



GRACE Weekend 2024

WONDER VALLEY CHRISTIAN CAMP
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Applications must be received by October 25th

Mark your calendar for another great time of summer fun at Wonder Valley. We at GRACE Week are discovering how BIG our God is!

Mark your calendars now for **November 8th - November 10th (Friday-Sunday)**. Faculty arrive on Friday for introductions, preparations, and trainings. Campers arrive Saturday morning.

GRACE Week faculty is made up of people from all walks of life, ages 13 through adulthood. All faculty are volunteers who give of their time, love, and energy!

To provide for the safety, security and enjoyment of each camper, faculty receive information about schedule, planned activities, campers' disabilities, basic health and safety issues and detailed information about their individual camper on Friday evening, November 8th when faculty arrive. Campers range in all ages and types of disabilities, and function at different levels. Faculty members are matched with a camper upon previous experience with a person(s) having a disability, years of camp experience, and willingness. Each faculty is assigned an individual camper for each session and is responsible for the care and whereabouts of that camper the entire session. It is also each faculty's responsibility to provide as much or as little assistance to campers so that every camper is able to participate in all activities. Faculty responsibilities *may* include assisting campers with personal care such as dressing, feeding, toileting, bathing, transferring to and from wheelchair, etc.

GRACE Weekend is open to individuals of all ages with various physical and mental disabilities. GRACE Weekend provides individuals with disabilities the opportunity to experience Jesus and learn more about His Word in a fun camp environment. Campers will participate in Bible lessons, memory verses, recreational activities, songs, crafts, fun, and fellowship with old and new camp friends alike.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1) Faculty need to arrive Friday, November 8th at 6:30pm. All Faculty may leave Sunday, November 10th at 4:00pm. Faculty children are not permitted to attend the week unless given permission by the deans prior to camp.
- 3) ALL MEDICATION (over-the-counter and prescription) is to be given to the nurse upon arrival. This is for the campers' safety. Camp nurses are responsible for all campers getting their medication when they require it, therefore, faculty are responsible to see a camp nurse to take

their own medication as needed.

- 4) All faculty will follow camp schedule unless excused by the deans.
- 5) NO ONE, faculty or campers, is permitted to leave the camp property without permission of the deans.
- 6) The use or possession of alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco is strictly prohibited. Visitors are required to refrain from using such while on the camp property. Violation will result in immediate removal from camp property.
- 7) No pets are allowed.
- 8) Cell phones can be used as a camera and alarm clock. Please restrain from using your cell phone for any other purpose. Service is very limited at Wonder Valley and phone calls can be made through the camp office with permission from the deans.
- 9) Any damage to camp property will be the responsibility of those committing it.
- 10) Respect the property of others. Stay out of other people's belongings. We do not want practical jokes that will hurt and embarrass someone or damage property.
- 11) Conduct must reflect Biblical standards of purity. Promiscuity and harassment will not be tolerated.
- 12) Visitors: In order to discourage homesickness, and to keep the continuity of the weekend for the campers, the Directors have made the following guideline:
 - Unregistered campers and parents are discouraged from visiting camp during the retreat.
 - Any visitors must sign in and be approved by the deans of that event
 - Mail for campers and faculty is encouraged. Be sure and put their name on the outside of the envelope.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

1. Comfortable clothing and shoes. (Pack a few extras!)
3. All personal toiletries: toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, deodorant, hair brush and/or comb, shampoo, razor, shaving cream, etc.
4. Twin bedding and bath: pillow, pillow cover, sheets, blanket, washcloths, and towels.
5. Bible, paper, pen/pencil
6. Flashlight/bug spray
7. Money for canteen Friday night.
8. Camera & fan (optional)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

- 1) GRACE Week faculty require no previous experience, only a willing heart to serve Christ and show His love.
- 2) Recommended age for GRACE Week Faculty applicants is 13 or older.
- 3) All applications should be filled out and submitted by October 25th.. The number of accepted campers will be determined at this time based on number of faculty. If you are unable to submit your application by October 25th, please notify us by email or phone.
- 4) Anyone submitting an application after October 25th needs to contact us via e-mail or phone.
- 5) Applications must be filled out completely. This will help place you with appropriate campers and/or specific needed areas.
- 6) All GRACE Week faculty are volunteers and are not paid nor required to pay any fees. If you find you are unable to volunteer after you have sent in your application, **please contact the deans** so

arrangements can be made for an additional volunteer to fill your place.

- 7) Applicants will be notified of acceptance or if there are further questions.
- 8) Please complete the application by October 25th and send to the deans as follows:

Kelsey Bigelow
kelseyrbigelow@gmail.com
2206 Old State Rd
Henryville, IN 47126

WHAT FORMS DO I NEED?

- Wonder Valley Volunteer Background Check Form - Required 1x each year. If you filled this out in the last 12 months, you do not need to do this again!)
- GRACE Faculty Form - Required for any volunteer that did not attend GRACE Week in July 2024.
- Faculty that completed the Background Check and attended GRACE Week in July will just need to contact Kelsey or Bailey to sign up for the retreat by October 25th.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the deans:
Kelsey Bigelow at kelseyrbigelow@gmail.com or 812-595-5869
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