## **ABOUT RULES**

We trust the Lord that rules do not become an issue this week. One of the great opportunities we have is to model before the campers Biblical Truth: commandments and guidelines can be followed from a positive understanding. In so doing, we find that rules actually give us freedom to be the people God created us to be.

Remember, holiness does not come from rule keeping but through a relationship with God. Nothing you could ever do could make God love you more!

When you find a camper doing something that risks his/her life or the life of another camper, stop them immediately. If you find a camper who is in error in behavior, clothing, or attitude, please find the camper's counselor and inform him/her and let the counselor handle the situation. We are not asking anyone to look the other way or to be policemen and reporters. Instead, we want to lead by being followers of Christ; by being an example of restraint, love, and graciousness. We need to choose our battles carefully while at the same time maintaining order.

When there is a problem to deal with, do so on an individual basis. If one camper is carrying around a radio it's not necessary to make an announcement to all the campers that radios are not allowed; simply approach the one camper and the matter is handled.

## **BASIC CAMP RULES**

- 1. No one (including staff) is to leave camp without signing out at the office and signing in upon returning. Campers must make advance arrangements for leaving camp including written permission except in cases of emergency. Campers leaving for good MUST go through the check out process with the dorm leader, director and office staff.
- 2. Pranks are to be discouraged and stopped by staff
- **3.** All campers are to be present at all classes, services, and organized activities unless excused by the camp nurse.
- 4. Lights out is for everyone that includes staff!
- 5. Malicious destruction of property will be paid for by the responsible party.
- 6. Keep all buildings and grounds clean.
- 7. Cell phones are permitted but will be confiscated if abused. No other electronic/technical gear should be necessary and will be confiscated.
- 8. No narcotics, alcoholic beverages, vaping cartridges or fireworks allowed.
- 9. CLOTHING GUIDELINES
  - Modest clothing must be worn at all times. Clothing that advertises alcohol or tobacco products is not acceptable. If improper attire is worn the camper will be asked to change.
  - <u>**Girls:**</u> Tube tops or shirts with "spaghetti straps" are not acceptable. Girls are asked to wear modest, one-piece swim suits. If only a two-piece suit is available, a dark cover-up shirt is required.
  - **<u>Guys</u>**: While at camp, you must wear a shirt at all times, including athletic activities (except in the pool area). Boys are asked to wear boxer style swim trunks.
  - All shorts or pants that have writing or print on the seat may not be worn. Lounge wear/ pajamas may not be worn outside of the dorms.
  - Grace and loving conversations can go a long way. We must strive to not be dogmatic in our approach but to approach conversations in love and kindness.

## Anyone found in *flagrant* violation of the above rules may be expelled from camp and sent home at the expense of the parent or guardian.