

Shenandoah District Youth

The Wesleyan Church

3645 Orange Avenue, NE
Roanoke, VA 24012

April 22, 2009

Youth Leaders / Parents:

We are doing our best this year to help you plan ahead for camp - financially, spiritually and physically. That is why you are receiving this information so early in the game. I want you to be as informed as you can possibly be so that we are all building anticipation for what, I believe, is going to be our most exciting and largest youth camp ever! In 2008, we had 120 students register and 85 the year before. This year we are striving to reach 160 students to register for camp and would love to have many more!

Parents, we are doing our best once again to ensure a safe and action-packed week for your students. Therefore, we are taking steps to increase the number of adult counselors, we are running background checks on volunteers working directly with the students, we will have a certified nurse on campus 24/7, and we will have a certified lifeguard at the pool at all times. Not only does this help create a safe environment but it also puts more role models in front of your students, so that not only are they hearing Jesus taught but they are also seeing Him lived out!

The camp does not provide towels, linens or bedding, so be sure to bring a pillow, sleeping bag/sheets, or whatever you need to sleep in or on. Please do not bring i-pods/mp3 players, handheld gaming systems or laptops. These items tend to be easy to lose at camp and can be somewhat of a distraction from the "camp experience." Cell phones are permitted, but if found being used excessively or during service/activity times they will be confiscated for the remainder of the camp. Be sure to pack comfortable and appropriate clothing- there will be lots of outdoor activities (even some messy ones). If a leader finds your shorts to be too short, your shirt to be too low or your bathing suit too revealing, you will be privately asked to change. Please see the other side of this letter for additional camp rules.

Camp registration will begin Monday July 6th at 12:30 p.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. in the Shelton Building (off to the right from the main parking lot). Please remember to bring a check for the remainder of your bill. (Total cost \$195- \$100 deposit, \$95 to be paid upon arrival.) Only the group leader and any students with medicines will be allowed into the registration line to prevent bottleneaking. Camp will end on Friday, July 10th at 1:00 p.m. Please be prompt in picking up your students.

We are going to have an amazing week at camp this year with speaker Matt Leroy. Paul and Heather Haithcock and band will be leading incredibly energetic worship. And, we will be hosting an awesome concert by Philmont! Check them out on Myspace. Who knows what little surprises will pop up throughout the week! Get ready - be there! See you then!

District Youth President

Paul Haithcock

Camp Address- 3592 Youth Camp Road, Sophia, NC 27350; 336-861-3131

Camp Rules:

- **Schedule** - The camp schedule issued by the camp staff must be followed by all campers. Campers should be prompt and punctual to all events.
 - * **Tobacco Drugs & Alcohol** - No form of tobacco, illegal drugs or alcohol are to be used or kept on camp property.
 - * **Firearms** - No firearms or fireworks are permitted on the campgrounds.
 - **Cleanliness** - Cleanliness and respect for camp grounds/personal property are expected.
 - **Sickness** - Sickness and accidents must be reported to the nurse immediately.
 - * **Not To Leave Campgrounds** - Campers are not to leave the campgrounds without the permission of the Camp Director.
 - **Swimming** - Campers are not to go swimming unless a lifeguard is present.
 - **Attitude** - A Christ-like attitude should be evident at all times. Avoid foul language.
 - **Dress** - Modest and decent dress is expected at all times.
 - **Gender boundaries**
 - * Girls cabins are off limits to boys.
 - * Guys cabins are off limits to girls
 - No PDA
 - **Off Limits** - The following areas are off limits to campers unless authorized to enter or permitted by the camp schedule: kitchen, swimming area, lake area, or buildings not in use as a part of the schedule.
 - **Cooperation** - Everyone is expected to fully cooperate with the Camp staff. The Director reserves the right to send home anyone who willfully disobeys.
- * **Result in immediate camp suspension.**