

# FIRE CAMP

A SUMMER MINISTRY CAMP FOR KIDS

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](http://www.victorymountaincamp.com) . The physical address is: 3594 Youth Camp Road, Sophia, NC 27350.

### **Ministry focus:**

We've been touring with our Musical, ***The Night of the Living Gorilla!***

Get ready for an amazing adventure! This year's musical mirrors the popular movie "Night at the Museum." The play is set in a school and centers around Madilyn, the misunderstood student who always seems to end up in the wrong place at the wrong time. However, her curiosity leads her to discover a set of statues in the janitor's closet. Through a series of events, they come alive and the adventure begins! That's the theme of our camp...coming alive to the promises of God that resides in each of us!

### **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
- Jr and Sr. Counselor Application

**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 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 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 \$245.00 per child. However, if you register and pay-in-full by May 31<sup>st</sup>, the cost is just \$225.00. 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 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 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 (May 31 deadline), he/she can be a Sr. Counselor. Their cost is \$140.00. **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 (\$225.00). 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 3. 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 3. Arrival times are between 2-4pm**  
**CAMP ENDS ON FRIDAY JULY 7 at 11:00am**

**Make sure you send in the following items at the same time:**  
**Camper applications, junior/senior counselor applications**  
**(with reference letters in a sealed envelope) and Deposit/Payment.**  
**Include one church check with the entire group –**  
**MAKE CHECKS TO: KidzAblaze Ministries**  
**Do not send individual camper's checks.**

**ALL PAPERWORK AND FINAL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 20!!**

**Mail to:**  
**KidzAblaze Ministries**  
**1255 W. Ridge Road**  
**Salisbury, NC 28147**

I look forward to an AMAZING WEEK!!!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randy R. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

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