



Welcome Letter

Hello Friends!

I am so excited to share this information with you! It's that time to make plans for Youth Camp 2024! The dates are June 10th - 14th. In this letter you'll find some general information about the event and also how you might be able to help us out!

The theme that we have selected is from Exodus 3:14. Moses was led to a place where he finds a bush that was engulfed in flames but not burnt up. God called Moses to deliver His people from slavery in Egypt and from the hands of Pharaoh. What an incredible task! Moses asked, *"Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh...."* (Ex. 3:11) We ask that same question, don't we? When God has a plan for our life, when He has something for us to do, we often start by asking *"why me?"* "Me" is the wrong starting position, like starting a marathon from six blocks behind the mark. It's not a matter of what we are being called to do, but a matter of WHO is calling us. God says to Moses, *"I AM has sent me to you"* (Ex. 3:15) and in that little sentence, God tells Moses all he needs to hear. The "I AM" is all he would need. God was directing Moses to keep his confidence in God. When God calls us with a task, He equips us for the task. We ought to start with Him.

This year, we will be joined by a Summer Camp Team from Ohio Christian University. They will be sending a group of students to serve as youth counselors. I am grateful for their help this year, and in the previous years. Such an event would not be possible without willing servants!

There are some ways that you can help! We are endeavoring to lower the cost of registration. Whether your church is planning to send kids or not, would you prayerfully consider a donation for COGVA Youth Fellowship? I often say this to my church, *"If ten people would give \$100...."* So, with that in mind, if 40 people in this massive state would give \$100, youth camp would be paid in full. Imagine what we can do together! For reference, read Acts 2:45. Would you prayerfully consider how you might be able to help curb this cost? Would you prayerfully consider how you might show your support for our youth and children in the state of Virginia?

I can't wait to see you there!

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