



Community of Christ

Inland West USA Mission Center

February 14, 2017

Greetings,

Your child is invited to join the Northwest Delegation in attending Spectacular (SPEC) 2017. The Northwest Delegation will have youth from Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, and Utah, as well as some friends from other states that might join us. SPEC is an exciting 7-day Youth Camp at Graceland University in Lamoni, IA, that features opportunities for worship, leadership, music, sports, and the arts. Several special guests will also participate in the week's festivities. SPEC is a great opportunity to meet and create friendships with other youth and staff from around the United States and Canada. The theme for SPEC this year is "HARMONY". SPEC is open to boys and girls during the immediate summer after they have completed each of the school years 9-12. (Yes, they can go four summers in a row!!)

Prior to going to Graceland for SPEC, the Northwest Delegation will be spending 3 days in Independence, MO. While there, we will be staying at the Family Life Center. We will spend our time in worship, getting to know each other, practicing team sports and quiz bowl, touring the Community of Christ International Headquarters, attending a Daily Prayer for Peace at the Temple, and having fun at the Worlds of Fun amusement park.

The total cost of the 10-day trip will be \$550.00 per youth. This includes airfare. We can offer this cost, thanks to the support of the YES Fund. Each camper will need to fill out a YES fund application (in addition to the SPEC registration form) to illustrate how they will contribute within their congregation or community to the covering of the airfare cost. The total cost will include: Camp registration and a camp shirt, meals, lodging, delegation shirts, and all transportation (airline luggage fees for 1 bag are included). The campers will need to bring money for 3-4 fast food meals as well as bring their own souvenir spending money.

We will be flying to Kansas City on Wednesday July 19, 2017 and will return on Saturday July 29, 2017. We will communicate closer to the travel date the actual flight times, airline itinerary, packing lists and other helpful information. Please let me know if your child will be attending (even before you send me your registration), as I want to make flight arrangements sooner than later.

There is information online on Facebook if you join the "SPEC – NORTHWEST DELEGATION" Group, or on the Inland West <http://www.cofchrist-iwest.org/spec.html>. You can also visit the Spectacular page via the Community of Christ site at <https://spec-cofchrist.org/>

Payment is due in two installments: \$300.00 by April 15 and \$250.00 by May 31 to ensure your participation in SPEC 2017. Of course, full payment is welcome before the final deadline, as we are trying to make flight arrangements as soon as funds are available. Checks should be made payable to "Community of Christ" and mailed to Lynn Chapman at the address listed on the following page.

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To support the payment of a camper, or request financial assistance, please contact Lynn Chapman so we can all be on the same page to meet everyone's needs. We truly want everyone that wishes to attend to be there!

DUE DATES:

****April 15, 2017**

- **Registration form: Please fill out neatly and completely– which can be found using the following link: <http://www.cofchrist.org/common/cms/resources/Documents/SPEC-Camper-RegForm.pdf>**
- **YES Fund Application: <http://www.cofchrist-iwest.org/spec.html>**
- **Copy of health insurance card for your child (both sides)**
- **...and first payment of \$300.00.**

****May 31, 2017**

- **Second payment of \$250.00.**

Please make all checks payable to “**Community of Christ**”. Send all checks, copy of insurance card, registration forms, YES Fund application by the above due dates to:

Lynn Chapman
827 W Frederick Ave.
Spokane, WA 99205

If you need me to send out registration forms, YES fund applications, or have any questions--my contact information is:

Email: lkc5309@gmail.com

Phone: 509-990-7333

We are looking forward to a great trip and an awesome time at SPEC. You really don't want to miss it!!

In the Spirit of SPEC,

NW SPEC DELEGATION LEADERSHIP TEAM:

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