

Camp Cherokee Registration Packet

Camp Cherokee
First Baptist Church, Cleveland, TN



2021 First Baptist Church Member Free Stay Registration

*'Free Stay' is for First Baptist Church Members only.
(This does not include family reunions, non-church members or guests over 18)*

Registration and Information (2021 Camp Season)

Camp Cherokee is a beautiful, rustic facility located on the backwaters of Sylco Inlet of Parksville Lake in the Cherokee National Forest Ocoee Region of Polk County, Tennessee. *First Baptist Church of Cleveland* has operated the camp since 1977. We pray that all who use the camp will sense *Christ's Presence and Power* on their lives. It is our desire that all who come will find the hope, peace, faith and love that only Christ can give in their lives. Our mission is to point all to Christ as they experience Camp Cherokee.

Please direct all inquires and questions to:

First Baptist Church Recreation Ministry

Attn: Rev. Rusty Asble

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Cleveland, TN 37320

423.709.9100 ext 190 office

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Check us out on Facebook at: *Camp Cherokee of First Baptist Church, Cleveland TN*

By your registration to attend Camp Cherokee you are signing that you have read all current information and guidelines, will adhere to those guidelines and share them with your participants, to assist everyone in having a great experience at Camp Cherokee.



Dear Families,

Thank you for your interest in Camp Cherokee. The attached packet has vital information for you related to your desire to stay at Camp Cherokee. Please read through it carefully so you will be fully aware of needs, expectations and guidelines for each family. Many of these items are necessary to complete your registration.

One of the great benefits of membership at First Baptist Church is that we offer to you for this year the use of Camp for an overnight stay free-of-charge for housing. If you use fuel, boat shuttle or leave trash there will a charge for those expendable items. We are in hopes that this will be a blessing to you and your family as you participate.

Vital Informational Need to Complete Registration:

Returned Completed Registration Form

- Full Contact Information.
- Requested Arrival/Departure Dates/Times.
- Your Decision of How-to Arrive.
- Cabin Desired
- Liability and Wavier Information/Signature
- Insurance Information.
- Special Note and Understanding of Facilities and Environment.
- Leaders Signature That Packet Has been Read and Will Be Followed.

When these items are in, a confirmation phone call will be made. Please do not delay in returning your reservation information.

If you would like to go to Camp for the day, please still call us to schedule a day and times. Many times the Camp Caretaker is not on site. Drop in visits are discouraged without prior confirmation with the Recreation Ministry Office.

As always please feel free to contact us with any questions or assistance that may be needed at 423.709.9100.

Taking Faith To The Field,

Rusty

Rev. Rusty Asble
Pastor of Recreation Administration

First Baptist Church Member 'Free Stay' Registration Form

FBC Member Individual/Family (Overnight/Weekend Stay)

Registration is guaranteed when this registration form is on-file and confirmation of date is confirmed by a call back from the Recreation Ministry Office.

FBC Member Individual/Family Name _____

Complete Address _____

Cell Number _____ **Work Number** _____

Home Number _____ **Email Address** _____

Requested Camp Dates (m/d) _____ / _____ **through** _____ / _____

Time Of Arrival _____ **Time Of Departure** _____

How Will You Arrive At Camp?

Personal Boats _____ Drive In _____ FBC Shuttle Boat (fee per trip*) Time _____

*A trip is defined leaving and returning with or without someone.

Total Number and Names Of Campers: _____ **Total Number**

FBC Members Names: _____ **Non-FBC Member (Name and Age...\$10.00 per/person 18 y/o and older)**

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Cabin (s) Desired: _____

Special Use Note: Many times during the peak seasons and non-peak seasons camp change over is quick from group to group. Due to the use by many large groups, camp use may be shared with Advance Teams that come in to set up for their coming group. Many times this results in sharing facilities (storage, refrigeration/freezer space, etc). Please be courteous with others in facility use.

FBC Member Individual and Family Liability Waiver: (Completed by Individual/Family Member Responsible)

I/we, _____ the below signed Individual/Family Leader, hereby release and understand that my/our attendance/participation/involvement at the First Baptist Church Camp Cherokee is by my/our own will and desire. I/we understand that in any outdoor/camping activity (involving weather, unknown wildlife, overnight stays, fishing, boating, hiking, swimming, camp fires and being around open water, etc.) brings hazards that could possibly cause physical injury, illness and/or death due to seen and unseen experiences. I/we release all liability against and will not hold liable First Baptist Church of Cleveland, Inc., its ministers, staff, volunteers, deacons, trustees, sponsors and ministry leaders if any/all situations should occur. By signing, I/we am stating that I/we do have adequate health insurance/medical coverage that will be my primary coverage, realizing I/we am financially responsible for any injury or accident.

Name of FBC Member Individual/Family Leader _____ Date _____

Insurance Information:

I, _____, realize that my personal insurance will be the primary insurance used for medical and/or accident situations with participants from my family and guests.

Insurance Name _____

Policy Number/Group Number _____

Insurance Contact Number _____

Please Read *Camp Cherokee Use Guidelines* Now - before signing.

I/we, _____, have read and agree to abide by, share with my family/guests/individuals and enforce the ***Camp Cherokee Use Guidelines*** during my Individual/Family stay.

