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Hello Friends and Families! **Labor Day Family Weekend** (Sept 2-5) is almost here and we've got a full camp! Please share the following information with others in your group who may be coming.

Reserve your meals in the Ark Dining Hall by Tuesday, August 30. Check the delicious menus and discounted prices (expanded child pricing for ages 4-12!) on page 2 of this letter or at www.campbethelvirginia.org/labor_day.htm, then reserve before August 30 at campbetheloffice@gmail.com or (540) 992-2940.

If you are reserved but are NOT planning to come, PLEASE let us know so we can offer the facility for this weekend only to a family on our waiting list. *Are you sure you reserved a cabin/campsite?* Confirm your lodging/camping reservation at www.campbethelvirginia.org/availability.htm or by contacting Jenny at campbetheloffice@gmail.com or (540) 992-2940. At this date, all cabins, cottages and rooms are reserved, as well as most "official" RV hook-ups. Tent camping and dry RV camping is welcome anywhere on site, so let us know you're coming.

Performances/Concerts: All weekend guests AND the wider Botetourt-Roanoke-and-Virginia community is invited to our concerts at Hillside Auditorium. Free-will offerings will be requested.

- Saturday, Sept. 3, 8:00pm: **Variety/Talent Show:** We're twisting the arms of several of our registered guests to perform 1-2 songs/acts. Are you itching to perform? Contact Jenny at campbetheloffice@gmail.com.
- Sunday, Sept 4, 7:30pm: **Band of Brethren:** Soulful sounds from our fun friends!

What to Bring/What to Offer:

1. **Please offer an activity**, Bible study, presentation, game session, etc. for our guest families. If you can do so, check the current schedule posted at the web site above and e-mail the information and time choice to Jenny ASAP so we can include it into the weekend's schedule as an offering for other guests.
2. Sunday Pot-Luck Dinner, September 4 at 5:30pm in the Shelter-by-the-Spring: Please bring a dish (or two) to share. Camp Bethel will provide drinks, cups, ice, plates, napkins, utensils and serving spoons.
3. Bring extra cash or your check book for the Trading Post, for payments, for free-will offerings at our concerts, for Sunday morning offering at New Bethel CoB, and for donations.
4. Also bring: flashlight; bedroll or sleeping bag; bike(s) & helmet; hiking/walking shoes; musical instrument; clothes fit for the weather; swim suit & towel; food as needed; rain gear; camera; checkbook or exact cash for payments, Trading Post & gifts; family first-aid kit; games & all your family traditions; personal and hygiene items; food item for Sunday's pot-luck; tick-mosquito-chigger prevention.

All the current information about the weekend (schedule, forms, fees, what to bring, etc.) is posted at www.campbethelvirginia.org/labor_day.htm, and we'll post other information as we get it. **The final, absolute schedule of weekend activities and events will be the printed copy on the office porch .**

Thanks for your help and understanding! Call or e-mail with any questions. We're looking forward to seeing each of you, our Camp Bethel Family!

Peace, in Christ our hope,

Barry LeNoir & the Camp Bethel Staff



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Labor Day Family Camp 2011 Weekend Menus:

All meals are served with appropriate condiments and "fixin's" (butter, apple butter, ketchup, etc.). Self-serve coffee, tea, and hot cocoa is available in the dining hall at all times (for guests reserving meals).

