



Village Bible Church

2017 SUMMER FAMILY CAMP



JUNE 3 - 9





OPENINGS FILL VERY FAST. REGISTER SOON FOR BEST OPTIONS.

Winter is a great time to plan for summer - *actually, it's the only time if you want to attend Family Camp because the cabins are usually all booked by mid-February!*

God centered family time. Water Skiing & Tubing. Zip Line. Fishing. Playing at the beach. Sailboarding. Swimming. Kayaking. Horseback Riding. Archery. Riflery. Crafts. Campfires. White Water Rafting. Hay Rides. Read a book on the beach. Canoeing. Baseball. Mini-Golf. Climbing walls. Coffee Shop. Dessert Barge. Boats. Logger's Breakfast. Islanders' Breakfast. Lumber Baron's Breakfast. Buckboard Breakfast. Family Events and Games. Snack Shop...

Sounds like a great time, doesn't it?

These are some of the things that families can do all week long (and for no additional charge!) at Family Camp next summer at Silver Birch Ranch Camp in the Northwoods of Wisconsin.



We would love to have your family join us for a great time of fun together.

What does a typical day at family camp look like?

- A typical day starts out with breakfast (at the dining hall, on a pontoon boat, in the woods, on an island...).
- After breakfast the children head off to a VBS type of class (stories, crafts, games) while the adults and teens head off to chapel.
- After chapel, the adults and teens have some time to do something on their own (ride horses, canoe, water ski, etc.) and then join back with the children.
- Lunch follows and then afternoon family activities – you can participate in any of the activities listed above. All are available at no extra charge and all are done with excellence. You'll also have plenty opportunity to do the things that you want to do most.
- After your time of fun in the sun, you'll have worked up a hearty appetite. Thankfully the meals are great, including a big salad bar.
- Once it's time for the kids to go to bed, there are college students available who will hold down the cabin while the parents head out for a late night rendezvous – maybe a canoe across a moon-lit lake, games with friends at the dining hall, a walk along the lake...
- Then sleep fast or sleep long – you decide. You can do as much as you want or as little as you want. Someone is cooking for you, doing your dishes, providing fun activities. Play hard one day and then take it easy the next... You decide.
- Evenings are filled with family games, campfires and wild hayrides.





NEXT STEPS:

1. The easiest thing to do is call or email our resident family camp expert, Kate Duff! She's been to family camp 12 summers in a row so she is a good resource. She will also be the one to take your registration.
2. Decide on your lodging preferences.
 - Cabins: sleep 4-16. Share a larger cabin with another family to save some money. Cabins (except rustic cabins) all have heat, private indoor showers and bathrooms. The cost for these cabins range from \$300 - \$900 for the week, regardless of the number of people in the cabin.
 - Rustic Cabins: are just that – rustic. They do not have private bathrooms or showers, but there are clean bathhouses within a short walk. These sleep 10 in bunks and cost \$225 for the week, regardless of the number of people in the cabin.
 - Campsites – bring your tent, pop-up or RV (no utilities available). Campsites cost \$125 for the week.
 - (Find photos and more info on cabins at www.silverbirchbranch.org, click on "Facilities" then "Cabins" and then select cabin's individually.)
3. Determine your program fees.
 - Program fees are based per person and by age. See last page of this document.
 - Program fees cover all meals and activities during the week.
4. Make your reservations.
 - The great news is that as the sponsoring church, we have first crack at registration.
 - **You can reserve by calling Kate (630-803-8715) or emailing her (kate@kathleenduff.com) with your top three cabin preferences. First come - first serve.**
 - **Space fills up very quickly, so it is important to make your reservation as soon as possible.**



We hope you're able to join us for family camp!



View our slideshow from last year: www.villagebible.org/familycamp



Chapel Teaching

Travis Fleming returns as our Bible teacher this year at family camp.

Travis has served in church ministry for 18 years, and for the past 8 as the campus pastor at the Aurora Campus of Village Bible Church. He has a passion for the Lord and desire to make Him known to the nations – both near and broad. God has given Travis opportunities to lead the church, impart truth on his devotional blog, and teach in a variety of settings, including many camps like SBR.

