

Camp Bennett for Children

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



Below are commonly asked questions regarding summer camp for children. If you cannot find the answer you're looking for, please contact our Camp Director, Michael Tate at (301) 327-3313.

What are the ages for summer camp and how many attend in a week?

Camp Bennett is for children ages 8-12. Weekly a new group of children, 25 boys and 25 girls participate.

If my child is 13 years old or older can they attend Camp Bennett? Unfortunately, children ages 13 or older cannot participate in Camp Bennett. Please check out this website for alternative options: <https://www.ccca.org/assnfe/companysearch.asp>.

Can my child participate in a second week of camp? Children are not permitted to attend a second week.

How long is the camp? Children attend Monday afternoon –Friday afternoon, one week. It is an overnight camp.

How do I register for camp?

Print the application at WWW.CAMPBENNETT.ORG or email campbennett@missiondc.org to request an application be sent to you. Applications are also available at two CENTRAL UNION MISSION locations, 65 Massachusetts Ave. NW, 20001 and 3194 Bladensburg Rd. NE, 20018.

Is there a deadline for registration?

There is no specific deadline for registering, however it is first come, first served. An application will not be confirmed if anything is missing. We do not hold or reserve slots. We will do our best to keep the website up-to-date and post which sessions have been filled.

Can I fax/email the application and pay later? You need to turn EVERYTHING in at the same time. Applications are accepted by mail or you can drop them off Mon-Fri at Family Ministry Center 3194 Bladensburg Rd. NE, Washington DC 20018 between 9:00am-4:00pm.

Do you accept credit cards? The forms of payment accepted are cash or money order.

Is my money refundable should I need to cancel? Unfortunately, camp payments are NOT refundable.

Can I go to camp with a friend?

Each camper may request one friend to be in the same cabin. Indicate the roommate preference on the camper's application. Both campers must request each other to ensure that this request is met. We do ask that you limit requested friend to one person to foster the best camp experience for all involved.

How do I know if my camper has been accepted?

Once the application is processed, a letter or email will be sent to you confirming participation in Camp Bennett. The letter will include the assigned camp week and what to bring.

Who are your counselors?

Our counselors are all young adults who are committed to the Christian faith, enjoy working with youth, and are at least 18 years of age. Many are returning staff or were campers themselves. All counselors participate in intensive training at the beginning of the summer. A national criminal background check is conducted on all our staff.

What happens on a typical day at camp?

Because we have such variety, there really is no such thing as a "typical" day. However, to give you just an idea, please see the schedule on the website, www.campbennett.org.

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How can I contact my child at camp? At any time you can reach the Camp Director, Michael Tate, by calling (301) 327-3313. We assure you the campers will be safe and enjoy their stay at Camp Bennett. If there are any emergencies you will be notified immediately.

How does my camper get to Camp Bennett?

Campers should arrive at the Family Ministry Center, 3194 Bladensburg Rd. NE, Suite B, Washington, DC 20018 by 2:00pm on the Monday of their camp session and will travel by bus to Camp Bennett. Dinner will be provided.

Can I drop my child off at Camp Bennett? Yes, but please let us know and arrive at 5:00 pm to check in with the nurse.

What time is pick-up on the last day of camp?

Campers return to the Family Ministry Center, 3194 Bladensburg Rd. NE, Suite B, Washington, DC 20018, at 2:30pm on Friday of their camp session. Please be on time.

What do I bring with me?

Check out the "What to Bring List" on our website, www.campbennett.org.