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Every Empty Bunk is a Missed Opportunity

Preparations for summer are well underway and excitement is building for the 2011 summer camping season at Camp Judson. We are looking forward to seeing how God will work in the lives of our campers, volunteers, and staff, looking forward to seeing seeds planted, decisions made, and lives changed as the love of Jesus is shared with children and teenagers and as we live in Christian community together.

As we think about the summer, we are striving to fill as many bunks with campers as possible and are encouraging our friends and all of our constituent churches to join us in this effort. Last summer we had 589 campers, but if we filled every bunk in every camp with a camper over 900 children and teenagers would take part in our summer camp program and experience the love of Jesus.

While it is tremendous to think about God did and will continue to do in the lives of the 589 campers who participated last summer, it is sad to think of all the empty bunks because every empty bunk means that a child or teenager has missed out on hearing about and experiencing the love of Jesus.

Once again this summer, we have set a goal of having at least 700 campers take part in our summer camp programs this year. This means we need your help! We need your help inviting children and teenagers to come to camp, so invite a friend, a neighbor, a grandchild, a nephew, niece, or cousin to join us at Judson this summer! We also need your help to make sure that we have enough funding for the Camper Assistance Program to help campers who need financial help get to camp.

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A New Orange Tractor!



After nearly 50 years of service at Camp Judson, the old Allis-Chalmers tractor has been retired due to mechanical issues that are becoming too costly to fix. As a result, we began a search for a new tractor and with the help of a few anonymous donors we have purchased a 2007 Kubota L3400 with only 670 hours of use (and is still under warranty!).

While it is sad to see old Allis go, we are excited and give thanks to God that He has provided us with a new (orange) tractor that will be serve Judson for years to come. Thank you to all those who help us look and especially to the donors who helped to make this possible!

2011 Summer Camp Schedule

June 12 – 16	Young Leaders	\$150
June 19 – 25	Junior 1	\$300
	Mini 1	\$160
	Mini 2	\$160
	Junior Trailblazers	\$230
June 26 – July 2	Junior High 1	\$300
	Junior 2	\$300
	Day Camp 1	\$100
July 2 – 5	Family Camp	Cost Varies
July 6 – 9	Mini 3	\$160
	Summer Blast	\$160
	Tenderfoot Wrangler	\$180
July 10 – 16	Arts Alive	\$300
	Seasoned Wrangler	\$360
	Archeology	\$300
July 17 – 23	Super Week	\$300
July 24 – 30	Junior High 2	\$300
	Mini 4	\$160
	Mini 5	\$160
July 31 – Aug 6	Junior 3	\$300
	Trailblazers	\$230
	Day Camp 2	\$100

Get a Discount on Your Registration!

Here's how you can receive a discount on your registration for Summer Camp:

- 1.) All campers who register before March 1 will receive \$20 off their registration. All you have to do is sign up by March 1!
- 2.) First Time campers receive \$20 off their registration. All they have to do is sign up!
- 3.) Campers who invite a first-time camper receive \$20 off their registration (Discounts will be given to the camper listed as the "person who invited you" on a First-time camper's registration form. First-time camper does not have to attend your camp session.)

Please note: Each camper is eligible to receive a maximum of \$20 off of their camp registration.

Additional financial assistance is available for those who need it. Contact the camp office for more information.

In Depth Training for Volunteers

Attention all volunteers! As you are preparing your summer schedule, filling out the volunteer application (hopefully) and sending it in, there are a few changes of which you should be made aware. In past years, volunteers have arrived on Sunday morning at 9:00 am for worship and continued with volunteer training before the official week of camp began.

This year, in an effort to better prepare volunteers, volunteer training will be held for a two day session (June 16-17). All volunteer counselors, CSPs, wranglers, and kitchen staff (unless they are in college or older and have volunteered or served on staff previously) must attend this training session where they will receive training in group management, emergency policies and procedures, being a spiritual leader and more!

Therefore, it is vital that those wishing to volunteer this summer send in their paperwork as soon as possible. Remember that the sooner you turn in your application, the more likely you will be able to volunteer the weeks that work best for your schedule.

