

Church Camp Transforms Lives!

Summer camping at Tall Oaks will bless the children and youth of your congregation beyond measure. Help our young people grow in their faith and see that Peace Works by sending them to Tall Oaks!

Time to start thinking about camp! The Camp & Conference committee is still recruiting directors from our Region for each of our camps. Plans are in motion for the summer of fun ahead.

Please read the following materials, check out our website (talloaks.org) for other helpful materials, and start encouraging your youth and grandparents to attend camp at Tall Oaks this summer.

- Early bird registrations (in by **April 1st, 2019**) reduce the regular rate by \$25! Please register early!
- Postcards will be sent to previous campers in February.
- Online registration will open **February 1st. Note the earlier dates!** Paper forms are still available, but **Online Registration is highly encouraged.**
- This year we will try something new by charging a late fee of \$25 (on top of the **full price** registration fee) if campers register less than one month out from the start date of their desired camp. Please register early! It helps us anticipate costs and staff.

Our online system is in progress now, as we are still working out the finer details of what program we will be using. That will go live by February 1st, so check back on talloaks.org and kcdisciples.org then.

We have included the following in this packet:

- 1) **Poster**—please make copies and post in several locations in your church
- 2) Summer camp **timeline** for promotion and registration
- 3) **Scholarship application** for any campers who might need a camp scholarship
- 4) **Camp Record/Financial Worksheet.** When the congregation sends in registrations or payments this or a similar worksheet should be used so that we know who to apply payments to and how much per person.

Besides campers, we need people eager to serve Christ and others by being a volunteer counselor at camps. If you have qualified adults, have them contact Tall Oaks or a member of the Camp & Conference Committee. We are also asking this year for congregations, if they are able, to contribute a little bit to cover meal costs for their adults who are coming as counselors.

We are planning fundraising for our DOC camps, but we want to make everyone aware that the fees we charge for camp don't fully cover the costs of Tall Oaks and personnel. We are looking for ways to help fix that deficit, while keeping camp affordable. If you have a gift for fundraising, we'd love to hear from you. We also appreciate any financial gifts your congregation may be able to contribute for the DOC camping program.

Please hand this camp envelope to the person in your congregation who is responsible for camp registrations. If you have questions, call or email the co-chairs of the Camp & Conference Committee: Rev. Lara Blackwood Pickrel (816-532-0773, lara@smithvillefcc.org) or Rev. Kassie Smith McKee (816-452-2829, kassie@fairviewcc.org).

Thanks for your assistance,
Greater KC Region Camp & Conference Committee