



# Youth Camps For Christ, Inc.



Christmas 2016

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

*"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."*  
John 3:16

*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation. The old has passed away; behold the new has come."*  
2 Corinthians 5:17

*"Press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."*  
Philippians 3:14

**The Staff of CWR and CWS hope  
you and your family have a  
wonderful Christmas!**

## Changes to Summer Camp Registration

We are excited to be partnering with CampMinder as our new camp management system. Working with CampMinder will help us streamline the registration process for our camper families and staff.

In 2017, CWR & CWS will offer online summer camp registration and will accept online payments. Families will be able to create their own accounts and manage camper sessions and retreats, profiles, and submitted forms.

Registration forms will open online at 10 a.m. on January 30th at [campwillowrun.org](http://campwillowrun.org) and [campwillowsprings.org](http://campwillowsprings.org). System setup is underway, please visit our websites for additional updates and information.

# CampMinder

## 2017 CAMP WILLOW RUN SUMMER SCHEDULE

May 28 - June 2	Department of Juvenile Justice
June 4-10	Grades 6-8
June 11-17	Grades 6-8
June 18-24	Grades 9-12
June 25-30	Grades 6-8 (ends Friday)
July 2-8	Grades 6-8
July 9-15	Grades 9-12
July 16-22	Grades 9-12
July 23-29	Grades 6-8
July 31 - August 5	Grades 6-8 (begins Monday)



## 2017 CAMP WILLOW SPRINGS SUMMER SCHEDULE

*All sessions are for grades 3-6.*

June 11-16	5 night session
June 18-23	5 night session
June 25-30	5 night session
July 2-7	5 night session
July 9-14	5 night session
July 16-21	5 night session
July 23-28	5 night session
July 30 - August 2	3 night session (ends Wednesday)



# 2017 Retreats at CWR & CWS

## Youth Super High at CWR

March 31 - April 2, Grades 7-12

November 3-5, Grades 7-12

November 10-12, Grades 7-12

## Mother & Daughter Retreats

May 5-7, Grades 1-6 at CWS

May 19-21, Grades 1-6 at CWS

October 6-8, Grades 6-12 at CWR

## Father & Son Retreats

April 28-30, Grades 1-12 at CWR

September 22-24, Grades 1-6 at CWS

[campwillowrun.org/retreats](http://campwillowrun.org/retreats)  
[campwillowsprings.org/retreats](http://campwillowsprings.org/retreats)

# The CWS Father/Son Retreat

On September 23-25, Camp Willow Springs hosted the 2nd Annual Father/Son Retreat. The weekend was filled with games and recreation, incredible food, and great times of worship and Bible study. Jeremy Berger, of the Summit Church, led our times of Bible Study and challenged the dads and sons to grow in their relationship with Christ and each other.

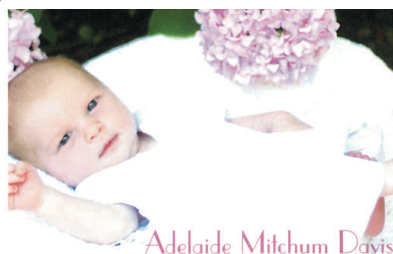
Some of the retreat highlights included: glow in the dark capture the flag, riding the red shark, building model rockets, the jumping pillow, the father/son olympics, and lots of octo-ball! We would love to have your family join us for this retreat next fall!



# Let Us Host Your Group's Retreat at CWR or CWS

Youth Camps For Christ, Inc. would love the opportunity to host your ministry's next retreat. There are still openings in the 2017 retreat season at both camps. We offer exciting recreational activities, delicious food, unique dorms, and a meeting room. Our staff want to provide a setting and experience that meets your group's needs. For available dates, pricing, and additional information, please contact us today at 252.586.4665 (CWR) or 252.586.0728 (CWS).

# Camp Welcomes Adelaide!



Adelaide Mitchum Davis

On June 7th, Adelaide Mitchum Davis was born to our Associate Director and his wife, Jeremy and Kellie Davis. We welcome Adelaide to the camp family!

# Book Summer Camp for Your Church!

*August 2-5 at CWS*  
*August 13-18 at CWR*

There is availability during August for summer church camp groups. Camp Willow Springs can host a group of up to 132 people during the week of August 2-5. Camp Willow Run can host a group of up to 220 people during the week of August 13-18.

Camp will serve as a host facility for your group and will provide meals, recreation staff, and a meeting room. Recreation opportunities include High Ropes and zip line, Climbing Wall, Giant Swing, Grotto (bouldering cave), Low Ropes, Canoeing, Archery and Riflery, Red Shark, Wakeboarding, Octoball, Jumping Pillow, and more!



# The Campbells Retire

After over two decades of faithful service at CWR, Rodney and Joyce Campbell retired September 30th. Many lives have been impacted by their dedication and work. They are loved and missed at Camp Willow Run!





# “Camp, an iPad, and Jesus”

## An Update from Youth Camps For Christ, Inc.

As we prepared to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday, my son, Thad, was given a school assignment to write a paragraph about the things for which he is thankful. Thad wrote:

“I am thankful for a lot of stuff. Here are some things. I am thankful for my family, my dog, a house, food, Camp Willow Run and Camp Willow Springs, a bed, an iPad, legos, friends, God, and Jesus. The thing I am most thankful for is God and Jesus because God made me and Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins. Those are the things I am thankful for.” – Thad Harris, 4th grade

What a great and simple reminder from a 10 year old child of giving thanks. As I reflect on 2016, I am reminded of the many areas that we have to be thankful for at Camp Willow Run (CWR) and Camp Willow Springs (CWS). God has greatly blessed this ministry by allowing us the opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with so many wonderful campers and their families. We have awesome, college-aged summer staff who faithfully serve with us each summer and help us to provide a safe, fun camp experience. I am also thankful for those who have partnered with us over the years. Each prayer partner and financial supporter has been a part of allowing us to make a difference in the lives of others.

Since the opening of CWS in 2014, we have seen wonderful growth in the number of campers and retreat guests we serve. In 2016, more than 2,600 campers attended our summer camp sessions at both CWR and CWS. Praise God! We currently have two new dormitories under construction at CWS that will be ready for use in summer 2017. These dormitories were made possible by the generous donations of two families and will increase the CWS capacity from 80 campers per session to 120 campers.

The next step in development is to continue to raise funds for the construction of the CWS Dining Hall. Currently, the CWS food service is prepared off-site. Meals are catered and served in our multi-purpose meeting room. This arrangement is working at our current capacity. As we grow, the need for a food service facility onsite will allow us to better serve our campers/guests. We recently received a gift of \$200,000 towards the CWS Dining Hall. We would love to begin construction of this building in 2017 and will need more to partner with us to make this happen.

As you prayerfully consider your end of year giving, we ask that you consider a financial gift to this ministry. All donations are tax deductible and will be used to support and expand this ministry as we serve more children, youth, and adults through our summer and retreat ministries.

Thank you again for a great year and for your support. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you in 2017!

Robbie Harris  
Director of Operations & Development



# The CWS Dining Hall



## Fun Additions at CWS!



We were excited to introduce several new recreation activities at Camp Willow Springs in 2016. The chalk wall allowed campers the opportunity to be creative in a way that all of camp could see. The outdoor basketball court enabled the campers to enjoy both fun and competitive games. The grotto, or bouldering cave, provided lots of climbing space as campers climbed horizontally around the inside and outside walls. With numerous routes and levels of difficulty, campers could set their own goals as they climbed. We look forward to campers using these activities even more in future summers!



## Two More CWS Dorms for Summer 2017



## CAMP WILLOW SPRINGS

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