

CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES – ONE AT A TIME

Camp experiences bring positive change by offering:

A Christian community

- Persons are accepted and affirmed
- Friendships and feelings of belonging develop
- Persons pray for one another

Spiritual Growth

- Singing and Praying
- Worship and Bible study
- Applying Bible learnings to daily living

Skills development and fun

- Swimming and active games
- Working together with their group
- Campfires, water activities, farm animals & Horse rides with some events

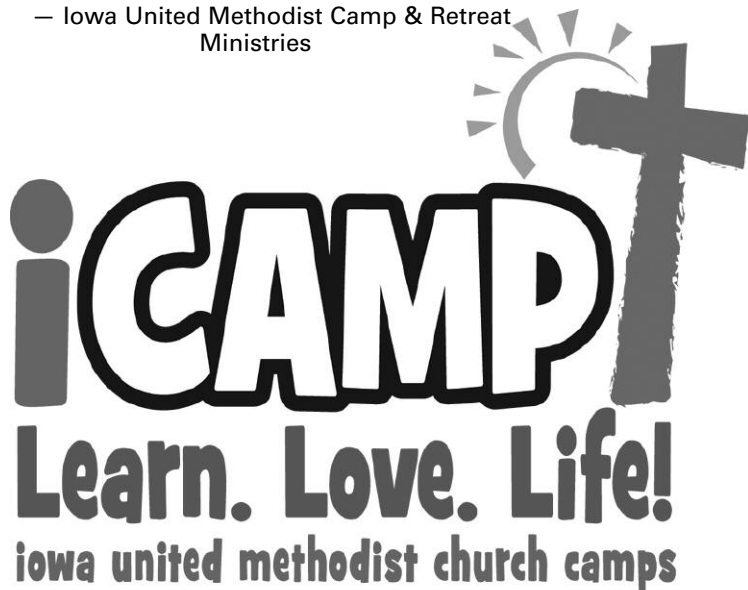
Staff who are enthusiastic & good role models

- Good listeners and group builders
- Trained in camper safety
- Gives witness to their faith in Jesus Christ

Outdoor Setting

- In the beauty and wonder of God's creation
- Experiencing the sounds and sights of the natural world
- A safe location

– Iowa United Methodist Camp & Retreat Ministries



2009

Camp Experiences Waiting For You!

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Breakthrough

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Summer Ministry Jobs Available!

Wanted: Caring Christians as counselors, nurses, cooks, lifeguards, craft leaders, office workers, canoe instructors, maintenance, photographers, teachers, horse wranglers, and pastors.

Staff need to be age 18+

For an application contact a campsite. Salaried and volunteer positions with room, board and training provided. Share your faith in action. Make a positive difference in the life of campers.

Worship Resources for Camp Sunday 2009

Camp Theme: "Breakthrough"

"As Jesus journeyed through villages, along lakesides, and down dusty roads, his life intersected with the lives of a variety of people, many who had experienced oppression, neglect, sickness, prejudice, and/or pain. And yet in story after story, the gospel writers portray encounters with Jesus that tear down walls of prejudice, offer release from bondage, provide loving attention to the forgotten, and give healing to the sick. Each encounter resulted in a breakthrough—a chance to move beyond the present situation into a life-changing experience with the healing grace and love of God. "

—quote from 2009 Curriculum: *New Earth, Breakthrough*

Call to Worship & Psalter

UM Hymnal 861 – Psalter
BOW 425

SONG SUGGESTIONS

1989 UM Hymnal

- 97 For the Fruits of This Creation
- 114 Many Gifts, One Spirit
- 118 The Care the Eagle Gives Her Young
- 120 Your Love, O God
- 263 When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee
- 277 Tell Me the Stories of Jesus
- 364 Because He Lives
- 370 Victory in Jesus
- 383 This Is a Day of New Beginnings
- 434 When the Poor Ones
- 454 Open My Eyes, That I May See
- 521 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
- 560 Help Us Accept Each Other

The Faith We Sing Songbook

- 2129 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus
- 2057 Be Still and Know I am God
- 2036 Give Thanks
- 2152 Change My Heart, O God
- 2153 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me
- 2176 Make Me a Servant
- 2131 Humble Thyself
- 2065 More Precious than Silver

SCRIPTURE: Pick from among these passages

Jesus Welcomes	Mark 10:13-16	Blesses Little Children
Jesus Listens	Mark 10:46-52	Heals Bartimaeus
Jesus Shows Compassion	Luke 5:17-26	Heals Paralyzed Man
Jesus Loves	Luke 10:25-37	Parable of Good Samaritan
Jesus Transforms	Luke 13:10-17	Heals Woman on Sabbath
Jesus Invites	Luke 14:12-24	Parable of Great Feast

Litany

O God, thank you for giving us the chance to move beyond challenging situations.

