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years, and lived seven.” Are you living your life or just existing?

The Apostle Peter begins his first letter:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

(1 Peter 1:3).

Have you ever considered what the words “living hope” mean? It’s hope that gives life!

Christians are often accused of not knowing how to live. We are painted in boring shades of grey, when the fact is: our faith gives us hope, and hope gives us:

- Joy, Romans 5:2
- Comfort in sorrow, 1 Thessalonians 4:18
- Confident assurance, Hebrews 6:18, 19
- Motivation for holy living, 1 John 3:3

We are “saved in hope” (Romans 8:24), and our hope is based on the written Word of God, Psalms 119:49.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope” (Romans 15:13).



Work & Worship Weekend April 22 - April 24

Come join us at beautiful Silver Maple Camp for a weekend of work, worship and fellowship. Help us “wake up” camp and get it ready for summer camp sessions!

There’s lots of cleanup to be done (both inside the buildings and outside on the grounds), as well as several maintenance jobs that need to be completed before the facility is ready for campers to arrive.

Bring the whole family! There will be jobs (and FUN!) for all ages, abilities and stamina levels. There will even be a fun SCAVENGER HUNT to help everyone explore the camp grounds!

We’ll meet at camp on Friday, April 22 at 7:00pm to tackle the first tasks of sweeping out the cabins and cleaning the bathhouses. After getting bedding settled in cabins, we’ll end the evening with snacks, fellowship and a campfire devotional.

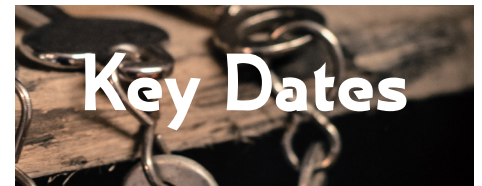
Saturday’s tasks will include deep cleaning in the kitchen, mess hall and activity center, outdoor landscaping and repair, bathhouse maintenance, and many other things.

We’ll wrap up the weekend Sunday morning with worship time and a noon meal together. All meals for the weekend will be provided (snacks only Friday evening).

WHERE DO WE SIGN UP??!!

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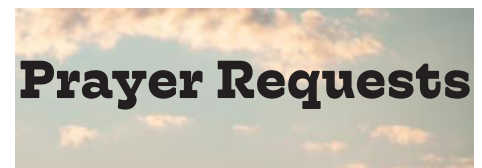
Registration is FREE, but donations will be accepted to help defray costs of meals.



Key Dates

Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1/30: Chet Lyons
- 2/3: Anissa Potter
- 2/6: Garland Mansel
- 2/18: Hannah Sallee
- 2/21: Shirley Shelton



Our homebound members include:

- Gail Byer
- Don Hornbaker
- Garland and Dena Mansel
- Don Rugan
- George and Shirley Shelton

Please keep Terry in your prayers. He is awaiting the results of tests on his back before he can undergo surgery.

Likewise Nancy, Kay, and Dixie are struggling with chronic pain. Please pray the doctors will find solutions for them quickly!