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RE: TABARA ORTODOXA PENTRU COPII

Dragi parinti,

Va anuntam ca Tabara Ortodoxa pentru Tineri din anul acesta, se va desfasura in perioada 26 Iunie- 01 Iulie 2022, la Aldersgate Camps and Retreat Center. Este o oportunitate unica pentru fiecare tanar sa se apropie de Dumnezeu, de Biserica Ortodoxa, precum si de traditiile si cultura romaneasca . Va invitam sa le daruiti copiilor acest cadou unic de a lega noi prietenii si de a fi binecuvantati de Dumnezeu prin intermediul taberei.

Pretul taberei pentru acest an este \$300.00 de copil/persoana. Familiile cu copii mai multi vor avea o reducere. Primul copil va plati pretul intreg de \$300.00, al doilea copil \$280.00, al treilea copil \$260.00, al patrulea copil \$240.00, al cincilea copil \$220.00.

Cazurile sociale vor fi analizate de catre Consiliul Parohial si se va lua o hotarare in consecinta. Pentru copiii sub 2 ani participarea este gratuita.

Pentru o completa informare, va rugam sa cititi formele incluse in aceasta scrisoare, sa le completati si sa le aduceti la Oficiul Parohiei noastre.

Dumnezeu sa va binecuvinteze alaturi de toti cei dragi!

P.S. Aceasta tabara se adreseaza tuturor copiilor indiferent de varsta. Vor fi impartiti in grupuri corespunzatoare.

Cu dragoste in Hristos Domnul,

Pr. Gabriel Agoston

“Copilul este o făptură biblică originară, este o făptură a vieții neîntinate, este o floare deschisă luminii, este un îndemn la simplitate și frumusețe. In el vorbește frântura de cer data omului odată cu începutul. Copilul este un mare dar al vieții noastre pe pământ: aduce cu el inocenta, drăgălășenia și bunătatea. Copilul îndulcește viața noastră atât de amară; făptura sa mica cu aripi la suflet ne dă multe învățăminte. Un scriitor a spus odată: “Zâmbetul copilului pentru mama este ca o rugăciune pentru Dumnezeu”. In preajma copilului stăruie mereu o atmosferă de lumină și frumusețe!” (Ernest Bernea)

ORTHODOX YOUTH CAMP 2022

We are looking to offer to the campers, 5 days of recreation and happiness in a natural setting, teaching them the Orthodox Christian Faith, the Romanian traditions and culture, and strengthening the friendship among them.

The Orthodox Youth Camp 2022 will take place at Aldersgate Camps & Retreat Center, nestled among 38 forested acres in the heart of Oregon's beautiful Willamette Valley. It is the ideal location for our camp, offering 3 daily meals for us, classrooms for educational purposes, beautiful and comfortable cabins, as well as beautiful natural surroundings.

For more information about *the location*, please visit: <http://www.aldersgateretreat.com>

Who may attend?

All the children and teenagers are welcome; they will be separated according to their age levels. Younger kids with parents are welcome, but remember that each person must pay (exception are children under 3 years old)

Camp Fees:

\$ 300.00 per child.

This price includes everything needed for the camp: food & board, educational materials and other expenses. We are offering financial assistance. Please contact us for more information.

Do you want to volunteer?

Please fill out the STAFF Application send it to us, and we will contact you. Thank You!

For special situations If your child does not want to be left alone overnight, or if he/she needs you around for the duration of the camp, you can visit him/her anytime during the camp. Another alternative is to bring him/her in the morning and pick him/her up in the evening. Otherwise, for every person who will be on the ground for a longer period, we need to pay the cost of food and board.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

By our signatures below, we certify that we are the parents or guardians of _____, a minor child, and we have the authority and intention to bind ourselves and our child by this legal agreement. We agree that our child may attend Camp, and that our child may participate fully in all activities of Camp, including athletic activities and field trips.

Each of us understands that attending a Summer Camp in a country setting involves possible risks of serious injury. Open and uneven terrain, stairways, building fires, recreational sports and swimming accidents, and adults and child campers and staff may accidentally or deliberately pose or create hazards of injury or death including dangers not stated above.

We understand that the camp Sponsors have made reasonable provision for campers' safety, but nonetheless the risk of injury does exist. We and each of us agree to assume all risk of personal injury or death or other physical or emotional ailment to our child and ourselves arising in any way from our child's attendance at Camp.

We have each read this agreement and understand it. We understand and agree that this Waiver and Release shall be interpreted according to the laws of the state of Washington and Oregon. All the language in this document is contractual. We each give our consent that our child named above attend Camp.

At the end of Camp, on Friday 01 JULY 2022 our child named above is to be released into the care of the following person, who will pick up our child between the hours of 09:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on that day:

First name: _____ **Last:** _____

Relationship to Student: _____

IN WITNESS OF THE ABOVE AGREEMENT, we have signed our names this _____ day of _____, 2022.

FATHER SIGNATURE: _____

MOTHER SIGNATURE: _____

WITNESS: _____

WITNESS: _____

**THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING FORM
FILL IN ALL BLANKS AND READ IT BEFORE SIGNING
KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR RECORD**

CAMP BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES, REGULATIONS AND DRESS CODE FOR PARENTS AND CAMPER

Please note that this form must be read and signed by both the camper and parent. Applications will not be considered if this form is not signed and returned.

Saint Mary Romanian Orthodox Church is the organizer for this Camp. Thus, behavior in conformity with the ideals of Orthodox Christianity is always the norm for all activities. The dormitory should be kept neat and presentable by campers. Please stress to your child(ren) to be respectful towards others and towards camp property.

