

Dear Parents/Guardians,

My name is Eric Nease, and I am the Youth Minister at the Allensburg Church of Christ in Lynchburg, Ohio. My wife Tiffany and I will be leading this week of camp, Safari 1, along with a couple members of the Butler Springs summer staff. We are looking forward to spending the week with your students.

This is going to be a great week for your students. We will be cooking many of our own meals, and campers will have the opportunity to help prepare these meals. Campers will also have the opportunity to participate in a lot of fun activities, including swimming, ziplining, a giant swing, 9-square and so many more. I will be asking for the campers' input on which specific activities they would like to do, and we will schedule activities accordingly as the camp allows. All campers are encouraged to be flexible and have good attitudes.

We are going to be talking about what it means to follow Jesus during this week of camp. We will talk about how to begin a relationship with Jesus, for those who have not made that commitment yet, and what it means to have a relationship with Jesus and to follow Him. We also will be supporting a mission called Agape International Missions (AIM), whose work is to stop human trafficking (a.k.a. modern-day slavery). We will talk more about this mission during our week of camp, and we will have the opportunity to give to support this mission. I would encourage all campers to bring money to support this mission. You will not need money for anything else during this week (besides possibly extra canteen if you want it, but all campers will receive a drink and a snack for each canteen session, as that is included as part of the registration fees).

Please familiarize yourself with the camp's COVID protocols; if any doubts, feel free to ask.

A few other items that you would be encouraged to bring is as follows:

- A (paper-based) Bible and notebook (you'll need those)
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Water bottle
- Swimsuit (one-piece for girls)
- Towel
- Bedding (pillow, sheet/blanket and/or sleeping bag)
- Tennis shoes...ones that you don't mind getting dirty
- Personal hygiene items (shower stuff, deodorant, toothbrush/toothpaste, etc)
- A change of clothes for each day (a couple spares would be good as well)
- Drawstring bag to carry things in
- Mask to wear while inside buildings

A few items you SHOULD NOT bring:

- Snacks (we will provide those at canteen time)
- Electronic devices such as cell phones, tablets, video gaming devices, etc (they won't work well here anyway)
- Bad attitudes...they stink (like the socks you wore the first day of camp)

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. We will see you on June 6.

In Christ,
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