Date	Main menu	Dessert
Saturday, September 3		
8:00am Breakfast (\$6.00 adult; \$3 children 4-12); under 4 free)	Biscuits & gravy, Sausage patties, Scrambled eggs, juice, coffee, water. Includes a self-serve bar with cold cereal, milk, fresh fruit, white bread, wheat bread, bagels, peanut butter, cream cheese, assorted jams & jellies, yogurt	
12:30 Lunch (\$7.00 adult, \$3.50 children 4-12) under 4 free)	Make-your-own taco (soft shell tacos with beef, lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa, and sour cream), Spanish rice, Refried beans, lemonade, water, coffee. Includes a self-serve bar with fresh fruit, white bread, wheat bread, bagels, peanut butter, and assorted jams & jellies	Chocolate chip cookies
5:30 Dinner (\$8.00 adult, \$4 children 4-12), under 4 free)	Oven-baked chicken strips, Homemade mashed potatoes, Honey-glazed carrots, Dinner rolls w/ apple butter, Salad, tea, lemonade, water, coffee. Includes a self-serve bar with fresh fruit, white bread, wheat bread, bagels, peanut butter, and assorted jams & jellies	White cake w/ chocolate icing
Sunday, September 4		
8:00am Breakfast (\$6.00 adult, \$3 children 4-12), under 4 free)	French toast, Oatmeal with raisins and brown sugar, Cheese omelets, juice, coffee, water. Includes a self-serve bar with cold cereal, milk, fresh fruit, white bread, wheat bread, bagels, peanut butter, cream cheese, assorted jams & jellies, yogurt	
12:30 Lunch (\$8.00 adult, \$4 children 4-12), under 4 free)	Baked BBQ chicken, Macaroni and cheese, Broccoli salad, Cornbread, Salad, lemonade, water, coffee. Includes a self-serve bar with fresh fruit, white bread, wheat bread, bagels, peanut butter, and assorted jams & jellies	Popsicles
5:30 Dinner: FREE!	Pot Luck @ Shelter by the Spring. Bring a dish to share and a big appetite! Camp Bethel will provide drinks, ice, plates, cups, utensils and napkins.	
Monday, September 5		
9:00am Brunch (\$6.00 adult, \$3 children 4-12), under 4 free)	Pancakes, Turkey bacon, Scrambled eggs, Blueberry coffee cake, Fresh fruit salad, Yogurt & granola, juice, water, coffee. Includes a self-serve bar with cold cereal, milk, fresh fruit, white bread, wheat bread, bagels, peanut butter, cream cheese, assorted jams & jellies, yogurt	

CAMP BETHEL RULES AND POLICIES:

Camp Bethel has the following basic rules and policies to ensure the comfort, safety and proper peaceful environment for all our guests. Camp Bethel reserves the right to dismiss or to notify local law enforcement authorities regarding any disturbance or non-compliance with stated policies. Please help monitor camp while you're here to ensure the safety of all guests, especially children.

- No smoking;** Camp Bethel is a non-smoking facility. No obscene language. No alcohol or drugs.
- No pets or animals unless expressly permitted by the Director, and then, only on a leash and kept quiet for courtesy.
- No weapons, hunting, ammunition, target shooting, paint-ball, fireworks or explosives.
- Child supervision: **Parents MUST supervise children at all times.**
- Vehicles: Speed limit is 5 mph. Park in designated areas; avoid parking in grass where possible. Once on site, **park your car and walk to and from your areas of use**, unless providing mobility for the disabled. **Vehicles yield to cyclists, and cyclists yield to pedestrians. Pedestrians have the right of way everywhere** . Turn off your car radio/stereo when on camp. Do not transport your participants anywhere on or off camp property in non-passenger vehicles or in the bed of trucks. Wear seat-belts in moving vehicles.
- Bicycles: Helmets are required for all cyclists. Bikes yield to pedestrians; be wary of vehicles. No biking after dark w/out headlamps or lighting.
- No motorized bikes, scooters, ATVs, go-carts, etc. Motorcyclists driving to camp must follow rules for vehicles.
- For insurance purposes, horses are not allowed on camp without the prior approval of the Director.
- Keep out of Heifer shed and paddock (cows, pigs) and electric fenced grazing areas: You may feed animals grass through the fence.
- Trash:** Place all trash in the dumpster beside the Retreat Center. Thank you.
- Quiet Hours 9:00/10pm-7:30am: Keep your noise level low. Music (unless live or group singing) should be inaudible to other users.
- To avoid foot injury, wear shoes at all times (except in bed, in shower, in pool). Flip flops are discouraged.
- To avoid injury or damage to camp property and facilities, do not throw anything, except during outdoor games. Do not play throwing games near or inside buildings (other than the gym).
- To avoid injury or damage to camp property and facilities, no rough or dangerous play or activities.
- Only the buildings, equipment and areas you have reserved are available and accessible to you.
- A First Aid Kit** is located on the office porch. In a life-threatening emergency, call 9-1-1.
- Leave facilities, furniture, equipment and areas of use orderly, clean, and free of food-waste.