



Camp Bethany, Ohio

A place where people retreat to nature to meet Jesus, belong, grow, and have fun.

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Facts of 501(c)(3)

There has been some confusion about our transfer to a 501(c)(3). Below are some facts help make our transfer clearer:

- A nonprofit begins with a group of people that share a goal and want to fill a need in their community.
- None of the organization's earnings may benefit any private shareholder or individual.
- If someone having influence over the organization does have an excess benefit transaction, an excise tax may be imposed on the person and others involved in the decision-making process.
- Donors may claim a charitable deduction for donations.
- The organization is considered tax-exempt on business-related income.
- The organization isn't able to generate too much income from a purpose that is unrelated to the nonprofit.
- A Form 990 must be completed annually and submitted to the IRS.
- By law, meeting and financial records are made available upon request.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our secretary at secretary@campbethany.org.



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Adult Retreat Recap

During Adult Retreat weekend in early June, our 19 campers learned and discussed a series, "Goliath Must Fall." This series walked campers through confronting their "giants" in life such as fear, comfort, addiction, anger, and rejection.

When the adults weren't delving into the series or playing games, they also helped with some service projects around camp. To those who attended, thank you for your help! We hope to see everyone next year at Adult Retreat.



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MEET THE STAFF

SUMMER CAMP 2022



Kenton Van Duyne -
Summer
Program Director



Christy Carmean -
Head Cook



Mindy McPherran -
Assistant Cook



Annie Simon -
Summer Camp
Coordinator



Faith Lutz -
Assistant Director

QUOTES FROM THE SUMMER STAFF!

What are you looking forward to this summer?
"I am looking forward to the friendships that will be made among the staff and the campers! Getting to work with new people each summer is great because each person brings unique, special gifts that make camp so special. Every year you get to meet so many campers and form really beautiful relationships with them. It's just the best and my favorite part of camp." - Olivia Plank

What is your favorite camp memory?
"My favorite camp memory is a recurring one...every time a staff member comes around the corner with a camper right on their heels, I can always see it far in advance. It's in the way their faces are trying, holding back the most contagious smiles you can ever imagine. The staff member will come to me and say something like "we have something that we would like to share with you.." The camper's next line never gets any less impactful: "I just accepted Jesus into my heart." Watching their faces light up in animated joy, hearing all of the staff and campers nearby erupt in cheers...those will always be the times that echo through my memories when I think about Camp Bethany." - Kenton Van Duyne

CABIN COUNSELORS

Mark Your
Calendar



Summer Camp
2022

July 3-9
Middler Camp

July 10-16
Jr. High Camp

Sept 3-5
Family Camp



Naomi Strickland



Olivia Plank



Micaela Carmean



Grace Moricca



Ella Wagner



Emma Zemancik



Caleb Young



Aaron Mohney



Andrew Pool

Why do you keep coming back to Camp Bethany?

"I love how much closer I become with God in this place and how much I can feel the Holy Spirit's presence in my life after I leave." - Andrew

What is your favorite camp memory?

"My sophomore year of high school it was raining and we sang "Trees." There's a line that goes, 'let it rain...open the flood gates of Heaven.' We all ended up singing out in the rain together." - Naomi Strickland

John 15:5-8 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in Me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to My Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be My disciples."

News Around Camp



Chapel Roof—We're excited to announce the completion of the project. The new metal roof will last for at least 50 years!



Freezer—The kitchen had been in need of a new freezer. The Arctic Air Freezer is made of stainless steel and is environmentally friendly.



Front Porch on Cabin 1—A front porch was added onto Cabin 1, along with a reconfigured frontside. This makes it an ADA compliant cabin.



Family Camp - Will We See You There?

When is it?

Family Camp is during Labor Day Weekend and starts at noon on Saturday, September 3rd and ends at 1:00p.m. on Monday, September 5th.

Why come?

People who have been coming to Family Camp for years love it because it's time with your family at camp. There are breakout sessions for the adults and a separate session for the kids. Between sessions is some organized activities and free time. Meals are provided starting with lunch on Saturday and ending with lunch on Monday, so Moms and Dads, that means an entire weekend of no cooking!



Family Camp will be run by Jeff and Kim Chittenden.

How to register?

Go to our website at campbethany.org. At the top you'll see blue tabs. Click "Online Registration," and then click "Family Camp Registration." There is a \$45 fee per person OR \$170 per family. Please try to register by August 20th, so we can plan out cabins and rooms.

