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Dear Friends,

With Summer 2019 quickly approaching, we are thrilled to see how God continues to move in this sacred place. We hope that this information packet will not only help you promote the life-changing programs at Camp Lake Stephens, but that a stronger relationship will be made between our respective ministries. We are excited about the opportunity to be your outdoor ministry partner!

Registration is now open, and we are excited that some of the programs are filling up fast. We have a few changes to highlight for 2019, so please read carefully.

We have replaced the early-bird registration deadline and have instituted a three-tier payment schedule for each program. The parent/guardian will have the choice to sign up for whatever tier works best for their financial situation. WE WILL CONTINUE to offer scholarships as needed as NO CHILD is left behind for financial reasons.

- TIER 1 = Approximately 80% of the actual cost for a camper to attend
- TIER 2 = Approximately 90% of the actual cost for a camper to attend
- TIER 3 = Approximately 100% of the actual cost for a camper to attend

For those that receive scholarships, we ask that they sign up for TIER 1.

We have some new programs for the upcoming summer that include: Sailing, Sea Kayaking, and the Bridge Retreat, which will connect incoming high school seniors and college freshmen with Wesley Foundations throughout the MS Conference. Of course, we still have a wide range of traditional activities for all ages.

Below are 10 easy steps to help spread the word about our summer camp opportunities:

1. Make sure this packet of information gets to someone who loves Camp Lake Stephens and will pass it along to the youth and children of your church.
2. Make sure whoever manages the church's Facebook page 'likes' Camp Lake Stephens so they will have easy access to shareable camp updates.
3. Host a Camp Sign-Up Day—either on Sunday or during youth group times.
4. Watch our Facebook Page for stories/updates to include in your newsletter or weekly Bulletin.
5. Ask someone to host a 'Camp Lake Stephens' night for friends and neighbors.
6. Give the office a call to talk about how easy and beneficial it is to have a representative of Camp Lake Stephens come and answer questions about camp for parents and campers.

*Committed to being a place where children, youth, and adults can encounter God
and respond in faith to God's call to transform the world.*

7. Encourage college or older high school students in your church to apply for a summer staff position. More information can be found at www.camlakestephens.com/summer-staff/.
8. Consider volunteering! Options might include Camp Rainbow counselor, Chaplain-in-Residence, Grounds/Property Assistant, and more.
9. Please feel free to contact the the office (662-235-3350) with any questions, and while you are on the phone, invite a Camp Lake Stephens staff member to visit.
10. Need more materials? We will be happy to mail you more!

Thank you for making Camp Lake Stephens part of your church family's summer experience! It is both an honor and a privilege for us to provide life-changing opportunities for all who participate in our programs.

In Christ,

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