For those of you who turn in your volunteer applications late or who are absolutely unable to attend that weekend of volunteer training, we will be offering ONE additional training session in July. We strongly recommend that volunteers attend the weekend in June but if necessary, you may contact the office to make other arrangements for the July session.

We hope that these changes have a positive impact on our camp staff and volunteers and that we are all better prepared to serve God by serving our campers.

Ways You Can Pray for Judson

Here are some ways you can pray for the ministry of Camp Judson:

- Thank God for the success of the 3-D Youth Leader Training Event
- Thank God for the provision of the new tractor
- For the Breakaway Youth Retreat (April 15-17)
- For the Pastor's Retreat (April 25-26)
- For at least 700 campers to come to Summer Camp this summer
- For God's provision of all the funds necessary to meet the scholarship needs of the Camper Assistance Program
- That God would prepare campers, staff, and volunteers for how they will experience the love of Jesus during their camp session(s)
- For our volunteer directors and bible study leaders as they prepare the lessons and talks they will share with campers this summer
- For God's protection of our campers, staff, volunteers, leadership, facility, and ministry
- For God's provision in meeting all of our needs
- For God's wisdom and dreams as we plan for the future of the Camp Judson ministry particularly as the board and camp leadership begins the process of developing a long range strategic plan

Camping is for Families Too

If you want the excitement of camp for your whole family together, consider coming for Family Camp! Family campers have the option of staying in the campground or in one of the cabins and participate in age appropriate activities of their choosing led by Judson staff, as well as bible studies and vespers geared for families under the leadership of Roscoe Bennett and Kevin Saxton. For costs and registration information, visit www.campjudson.com or call the camp office at (814) 922-3834.

If you can't come to Family Camp, but would still like to get away with your family for a night or two, consider staying in the Lakeside Campgrounds at Camp Judson with its spectacular lake views. Campsites with hookups are just \$30/night and without for just \$25/night anytime between May 15 and October 15. Reservations are recommended to ensure availability upon arrival. (The campground is reserved for Family Camp participants from July 2nd through 5th.) Call the office (814) 922-3834 to make your reservation.

Spring Retreat Programming

Our 3-D Youth Leader Training event in February was a great success with 35 youth directors, volunteers, and pastors participating in the weekend of training with Darrell Pearson and Eric Kraihanzel from Eastern University's Youth Ministry department. Because of the extremely positive feedback for the event, we are looking forward to sponsoring similar events in the future.

We are also offering the Breakaway youth retreat and hosting the ABCOPAD Pastor's Retreat later this month and look forward to offering more programming in support of local church congregations and youth ministries.

Judson Day Offering 2011

On a recent visit to camp, you may have noticed the toll that the ice has taken on the support structure for the pond dock. This year's Judson Day Offering received by our constituent churches will be used to replace the pond dock with a new, handicap accessible dock designed to deal with pond ice.

Additional funds will be used to replace our supply of personal flotation devices (PFD's) worn by campers, staff, and guests while canoeing, sailing, and jet skiing, as well as to help to meet the rapidly rising cost of feeding the horses. Thank you for your support!

Investing in the Future

Does Camp Judson hold special meaning to you? Maybe it is the place that you first experienced the love of Jesus and decided to follow him. Maybe you met and developed some of your most significant relationships through Judson. Or maybe it holds a special place in your heart because of what it did in the life of a friend or family member.

Whatever reason it is for you, you can play a special role in growing and sustaining the Camp Judson ministry into the future by making a legacy gift by including Camp Judson in your will or through some other planned gift.

To learn more about possibilities for making such a gift, please speak to your lawyer or financial professional.

House Addition Project Reaches Completion

The addition to the Manager's House has been completed and the Saxton family have moved in. They are delighted with all the additional living space as well as a second bathroom, the first floor laundry, and lots more closet space!

