



Camp Assurance 2014
Thursday – June 26

Junior 2

Staff & Mantle

A Newsletter for Camp Staff

"The Bible is worth all the other books which have ever been printed." Patrick Henry, "Orator of the Revolution", Governor of Virginia, 1776-1778

Highlights for Thursday:

Breakfast Cookout: Horse Staff up and packing truck by 6:30am. Leave for barn at 6:45 with long table, cooler, etc.

Ashton, Kyle/Elizabeth, Hanna in Cabin area by 6:45

7:30 Breakfast for all Office, Shop, Tech Staff[Time kids too!] TIME, and Op Staff clean Bath House during flagraising and breakfast.

AM Chapel: Brendon & Charity, lead kids in the camp song to open Chapel then all staff to meeting in DH.

Dakota: Lay out Tug-of-war rope in Ladies Cabin Area.

At 9:45 – Ladies 1 goes to ride horses [take your Bible and Booklets to the picnic table at the cookout area. This is where you will do God&I time after your ride].

10:20 Game Time=Tug-of-War

Bible Class with Pastor George: Guys Cabin 2 will ride during this time. We will ask Pastor George to do a special "rebroadcast" Bible class during Rest Time in the Craft Shop.

Noon: All campers doing a noon cookout will head to barn after Bible Class. Counselors, make sure they have close-toed shoes!!!

Transport to Forest Glen: We will use a bus and a van, but it will still take a few trips to get all to park. Counselors, be sharp to count up kids and make sure we get all back.

At Forest Glen: After Tower Game we will need counselors, staff to start up Kickball and Volleyball. Guys, lets leave soccer for after supper – unless kids really want to play that instead of one of the others.

Supper: Ladies eat first and be ready to head back to swim by 5:45pm. Guys play soccer until we can take them all back.

Snack Shop Open from 7pm-7:40

8pm - Honesty Debate

Staff note on Friday night at 8:15pm after kids leave: We are having an ice cream fellowship with our Faith Baptist work crew and all staff is invited to join in too. We want to hear what things they have enjoyed, learned from the week of work.

Phil. 2:17-18 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all. For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me.

Paul considered the opportunity to suffer and die for Christ a joy. In fact he emphasizes he considers this a joy to do for the Philippians own faith.

What are you willing to sacrifice for the faith of others? In order to evangelize we should be willing to suffer embarrassment to present Christ. This is true by direct confrontational evangelism, passing out tracts, or writing gospel letters to family members.

What are you willing to sacrifice for the sake of your campers? It is not long in the summer before the temptation to splurge on ourselves becomes constant. We rationalize we deserve a break instead of getting right back out among our campers. We will start telling campers to "give me a break" instead of humbly listening to their request and meeting their demands. How do I know this? Camp Directors face the same temptations!

Earlier in this chapter Paul lays out Christ's example of humility even unto death. Notice how he ends the chapter:

Phil 2:25-30 Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants. For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick. For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. I sent him therefore the more carefully, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful. Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and hold such in reputation: Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.

Paul is able to point to the example of Epaphroditus as one willing to labour to the point of death for the sake of Paul. We see here two others willing to follow Christ's example. You believe you are willing to die for Christ? Prove it by your willingness to serve Christ by serving your campers to the point of total exhaustion as necessary.

TODAY'S PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Lee is stable thus far after surgery. Still a long recovery!
- Praise that God held off rain yesterday
- Safety in Horse Rides and other activities affected by "wetness".