

Your Camp Bethel Supporter information packet!

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YOU are our democratic representation to your congregation and your community. As owners and operators of Camp Bethel you have faithfully responded for years and years with your time, gifts, work, support, and prayers. THANK YOU for all you do and continue to do for your Outdoor Ministry!

INFORM your congregation and community of Camp Bethel events, news, and information.

INCLUDE Camp Bethel information into church newsletters, bulletins, and displays.

SUPPORT your outdoor ministry and your District with your time and gifts.

PARTICIPATE in Camp Bethel and Virginia District events as much as possible.

2017 was another incredible year, and we're looking ahead to a record-breaking 2018. In 2017 we ministered to 1,212 campers during seven weeks of summer camp, we hosted 465 youth in guest/band camps, and we welcomed over 21,500 other guests on 46 of 52 possible weeks and weekends! Excellent staff, authentic and fun programs, joy-filled Christian Education, delicious meals, 470 beautiful acres and rustic-modern buildings... *Camp Bethel is only successful because of YOUR support!* We, the Camp Bethel staff and the Outdoor Ministries Committee are happy to partner with you in Outdoor Ministry, **TOGETHER**.

All gifts and donations are tax deductible. Camp Bethel is owned and operated by the Virginia District Church of the Brethren, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization with Federal Tax Identification Number 54-6043879. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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CAMP BETHEL UPCOMING EVENTS:



March 2-3, 2018 (Fri-Sat), Virlina District Junior High Retreat at Camp Bethel.
March 5, 2018 (Mon), 8:30am, Northern Area Ministers Breakfast & Program.
March 8, 2018 (Thurs), 6:30pm, Sow the Seed Banquet, RSVP by Feb 28.
March 24 (Sat), 3,00pm OMC meeting at First CoB.
March 24, 2018 (Sat) 5:00, First CoB Chili Cookoff & Cake/Pie Bakeoff for Camperships, 540-344-8196.
April 7, 2018 (Sat) 7:30am Spring Workday; RSVP meals by April 1.
April 7, 2018, 10a-4p, Camp Bethel booth at the Virginia Family Expo, Salem Civic Center.
April 20-21 (Fri-Sat), Calling the Called (ministry discernment workshop) at Camp Bethel.
April 27-28, 2018 (Fri-Sat), 17th Sounds of the Mountains Festival.
April 28, 2018 (Sat) 11:00am-4:00pm, Camp Bethel booth at YMCA at VaTech Healthy Kids Day.
May 5, 2018 (Sat), Camp Bethel at Ministry & Mission in Virlina Day at Collinsville CoB.
May 5, 2018 (Sat) 4:30pm, Roanoke, First CoB Pancake Supper for Youth to NYC; RSVP to 540-344-8196.
May 12-16, 2018, ACA Canoe Instructor Certification Course.
May 26-28, 2018, ACA Kayak Instructor Certification Course.
May 22-25, 2018 (Tues-Thurs), Summer Coordinators Training.
May 25-28, 2018, Memorial Day Family Weekend & Concerts, RSVP meals.
May 26, 2018 (Sat), Family Day/Summer Camp Open House, 1,00-4,00pm.
May 28-June 8, 2018, Summer Staff Training.
June 1-2, 2018 (Fri-Sat), Parent-Child Overnight Camp.
June 2, 2018 (Sat), Camp Bethel booth/sponsorship at Botetourt Children's Fishing Carnival in Buchanan.
June 2-3, 2018, ACA Canoe/Kayak Trip Leader Course.
June 8, 2018 (Fri) 5:30pm, Summer Staff Commissioning Dinner & Service.
June 10–August 3, 2018, Summer Camps & Family Adventures, "Boundless Belief, God's Universe"
June 12-15, 2018 (Tues-Fri), CIT Training and Practicum.
June 19 (Tue) 5:30pm OMC dinner with campers, then meeting (staff reports to Barry by June 18).
August 22, 2018 (Wed), 24th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament.
August 24 (Fri) 5:15pm OMEC & 6:00 OMC budget meeting at the DRC (staff reports are optional).
August 25, 2018 (Sat), Camp Bethel PEP! 5K Run/Walk.
August 31-Sept 3, 2018, Labor Day Family Weekend, RSVP meals.
October 6, 2018 (Sat), 34th Brethren Heritage Day Festival.
October 12-14, 2018, Camp Bethel at Roanoke GO Outside Festival.
November 3, 2018 (Sat), 7:30am, Fall Workday, RSVP meals.
November 9-10 (Fri-Sat) Virlina District Conference & OMC reorganization at Bonsack Baptist.
November 11-15, 2018, OMA National Conference at Camp Bethel.
November 12, 2018 (Mon), Crisis Management Workshop.
December 1, 2018 (Sat), Virlina District Board & OMC Retreat/lunch at Camp Bethel.
December 6, 2018 (Thurs), Christmas TOGETHER Banquet.
December 3-21, 2018, Schedule your Christmas Banquet at Camp Bethel!
December 28, 2018 (Fri), Summer Staff & CIT Reunion.
December 29-30, 2018 (Sat-Sun), Winter Camp New Year Party & Program.

2019

January 7, 2019: Summer Camp Registration OPENS.
February 2 (Sat): 9:00am OMEC Meeting & 10:00 OMC Meeting.
February 2, 2019 (Sat), 12:00noon: Camp Supporter Lunch, RSVP.
March 7, 2019 (Thurs), 6:30pm: Sow the Seed Campership Banquet, RSVP.
April 6, 2019 (Sat) 7:30am Spring Workday, RSVP meals.
April 6 (Sat): 10:30am OMEC meeting & 11:30am OMC meeting.
April 12-13, 2019 (Fri-Sat): 18th Sounds of the Mountains Festival.
May 24-27, 2019: Memorial Day Family Weekend & Concerts, RSVP meals.
May 25, 2019 (Sat), Family Day/Summer Camp Open House, 1:00-4:00pm.
May 27-June 7, 2019: Summer Staff Training.
May 31-June 1, 2019: Parent-Child Overnight Camp.
June 7, 2019 (Fri) 5:30pm: Staff Commissioning Dinner/Family Picnic.
June 9–August 2, 2019: Summer Camps & Family Adventures.
June 18, 2019 (Tue) 5:30pm: OMC Dinner w/ campers & meeting.
August 21, 2019 (Wed): 25th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament & Banquet.
August 23 (Fri) 5:15pm OMEC & 6:00pm OMC Budget Meeting at DRC.
August 24, 2019 (Sat): Camp Bethel PEP! 5K Run/Walk.
August 30-Sept 2, 2019: Labor Day Family Weekend, RSVP meals.
October 5, 2019 (Sat): 35th annual Heritage Day Festival.
November 2, 2019 (Sat): Fall Volunteer Workday, RSVP meals.
November 8-9, 2019: Virlina District Conference, *location TBD.*
December 5, 2019 (Thu): Christmas TOGETHER Banquet.
December 7, 2019 (Sat): Virlina District Board/OMC day at Camp Bethel.
December 29, 2019 (Sun): Summer Staff Reunion & Potluck Dinner.
December 30-31, 2019: Winter Camp Youth & Kids' Retreat.