

Date: July 20-24th, 2015

Location: Camp Magruder in Rockaway Beach, OR

Theme: God our AUTHOR

**Camp Verse:** <u>Colossians 1:16-17</u> "For by him all things were created in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created BY him and FOR him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together."

Dear JH Families,

I am so excited that your student is going to be joining us in what God is going to do through our summer camp on the week of July 20-24<sup>th</sup>! There has been a lot of prayer & wisdom put into this camp over making it a time where encounter the living God to the fullest, and from camp move forward in his power & love as they walk with Jesus through the next year ahead.

This year's vision for camp has been centered around the truth that God is our author & creator. God's ability to create things out of nothing and to breathe life into what is dead is a foreign concept to our students, because we can't create things on our own strength, only inherit & reshape what already exists. God not only created the beautiful world around us, which is truly on display at our camp, but the Lord also is the author of new things inside of each of us. In Jesus, we are spiritually born and our spirit is brought to life. He is the author of a new heart in us, and a new love that they weren't born with. To understand that God is our author & creator puts into perspective the amazing love He truly has for us, for long before we ever physically existed on this earth, God as our Father, was planning and purposing a life in loving relationship with us. The moment when our sin broke that relationship, God saved it by sacrificing his only begotten son so that we could enter into the loving relationship He intended for us long before we physically existed. He loved us long before we even knew his name, how much more will he give to our students when we call upon His Name.

Our camp will be located at Camp Magruder in Rockaway Beach, OR. It is about 15 miles north of Tillamook and a 2-hour bus drive. The camp is located in between a remote beach and a lake, with a natural landscape on the other side of the lake. In a world where campgrounds are defined by their attractions, multi-purpose gyms, etc, Camp Magruder is defined by its remote location and its incredible scenery. You can't help but reflect on God's creation when you're surrounded by it the way you are at this campsite.

Caleb Esborg will be joining us as our camp speaker for the week! He is currently the Youth Pastor at East Bay Foursquare in California, and as most people around Beaverton know, the oldest son of Grant Esborg. He equally shares in our excitement for the week ahead and what God is going to do in our student's hearts.

As we head into the summer, the greatest thing we can do for the camp is prayer over what God is going to do and prayer over everyone who is going, whether students or leaders to serve! As great as the campsite and leaders going are, the only thing we really want to make sure is that Jesus is going to show up and meet students where they are at! We would also encourage you to pray for students to prepare their heart to be met by God, as we want the soil to be ready for the seed God wants to sow! Luke 8:4-15 is an excellent Scripture to read & reflect on while praying for our students. Once again, we are very excited that your student is joining us for the week ahead, and am excited to see what God is going to do.

Take care & God bless, Jeff Cero, Camp Director

## Jr High Camp Preparation:

Below you will find useful information to help prepare you and your student for camp. If we do not answer all of your questions here, please feel free to contact us at any time.

# Camp Location:

Camp Magruder 17450 Old Pacific Hwy, Rockaway Beach, OR 97136 (503)355-2310

We do ask that you accompany your student through the on-site registration process the day of departure due to the amount of information required.

## PACKING LIST:

#### DO Bring:

- Sleeping Bag & Pillow
- Bible & Pen (Journal's Provided)
- Toiletries & Towel
- Sunscreen
- Water Clothes (bring dark shirts/tanks to be worn over 2-piece bathing suits at all times)
- Flashlight
- Active shoes
- Water Bottle w/name clearly labeled
- Bug repellent

#### Do NOT Bring:

- GUM
- Cigarettes, chewing tobacco, etc.
- Lighters or matches
- Illegal drugs or alcohol
- Fireworks
- Firearms or knives
- Pets
- Magazines, other inappropriate reading materials
- Electronics or Media Players of any kind
  - o (MP3 players, Portable Game systems, DVD players, etc)
- Cell phones or cameras (we will have photographer and post photos)
- Skimpy or immodest clothing

## SPENDING MONEY:

We recommend that you bring a modest amount of spending money (\$10-\$30), should you choose to purchase snacks, arts & crafts options or other items from the camp store.