With Jesus, we experience a breakthrough.

To tear down walls of prejudice,

With Jesus, we experience a breakthrough.

To offer release from bondage,

With Jesus, we experience a breakthrough.

To provide loving attention to the forgotten,

With Jesus, we experience a breakthrough.

To give compassion to those left behind,

With Jesus, we experience a breakthrough.

Show us the way to a life changing experience with the grace and love of God,

With Jesus, we experience a breakthrough. Amen.

Prayers

- 481 UM Hymnal
- 507 BOW

Prayer of Thanks

- 551 BOW

Benediction / Blessing

- 562, 559, 564 BOW

UM Hymnal = 1989 United
BOW = United Methodist B



How you can support...

Recognize Campers!

- List their names in the church bulletin or newsletter.
- Ask them to share their experience with you when they return.
- Have them write a paragraph about their camping experience for the bulletin or newsletter.

Invite Others!

Plan your

Camp Sunday

Select a Sunday between now and April and plan a great time to get people thinking about camp.

- Worship Service Resources and bulletin insert for worship were mailed to your church or you can download them from www.iaumc.org/camps.
- Invite a guest speaker to preach and/or speak to the Sunday School, youth groups, After School program, etc. Have someone who can explain about the camp ministry and the work going on at our sites. Contact camp-sites for speakers.
- Use past campers or camper leaders for worship leaders, song leaders, or for short talks.
- Instead of singing the traditional hymns, try throwing in some camp songs for fun.
- Gear up! You and your congregation can switch from your Sunday wardrobe to camping gear: T-shirts, sweat-shirts, hiking boots, jeans or shorts. You can even bring props like a backpack, flashlight, or canteen.
- Create a Camp Worship Center with rocks, sticks, leaves, plants, tent, branches, pinecones, or shells.

If you can't pick just 1 day, pick a month and have short promotional each week.

Assisting Campsites

All our sites are dependent on the goodwill, gifts and volunteer assistance from local churches and members. Two of the traditional areas that help us immensely are:

- **Work Day** Call a campsite and schedule a workday to help maintain a safe place for God to meet with people. Help is needed for projects within a wide variety of skill levels.

- **Charitable Assistance** All our sites traditionally depend on gifts, especially for the expansion and updating of facilities. Our sites and conference center office appreciate inquiries about gifts and estate planning techniques.

Plan a Retreat or Family Reunion

Our doors are open year 'round in order to serve you. Each year, more and more groups are finding our United Methodist Camps and Retreat Centers the perfect location to hold a retreat, church meeting, family reunion, holiday party or other function. Call for more information.

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Catalogs and Brochures

We have 2009 catalogs and brochures for every family in your congregation - no charge! This information includes details on all camping events, dates, descriptions, contact information, prices and more. Call us and we'll get you as many as you need!

Fundraising

- Encourage different groups within your church (UMW, UMM, etc.) to include support for campers in their budget.
- Ask your church administrative council or board to include camperships in the annual budget.
- Serve a special "camp" meal after church and ask for a freewill donation. Other meal fundraisers could be: Spaghetti supper, potato bar, Sweetheart Banquet, Mother/Daughter Banquet, Father/Son Banquet, Pancake breakfast or supper.
- Bake sale, cookie exchange.
- Hold an "A-Thon": Bike-a-thon, skate-a-thon, sing-a-thon (use your imagination)
- Hold a service auction: clean yards or wash windows, etc.
- Car wash (do donations, or have people pledge for number of cars to be washed)
- Penny trails (each Sunday School class competes for who can collect pennies to make the longest trail).
- Take up a specific offering for camperships or for a donation to a campsite.

Get Involved!

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