Unacceptable Behavior:

A student may be sent home at parents' expense if he/she does not participate in all activities, does not obey camp rules, does not follow directions of its staff, or displays any of the behaviors listed below. No refunds will be given.

The following behaviors will result in immediate dismissal from Camp:

- Use or possession of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs.
- Possession of knives, weapons, or other contraband articles.
- Lewd, immoral, or inappropriate behavior, including possession of pornography.
- Inciting others to disobey rules or policies of Camp, or the directions of its staff.
- Disrespectful, aggressive, or violent language or behavior, towards another camper or staff member.
- Theft or vandalism of camp property.
- Leaving the Campgrounds at any time, or the dormitory during lights out.

Any other inappropriate behavior, such as disrespectful behavior in chapel or class, will result in warnings and may also lead to dismissal.

Items not permitted, in additions with those listed above:

- Food, candy, or drunk in the dormitory, as these can attract mice and insects.
- iPods, radios, stereos, boom boxes, Walkman tape players, walkie-talkies, televisions, or any electronic appliances are not allowed at Camp. This will be strictly enforced
- Cell phones may not be used during camp. Usage will be permitted only with permission on a case-by-case basis. Cell phones will be kept by the camp staff unless permitted to use. We reserve the right to search luggage, lockers, and bed areas at any time.

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PORTLAND, OREGON**

DRESS CODE

All students shall observe the following guidelines for dress. If there is any question about the appropriateness of your clothing, it probably should be left at home. Use modesty as your guideline, as appropriate for Orthodox Christians and dignity.

For chapel and classes:

Boys: collared shirts and dress pants (Dockers, etc.; **NO** jeans).

Girls: Skirts and casual dresses suitable (length of dresses/skirts must be below the knee).

The following attire is NOT PERMITTED at Camp:

- Clothing that is judged by the staff to be too short, too tight, too revealing, or that exposes cleavage, abdomen, or underclothing.
- **Tank tops.**
- **Spaghetti straps.**
- **Ripped tops or ripped shorts.**
- Items displaying derogatory language, crude pictures, or other questionable decoration.
- Immodest bathing suits (one-piece for girls only; **NO** Speedos). Campers who violate this requirement may not participate in water activities.
- **BRA SIGHT UNDER THE CLOTHES.**
- **CROP TOP (BELLYBUTTON SIGHT).**
- **SHORT SKIRT OR DRESS.**
- **TOO SHORT SHORTS.**

PLEASE WEAR DECENT CLOTHING. THANK YOU.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE POLICIES AND DRESS CODE AND AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THEM:

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Parents please note: in signing below, you are agreeing that your child(ren) will adhere to the rules and guidelines of Camp. Your endorsement is your consent for inspection for/of prohibited articles. Your signature also affirms that you have gone over these items with your child(ren).

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PERSONAL ARTICLES CHECKLIST FOR CAMP

- One set of single-size bed sheets and pillowcases.
- One pillow and blanket
- Towels and washcloths (at list 2 of each)
- Toothbrush/toothpaste, comb/brush, soap, shampoo, deodorant, Kleenex, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat.
- Laundry bag (for dirty laundry).
- Underwear, socks.
- Pajamas/sleep clothes, bathrobe.
- Shoes (athletic & dress), slippers, shower shoes
- Sweater or jacket, raincoat (suggested).
- Long pants/jeans, shorts (walking length preferred, but in NO CASE shorter than fingertips)
- T-shirts, blouses, sweatshirts, athletic clothing (boys may not play sports shirtless)
- Modest bathing suit (one-piece for girls, NO Speedos). Campers who violate this requirement may not participate in water activities.
- Medication (required) over the counter or prescription, band-aids, insect repellent, etc.

Telephones and Email: There is no email or internet service for students at Camp. Telephone calls to and from the Camp will be allowed only in case of an EMERGENCY. Cell phones are not to be used at camp. Usage will be permitted only with permission on a case-by-case basis. This will be strictly regulated.

Medicines: all medicines must be given to the camp staff upon arrival at Camp. The staff will oversee all medication during Camp. Students who take medication for ADD during the school year must take their medications while at Camp.

Personal food and drink: students should not bring, purchase, or receive food, candy, snacks or beverages, as these attract mice and insects in the dorms. Our capable cooks will provide plenty of food.

Personal Valuables: items such as expensive jewelry, clothing, or electronic equipment are safer if left at home. Camp will not be responsible for missing or stolen items.

Personal Electronic Items: Strictly prohibited are iPods, mp3 players, radio/cassette/CD players, stereos, walkmans, televisions and any electronic appliances. Use of cell phone, while not prohibited, will be strictly regulated. Cell phones will be kept by the staff unless permitted. We recommend that these be left at home, as well.

Closing program: On Saturday, Camp will close with a Divine Liturgy at 08:30AM. Students must be picked up no later than 11:00 AM.

2022 STAFF Application

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Birth date _____

Driver's License Number _____ State Exp Date _____

Sex **M** **F** Marital Status *single* *married* *divorced* *widowed*

Name of Parish You attend _____

How often do you attend church services *Rarely* *Monthly* *Weekly*

How often do you participate in Confession and Communion?
Never *Yearly* *Occasionally* *Regularly*

EMPLOYMENT & for how long (if it is less than 3 years, please provide a record of employment for the past 3 years) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT (Who should we contact in case of an emergency)

Name _____ Relation _____

Phone Number _____

For which position are you applying?

Teacher _____

General Staff _____