# **VISITOR POLICY:**

All of our camps have a No Visitor policy to ensure the safety of our campers, and to provide them with a week undistracted by "life away from camp." All requests to visit must be made *in advance* to the JH Camp Director, Jeff Cero, by calling (503) 644-9104

# WELLNESS POLICY:

All campers should be free of the following symptoms 24 hours prior to camp for participation. Those who arrive with any of these symptoms will be sent home:

- Fever of 100 degrees or more
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Contagious Skin Infection
- Lice \*\*

\*Should your camper become ill at camp or be injured in such a way as to require home care, parents will be notified and are expected to come and pick up their child.

\*\*Please check your son/daughter for lice prior to camp and treat as needed. Should our nurse discover lice on your student's head after arrival at camp, the camper must go home for treatment.

## **MEDICATIONS:**

\*\*\*All campers must turn in both non-prescription and prescription medications to the Camp Nurse upon arrival. Please help us safely care for your camper by using the following guidelines for medications:

- Place medication in a zip-lock bag with the campers name clearly printed on the outside and shut.
- Must be in **original containers** whether prescription or over-the-counter and must not have an expired date.
- Dosage given on prescription label will be given unless changed in writing by the physician.
- Over-the-counter medications are available at camp, but in limited "brands."
- If you want your camper to have a specific brand (i.e. Tylenol, Advil, Triaminic etc.), you must send it with him/her in its **original** container.

## CAMP MAIL:

"Camper's Name" C/O Beaverton Foursquare Summer Camps Camp Magruder 17450 Old Pacific Hwy, Rockaway Beach, OR 97136

## \*Packages Sent via UPS or FedEx should be addressed to the above

- <u>Care Packages</u>: please ensure these packages do not contain an abundance of sugary treats as their cabin leaders will appreciate this act of self-control on your part ;-)
- \*Be sure to send any mail or packages by Saturday morning the week of camp as it will most likely not get there in time.

# EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER.....

#### CAMP CODE (rules)

\*please go over these with your student(s)

#### 1. Be respectful

- a. No fighting, hazing, or foul language
- b. No pranks or pillow fights

c. No "raiding" of any kind (i.e. messing with other people, their cabin and their belongings)

- d. No stealing
- e. If you break something you bought something
  - 1. All damages to camp property must be paid for prior to leaving camp
  - 2. Our camp imposes a \$500 fine for graffiti
- f. Clean up after yourself (cabins, bathrooms, and in general at camp)

#### 2. Be where you are supposed to be when you are supposed to be there

- a. All meals, meetings, and activities are mandatory
- b. Campers must stay in the camp boundaries at all times
- c. No guys in or around the girls' cabins no girls in or around the guys' cabins

## 3. Be Legal

- a. All articles informed on this flier NOT to bring to camp (see below)
- b. If discovered must be turned in to our Camp Staff
- c. What is not legal at our camp (Camp Law)
  - 1. No body piercing

2. No hair cutting or dying (unless as part of an optional adult supervised workshop)

3. No Immodest clothing (no extreme short shorts, short skirts, or short shirts, tight or revealing clothing, clothing imprinted with vulgar or secular slogans, or exposed undergarments)

## 4. Be PDA (Public Display of Affection) Free

a. You should know what this means

b. Don't fall in love at camp

## TRAVEL SCHEDULE:

\*Please make sure your camper has eaten breakfast upon arrival at the church. Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Registration Begins at Beaverton Foursquare Church (*be prepared to accompany your camper to the Registrar Station before you leave the church campus*)

11:00 am Buses Leave for Camp

Friday, July 24th

12:30 pm Buses arrive at B4 Church

#### WATER BAPTISM:

We will *not* be offering water baptisms during camp this year. Instead, there will be a date set and announced at camp so parents can attend as well. It will most likely be the Thursday of the week following camp!

Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact our Camp Office coordinator Donna Self : campoffice@b4church.org

# \*Please completely fill-out and sign the Dean Form and bring with you to the Dean's table the day of departure.