If you have questions, please email the secretary at secretary@campbethany.org.



This is My Testimony...

Camp Bethany is in my blood. My grandma was a counselor back when the trees were much smaller. Both of my parents attended as campers. Countless cousins and relations have attended (and still do!) over the years. My mother was the nurse or taught classes while my brother attended as a camper and I got to run around with my little friends. I attended as a camper myself and then came back as a full time staff counselor. After I started my own little family, I began coming back each summer to dean. Now I bring my children, and they get to be the little camp kids running around with their friends.

Throughout my life whenever I have been asked where my favorite place is on earth I always say, without hesitation, "Camp Bethany." I feel like I'm coming home when I drive around that corner and see the edge of the lodge peaking through the trees. I have so many favorite memories there: campfires, games of foursquare, communal singing in the shower, turning off of all the lights and laying out under the stars, piano burning, forever friendships, late night conversations, early morning mist over the camp, baptisms in the ponds, and salvation stories... and so many more! How to pick one? But I will.

In so many ways my story begins at camp. When I was around 10 years old I heard the gospel told by Michelle Cobb up in the chapel while she created a beautiful chalk drawing that transformed with a black light. It revealed two paths, the wide path leading to destruction and the straight and narrow path leading to life with Jesus. It became clear to me then, and still is today, that there is only one way for me and it is with Jesus. I prayed on the steps in the chapel handing over my whole life to Jesus that day and He holds it securely in His hand. I love Camp Bethany and still spend time there each summer, and I am so hopeful and happy that it is still such a place of life and light to people of all ages.

- Summer Hopler

Want to be featured?

Are you interested in sharing a memory or the impact Camp Bethany has had on your life? If you want to be featured, please write a short essay (less than 400 words) and send to secretary@campbethany.org with a picture. In your essay, please be sure to include who you are, how you are connected to camp, and how anyone else mentioned in your testimony is connected to you.



Did You Know?

You can rent Camp Bethany!

1 night = \$40 per person
 2 nights = \$55 per person
 3 nights = \$75 per person
 4 nights = \$85 per person
 Each night beyond 4 is \$10 per person

Day-charge without night = \$15 per person
 Children 3 & under are free
 There is a 15 person minimum to rent the camp.
 Brethren Churches receive a 50% discount!

Board of Directors

Dr. Carol Bland attended Camp Bethany for many years as a child, and now for several years, she has served as Camp Nurse. Her daughter Arianna also attends the Camp each year. Dr. Bland was elected to the Board of Directors at the 2021 Annual Meeting. She is passionate about the Camp's mission and has experience in the areas of business development/analysis and management. She also has experience in managing doctor's offices, both administratively and supervising employees. As a First Brethren Church member of West Alexandria, Ohio, she has served as Church Board Secretary and Vacation Bible School Director, as well as Director for the community wide VBS.



From the Kitchen

One of the highlights of spending time at Camp Bethany is all the delicious food we get to eat! Be on the lookout for the recipes to make these mouth-watering foods that come straight from the cook-books of current and past Camp Chefs.

Pizza Dough *(Debby Bracey)*

- 1 pack dry yeast or
2 ¼ tsp if you buy the bags of yeast
- 1 c boiling water
- ½ Tbsp salt
- 1 ½ Tbsp sugar
- 3 to 3 ½ c of flour



Laurie Shaffer (left) and Debby Bracey (right). Debby has been a part of Camp Bethany for 50 years. She's helped cook at Winter Camp and during other programs! Thanks, Debby!

First boil water. Then stir in sugar and salt. Let cool until lukewarm. Next, add yeast. Let stand for 5 minutes. Then, add flour – add last ½ cup slowly – the dough should feel slightly sticky or tacky. (If it feels too sticky, add a little more flour.) Cover dough with plastic wrap and let rise for at least 1.5 hours.

Roll dough into a ball. Work dough from the center to flatten it. Use fingertips to press dough to 1/2-inch thick. Turn and stretch dough until it will not stretch further. Let relax for 5 minutes. Preheat the oven to 450°F. Stretch dough a little more, then add desired toppings. Put pizza on baking stone and bake for 15 to 17 minutes, depending how thick toppings are. Let rest for 5 minutes before cutting pizza. Enjoy!

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