

2016 Elementary Camp Fact Sheet

Who can go to Elementary Camp?

Students going into grades 4th through 6th (2016-17 school year)

Date:

Sunday, June 19th – Friday, June 24th

Camps check in is at 5:00 PM

Check out at 4:30 PM

Place:

The Ark (formerly Rainbow Christian Camp) in Converse, IN

Cost:

\$300.00 per student

Apply on-line– Go to www.refreshcamp.com to sign up your student
A \$50 deposit will secure your child's place at camp.

Preparing Financially:

We realize there are families that may not be able to cover the whole cost to send all their children to camp. Financial assistance is available for families in those unique circumstances. *It is the expectation of Crossroads that families asking for assistance participate in fundraisers and other means of raising support for camp.* By starting today, families can save, work, and fundraise much of their camp expenses.

Start saving and fundraising now to cover the cost of camp. We work hard to keep the cost of camp low, but we realize it is a big commitment for many families. Here are a few ways to help cover the cost of camp.

- Payment Plans – It is possible to set up a payment plan for camp breaking the cost into smaller weekly or monthly payments.
- Gift Card Fundraiser- This on-going fundraiser is a great way to gradually build up money for camp at no cost to you. Gift Cards for popular stores, restaurants, and gas stations are able to be purchased for face value with a percentage going towards your child's camp costs. Pick up an order form at the Resource Center in the atrium or contact Bethany Taylor (mstaylor1957@gmail.com) for more information on this fundraiser.
- Cardboard Boat Race – This is a fun way to raise money for camp scholarships. Each family builds a cardboard boat and asks for sponsors to support them as they race! Be looking for information on this event around early June.
- Individual Family Fundraisers – There are a variety of creative ways families can raise money for camp. Check out www.gofundme.com as a way to harness social media to help raise support. Get your students involved in the process: baby sit, shovel snow, mow yards, etc. A little bit of hard work and planning ahead will go a long way.

Why the change from Epworth to The Ark?

It will allow growth for all (Middle School, High School, and Elementary) camps. The Ark is more Elementary friendly with age appropriate activities.

Tell me more about The Ark and what it has to offer:

The Ark has 50 wooded acres that offer great facilities. They have a conference center that has a large Gym/Multi-Purpose room, beautiful lobby with fireplace, meeting rooms, and dormitory space adjacent to modern restrooms. A full-service kitchen and staff can prepare and serve meals.

Lakeside Cabins house 16 people and have electricity, bunk beds, restrooms and showers.

Activities:

The Ark offers targeted recreation activities that are similar to our past camp, but some are new. They include: Basketball, cable swing, campfires, canoeing/kayaking, fishing, indoor high ropes course, kickball, nine square in the air, mudslide, gaga ball, paintball, sand volleyball, soccer fields, swimming pool, wagon rides, wet zip line, outdoor climbing wall

Unique to The Ark Camp:

The Ark has a Missionary on site during the whole week of camp. The missionary will be speaking/teaching to the students each day during a break out time allowing our campers to develop a relationship with a missionary family. The campers will have an opportunity to support the missionary in order to help with a specific cause.

This year The Ark's missionary is Craig and Lindsay Beatty from Puerto Rico. They've been serving in Puerto Rico since 2008. In Puerto Rico, Craig teaches Bible classes to 8th – 12th grade at Puerto Rico Christian School and serves in various ways at Toa Baja Christian Church. Lindsay taught 3rd grade at PRCS until the birth of their second child and she is now a stay at home mom. She also spends time mentoring young ladies from the School and Church. The money raised this summer will go toward buying a new Church building for a growing Toa Baja Christian Church and also to the general mission account.

Additional Questions:

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