Thank you to all of the contractors and volunteers who made the completion of this project possible, Mike O'Brien and Bob Brewster (excavation), Dave Miller Construction (foundation, framing), Alumni Volunteers John Wilson, Roy Bickley, Dave Ruhling, Don Girdwood, Jonathan Leninsky, Ray Camp, and Bob Saxton (insulation and drywall), Lee Reynolds Construction (roofing, drywall finishing, finish carpentry), Bruce Drake (siding), Rick Krome (plumbing), Craig Adams Heating and Cooling (HVAC), Jeff Locke, Brian Beardsley, Brent Crandell, Jim Kibbe, Don Lafferty, and from Greenfield Baptist Church (electrical), Glenn Peterson Carpet (flooring), Shari Whitten and Sheila Hnida (painting), David White and John Bennett (miscellaneous odds and ends)

Thank you also to all of the generous churches and individuals whose generosity and faithfulness made the addition possible and have made for a more comfortable home for the managing director and his family!



Join us for Rally Day, Sat, June 18!

Everyone is invited to come and join us for our annual Rally Day open house on Saturday, June 18.

The day will begin as we join together for a time of worship as we open the summer camping season and dedicate the ECHO jugs to the Camper Assistance Program.

Lunch will be available in the dining hall (\$5/adults, \$2/kids ages 3-12, under age 3 eat free!) or you can bring a picnic lunch to enjoy in the pavilion. Drinks and watermelon will be provided for everyone.

Guests will also have opportunity to meet the 2011 summer staff, tour the camp, swim in the pool, ride horses, climb the rock wall, canoe in the pond, ride the hay wagon, and play field games. The day will conclude with Vespers in the late afternoon by the lake.

We hope you'll join us for a day of celebration of what God has done and is still doing here at Camp Judson, get reacquainted with old friends, and make new ones!

So plan to come to Judson on June 18 and bring your kids, your grandkids, your friends and your neighbors to join in the fun and celebration!

EVERY EMPTY BUNK

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Last year because of the generosity of many individuals and churches and donations of just over \$40,000, we were able to help 161 campers get to camp! You can donate to the Camper Assistance Program by sending a check to Judson designated for "CAP" or by giving through your own local church.

We know that God is faithful and that God will provide both the campers and the funds to help kids get to camp, so we ask you to pray for Camp Judson and the 700 Camper Challenge.

As of April 8, we have received 115 registrations, which gets us 15% of the way to our goal of 700 campers, so think about who you can invite to camp to experience the love of Jesus!

Camp Judson Store Wish List

Here is a list of items that can be donated for use in the camp store:

All candy and chip items must be individually wrapped.

The most popular choices of candy are:

Hershey Bars
Reese's PB Cups,
Mars,
3 Musketeers,
Butterfinger,
Mounds,
M& M's- plain, peanut, or peanut butter,
Reese's Pieces,
Cow's Tails,
Snickers
Air Heads,
Nerds,
Laffy Taffy,
Twizzlers,

Cases of individual size bags of chips, pretzels, combos, fruit snacks, or Trail mix.

Small flashlights/batteries Batteries- size AA
Sample size bottles of shampoo
Small bottles of sunscreen
Disposable Cameras,
Small tablets,
Stamps (both regular & postcard),
Small bottles of bug repellent

Please no gum. We have plenty of craft items, pens, pencils, toothpaste, combs & bars of soap.

Thank you for your time and help!!

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Stay Connected!

There are two ways to keep up with what is going on here at Camp Judson. You can find us on Facebook and Twitter.



If you have a Facebook account, log in and search for the page "Camp Judson" and become a fan.

If you have a twitter account, log in and search for CampJudson (one word) and click the follow button. Or follow us directly by visiting:



www.twitter.com/CampJudson

Our Website Has a New Look!

Visit the all-new www.campjudson.com for news, brochures, information, forms, and applications.

Need a Place for Your Retreat or Event?

Consider Camp Judson! We offer a beautiful setting, friendly staff, and great food and would love to host you here on the shores of Lake Erie.

Now booking for late summer 2011, fall 2011, and 2012!

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