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