He makes family his highest priority after his relationship with Jesus. He has been married to Melissa for 16 years and they have four children ranging in age from 4 to 14 years.



Chapel Worship Music

A camp favorite, Dave and Stephanie Hulthen will be return to serve as our worship leaders.

Dave and Steph have been involved in music and leading worship for over 25 years and currently lead worship at our Sugar Grove Campus and have led at family camp for the past 6 years.

They are also both professional photographers and Dave owns a fine wordworking business.

Family Camp Sample Schedule

Family camp is a great time. There are a wide variety of activities & events that will create memories for a lifetime.

8:00 – 8:30	Wake up to a delicious breakfast
9:30 – 10:45	Chapel for teens and adults (see above), programs for infants and children
10:45 – 11:45	Optional morning activity. Kids' programs continue.
12:00 – 12:30	Lunch at your leisure
1:15 – 5:00	Free-time for family activities
5:00 – 5:30	Dinner in the dining hall
6:30 – 7:30	Family activity / game
7:30 – 10:00	Free-time for evening activities, bonfires, hayrides, and canteen

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Program Fees

0-3 years	Free
4-8 years	\$190
9-12 years	\$260
13+ years	\$325
Grandparent 60+	\$240

Program fees are based per person and by age
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Age as of the start of the camp session.
 Grandparent fees apply only if attending with family members.

Cabin Fees

Lakeside Cabins	beds	cost	
Branding Iron	16	\$900	3 separate rooms (sleep 4, 6, 6); kitchen & living room. 2 bathrooms (sink & shower) & toilet rooms. Must rent the whole cabin.
Broken Arrow	14	\$750	Deck facing lake. 1 large bathroom w/ 2 showers, 2 toilets, 2 sinks. 1 double bed
Crazy E	14	\$750	Deck facing lake. 2 showers, 2 toilets, 2 sinks, 1 double bed.
Rocking R	14	\$750	Side deck, bathroom has 1 large shower, 1 toilet, 2 sinks. 1 double bed
Seldom Inn N	10	\$600	Located on the beach, duplex-style. Each side has 1 double bed, private bath.
Seldom Inn S	8	\$600	
Sidewinder	16	\$750	2 toilets, 2 showers, 3 sinks
Swinging B	8	\$575	Lakeside-newly remodeled. 1 shower, 1 sink, 1 toilet
Standard Cabins			
Bronco Buster	10	\$575	Each side has 1 bathroom (1 shower, toilet, sink), 1 double bed. Common porch. Separate 'counselor's' room in the middle with 2 bunks.
Buckaroo	10	\$575	
Crazy Creek	12	\$575	Each side has 1 double bed. Each side has bathroom (1 shower, toilet, sink) Common porch.
Crooked Gully	12	\$575	
Lariat	12	\$575	Each side has 1 double bed. Each side has bathroom (1 shower, toilet, sink) Common porch.
Lost Hollow	12	\$575	
Maverick	12	\$575	Duplex-style, 6 beds on each side (1 double) with shared bathroom in the middle.
Sagebrush	10	\$575	Each side has 1 bathroom (1 shower, toilet, sink), 1 double bed. Common porch Separate 'counselor's' room in the middle with 2 bunks.
Silver Spur	10	\$575	
Texan	12	\$500	1 double bed, 1 bathroom. Older cabin
Cozy Cabins			
Cookie	4	\$300	Very cozy. Can squeeze in port-a-crib.
Sandy Mesa	5	\$375	Screened in porch, small sitting area
Lone Star	8	\$575	Two private rooms each sleep 2-4 with a shared bath, common porch.
Lodge Rooms-each room has 2 twin beds and share 2 bathrooms among the 4 rooms. Bedding provided.			
Lodge	2	\$200	
Rustic Cabins—no bathroom, must use the nearby shower houses. 6 cabins that are unheated, 2 that are heated			
Powderhorn	10	\$300	Heated
Tumbleweed	10	\$225	Unheated
RV Sites-electric and water available, but no septic. Use nearby shower houses. 5 sites total.			
RV Site		\$125	