

October 15, 2009

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ!

Fall is again upon us, and I am frequently reminded of that by phone calls seeking more information about Day Camp registration for 2010. So with only minor further delays . . . I have enclosed the 2010 Day Camp Registration Form!

Now is the time to start planning for the summer of 2010, and Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Florida is already deeply entrenched in our preparations. Of course, the Day Camp program is a huge part of our summer ministry, so we need to get registration underway!

The summer of 2009 was a very successful one for both our Day and Residential camping programs, as we served nearly 1,000 children at Day Camps throughout Florida, in addition to nearly 200 overnight campers! Overall, more than 1,200 youth were served directly by LOMF in 2009!

If your congregation has never hosted a Day Camp before, consider making 2010 your first! If you've hosted Day Camp before, you'll want to sign up as soon as possible – **open slots will fill very fast** and you'll want to register early to get your preferred dates!

Enclosed with this letter is a registration form for next summer's Day Camp program. If you are interested in signing up for 2010, a date can be secured for your congregation with a 25% deposit, determined by the size of your congregation's program. Day Camp **slots will fill up extremely quickly**, so be sure to register right away! Here's how:

**Register by mail:**

Mail your registration form and deposit check **TOGETHER, postmarked** on or after **October 19, 2009** to LOMF, 264 Vause Lake Rd., Hawthorne, FL 32640.

**Register by fax:**

Fax your registration form, **with credit card payment information included**, on or after **October 19, 2009** to: ATTN: Day Camp Registration – 352.546.1469.

Complete registrations will be honored in the order in which they are received. **Registrations without deposits are not considered complete** until a deposit arrives.

Additionally, I want to outline a couple of the changes that have been made to the program. The most obvious is the change in camper increments. In response to requests from 2009 Day Camp congregations, the camper increments have been returned to their previous numbers, with maximum camper numbers of 30, 50 and 70. This will allow your congregation greater flexibility in registering campers. Be aware that if your church

requires a larger number of campers, **it is possible to combine two of those options** to create one larger camp week, while spaces are still available.

Also, I want to note that the per camper price will remain constant for 2010, to accommodate the increase in package size. We hope that no congregation will miss out on Day Camp because of costs, so if the price becomes an issue for your congregation, please contact us. If we can find a way to help, we will! Also, please note that LOMF continues to subsidize each child's Day Camp experience by more than 25%.

Finally, after you've registered you will receive a Day Camp Manual. Please read the manual thoroughly, as there are changes to that manual each year. Some new program offerings have been included in Day Camp in the past year and we hope that your congregation will take advantage of those. So, look over all materials carefully and be sure to contact us if you have any questions.

I've received many inquiries and expect that all spaces will fill quickly, so please register as soon as possible, in order to ensure your congregation's place in the program next summer.

If you have any questions or would like to meet in person, I would be more than happy to come and talk with anyone about the Day Camp program. You can reach me by phone (352.546.5554) or by email ([ChadC@lomfla.org](mailto:ChadC@lomfla.org)). Thank you, and we hope to hear from you soon!

Peace,



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