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Dear Sister Churches,

We are excited again this year as camp time approaches! Our camp dates this year are July 31-August 4, 2017 and our speakers will be Bro. Shawn Hammontree and Bro. Jordan Bowen from Conway, AR. The worship will again be led by The Harper Family! Crossroads, Central Baptist Church youth band, from Conway, AR will also be there to do a concert on Thursday evening. Our theme this year is "God's Masterpiece" taken from Ephesians 2:10 *"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."*

The new girls dorm is currently being built and should be ready for this year's camp week. Plus the new train trail has been forged around the property line.

We would like to thank each church for their cooperation last year during the registration process. It went better than we had anticipated. So, again this year, we will pre-register with a few changes that will hopefully make the process even better. Enclosed in your packets there is a form to put each person's name, age and where on the camp ground each person is staying. This should speed up the registration process as you enter the campground and give a more accurate count of who is staying in the dorm.

The deadline to register and submit T-shirt orders is by June 19, 2017. Enclosed in this packet you will find a Registration Form, Camper List, T-shirt order form (camp and DEW), the Camp Rules & Regulations, the Activity Participation Agreement, the Schedule for the week, the menu, and the Child Protection Policy. All of these items may be found on the BMA of MO website at [www.bmamissouri.org](http://www.bmamissouri.org)

Please complete one (1) Registration form per church as accurate as you can as bunk space is limited. We will be assigning dorms again this year and we will do our best to put your church in the dorm that you are accustomed to. This is also true for the T-shirt (camp and DEW) orders. We cannot guarantee you a T-shirt if you do not preorder one by June 19. We are also asking that each church send one (1) check for everything. If you have any questions filling out the forms, please do not hesitate to call Laura Polk at (573)380-7806.

Those that are 18 and over **must** complete the Adult Screening (camper or sponsor) that is located on the website. This is now an annual part of coming to camp. Once this form is filled out on-line, you have given us permission to perform a background check on you. This must be completed prior to coming to camp as there is no internet connection at camp. If this is not completed prior to coming to camp, due to insurance we cannot permit you to stay on the grounds overnight. The deadline for completing this is July 27, 2017.

Camp Garwood is a free camp, but as you know, nothing in life is free. There is a \$8.50 charge for each Adult Screening processed and this will be charged to camp. If you choose not to reimburse camp for this charge, the money will be taken away from other much needed additions. Also, the cost per camper is approximately \$50.00. This amount covers eleven (11) nutritious meals, utilities, recreation and a bed for a week. Any funds sent to camp to help offset this cost is greatly appreciated and will help to keep our camp a Free Camp. The cook is requesting that each church bring at least two (2) desserts. These will be served with the meals in the Dining Hall.

As you enter the campgrounds, we will again have the checkpoint. This is to ensure the safety of your children on the grounds. **YOU MUST STOP.** While at the checkpoint you will receive your dorm assignments, T-shirts (camp & DEW) and wrist bands. This will complete your registration. Enjoy your camp week!

Thank you for helping us run your camp more efficiently.

Your Brother In Christ,

Chris Polk  
Camp Superintendent