

Dear Children's Pastor/Leader,

Excitement is building as we are in the preparations for camp this year! I know that God will do a mighty work in the hearts and lives of boys and girls this year!

This year's location:

We are honored to make Victory Mountain Camp in Sophia, NC (near Asheboro, NC) our camp home! You can see some amazing pictures by going to www.victorymountaincamp.com The physical address is: 3594 Youth Camp Road, Sophia, NC 27350.

Ministry focus:

We've been touring with our Musical, **From Burgers to the Big Top!**Get ready for an amazing adventure! This year's musical mirrors the popular movie "The Greatest Showman." The play is centered around a man named Mo, the misunderstood nobody with a big dream. It seems His dream is put on hold as he finds himself working at a burger joint, but deep inside he knows he is called to something greater. Our adventure begins with Mo finding purpose in fulfilling his big dream to be a ringmaster! That's the theme of our week...Finding the purpose that God has placed in each of us. We will also be exploring how following God's plan for our life is the "greatest show" we can be a part of!

Here are some items that will help you in preparation for this year's camp:

All forms are downloadable and attached to this email - Make sure you have the following forms for promoting and registering your group.

- Camp Brochure (easy to print and hand out to kids)
- Letter of Introduction (this is what you're reading now!)
- Camper Application (filled out entirely online this year).
- Counselor Application (filled out entirely online this year).
- Counselor Recommendation Letters (can be found on the bottom of the camp page on our website)

We are doing camp t-shirts!

Be sure to have your kids list their t-shirt size on the application! When the group registers, the leader will be given their t-shirts. On the last day of camp there will be time to sign each other's shirt as a way to remember their friends!

Grade of camper:

The kids are enrolled by grade instead of age. Kids who are a rising third grader through a rising 6th grader can come to camp. We do make some exceptions for rising 7th graders but that's up to the discretion of the church leader. Remember, you're responsible for them.

Cost for the camper:

The total cost is \$255.00 per child. However, if you register and pay-in-full by May 31st, the cost is just \$235.00. A non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 guarantees a spot until we reach capacity. All outstanding balances are due by June 20. There are no refunds but funds are transferable.

Jr. Counselors:

Students who are rising 9th – 12th graders and serving in children's ministry are eligible to attend and work at kids camp. Their cost is the same as a regular camper. There is a separate application for them and they MUST have a Pastor's signature and recommendation. They will assist a Sr. Counselor in the care of children; however, they will never be alone with children; they will be under the constant oversight of a Sr. Counselor. A church is allowed to have 1 junior counselor for every senior counselor.

Sr. Counselors and camper ratios:

Adults 18 and over are eligible to serve as a Sr. Counselor, provided they have filled out an application, attached reference letters and have consented to a background check. Once all of this is approved (June 21 deadline), he/she can be a Sr. Counselor. Their cost is \$170.00. Every church sending kids must send 1 Sr. Counselor for every 8 kids of the same gender. If you have more counselors than the ratio, they pay the full price. (\$235.00). Jr. Counselor also fit in the 1:8 ratio. For example, you might have 7 kids and 1 Jr. Counselor. That would be your 1:8 ratio. If you have difficulty meeting the counselor requirement, we may be able to group your kids with another church that is sending more counselors than they actually need. However, we would then ask that you pay for that counselor to care for your kids.

Missions and Concession stand:

We will have a concession stand that's open a couple times a day. The profits from each item will go to form a missions project. Along with the concessions, we will take up a special offering on Friday morning to supplement the profits from the concessions. So, be sure to tell the kids to pray and then bring extra

money for that trip! Maybe your kids church could set a goal and then turn that in during the offering.

Arrival Time and Counselor meeting:

Camp registration goes from 2pm – 4 pm on Monday, July 1. We ask that everyone have their kids registered by 4:00pm because we'll have a counselor meeting from 5:00-5:45pm in the cafeteria.

During that time, your kids will be well supervised by our youth and adult ministry team.

Camp Begins on Monday, July 1. Arrival times are between 2-4pm CAMP ENDS
ON FRIDAY JULY 5 at 11:00

Make sure you send in the following items at the same time:

All three junior/senior counselor reference letters (in a sealed envelope) and Deposit/ Payment. If sending a check, please submit one church check with payment for the <u>entire group</u>. <u>Do not send individual camper's checks</u>.

MAKE CHECKS TO: Multiply Church Put "Kids Camp" in the memo field.

ALL PAPERWORK AND FINAL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 21!

Mail to: KidzAblaze Ministries 280 Concord Parkway S. Suite 85 Concord, NC 28027

We are looking forward to an amazing week!

Sincerely,

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