Individual /Family Signature _____ **Date** _____

This sheet must be turned in to the Camp Cherokee/ Recreation Ministry Office for registration and confirmation availability

Special Note On Facilities and Environment

Camp Cherokee has many open air roofed and screened facilities. These areas are cleaned multiple times prior to Camp opening and weekly by groups during/after each groups use. Due to being open air, there is a consistent issue with dust, pollen, other air borne debris, moisture and critters. These do make there way into structures depending on what is blooming, blowing and hatching that week/day. Though every effort is made to control such situations many times nature brings instances that are beyond our control. Thank you for your understanding of such situations. We ask for your assistance in communicating this, as well as ask your participants and group helpers to clean/prepare areas as necessary that they may see issues with.

Please check box: I understand the above Special Note On Facilities and Environment.

For Office Use Only

Registration Received Date _____

Staff Taking Reservation _____

Confirmation By:

_____**Phone Call: By** _____ **When** _____

_____**Card Sent: By** _____ **When** _____

_____**Immediate Confirmation (last minute)**

Other:

_____**Guest/Non-church member #** _____ **x 10.00 =** _____

Special Notes For Camp Caretaker:

Notes

This sheet must
be turned in to the
Camp Cherokee/
Recreation Ministry
Office with
deposit attached.

Camp Cherokee Facilities

In General:

Camp Cherokee has facilities for up to 228 people. Below are areas of availability.

The Cabins:

There are 3 cabins that have bathrooms and air conditioners. We refer to these cabins as the Dew Drop Inn, Cook's Cabin and Preacher's Cabin. We have 8 open-air cabins in two separate areas for boys (lower) and girls (upper) for a total 16 cabins.

Cabin	Number Of Beds	Bathroom	Air Conditioned
Dew Drop Inn (Max 6)	4 Bunks and Sleeper Sofa	Yes	Yes
Cook's Cabin (Max 7)	7 Bunks	Yes	Yes
Preacher's Cabin (Max 7)	7 Bunks	Yes	Yes
16 Open Air Cabins (Boys and Girls Areas)	Girls 13Bunks/Cabin Boys 13 Bunks/Cabin	Shower Houses Only	Ceiling Fans Only

The Kitchen/Dining Hall:

Camp Cherokee has an industrial kitchen/dining hall for use by all. If you have exclusively rented the camp, the kitchen/dining hall is all yours. If you do not exclusively have the camp...it is a shared space. Please be courteous to all who use this area by cleaning up after your group. Please do your own dishes/pots/pans, clean all preparation surfaces, stoves/ovens, clean tables, sweep/mop the floors after each use and take out your own trash.

The kitchen has for your use...

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Utensils | <input type="checkbox"/> Pans/Pots | <input type="checkbox"/> Serving Bowls | <input type="checkbox"/> Silverware | <input type="checkbox"/> Dishwasher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Machine | <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-in Cooler | <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-in Freezer | <input type="checkbox"/> Trash Bags | <input type="checkbox"/> Trash Containers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mops/Brooms | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning Supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> Storage Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Dish Towels | <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee Pots |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oven Mitts | <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Oven/Stoves | <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Igloo Drink Coolers | |

The Pavilion:

The Pavilion is an open air meeting place bordering Sylco Inlet on Parksville Lake. This area has electricity, ceiling fans, portable wooden stage, and metal chairs for your use. This is a great place for Worship Services and large group meetings.

Special Note: Due to electricity restrictions and inadequate wiring for *Specialty Lighting*, the pavilion is not prepared to handle these demands. Therefore, this type of lighting is *prohibited*.

The Waterfront:

Please see swimming/waterfront guidelines for requirements and general use directions.

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Camp Cherokee Individual and Family Use Guidelines

A. Enforcement of guidelines.

Guidelines are set for participant protection and group direction. Please assist us in keeping to our purpose and mission by taking the lead in sharing and complying to our guidelines. When necessary, the Camp Director or Camp Caretaker will enforce such guidelines by going to the Family of the individual for assistance with the issue.

B. General Directions. (If clarification of general directions is needed - please ask.)

Arrival

Arrival time is 2:00pm the first day you reserved. You will not be allowed in Camp any earlier unless prior special arrangements have been made through the Recreation Ministry Office by the Associate Pastor of Recreation Administration.

All Participants must check-in with Camp Caretaker upon arrival.

Alcohol and Tobacco

Substance Note: The use, in any form, of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, electronic cigarettes are strictly forbidden at/on Camp Cherokee property.

Canoes, Kayaks and SUP Boards

Waterfront equipment is available for use. Lifejackets are furnished for your safety and use for all occupants using the equipment. Students 15 and under are not allowed use of canoes/kayaks. SUP Boards unless with a supervised adult on the water. All equipment must be returned to the proper storage areas. Use is at the risk of the user. No use after dusk is permitted.

Clean Up

'Leave it better than you found it' is the motto for Camp Cherokee and guidelines for users of Camp facilities. Please take responsibility for cleaning all facilities prior to departure. These areas include: kitchen, pantry, coolers, freezers, all bathrooms/bathhouses, shower areas, cabins, grounds, waterfront, general use areas, recreation area grounds, trash cans, etc. You are responsible for clean-up. *A charge of \$100.00/hr will be assessed for failure to clean facilities properly.*

Clothing

As a ministry, we request that modest clothing be an utmost factor during participation at Camp. Immodest clothing (halter, low-cut, tight tops, short shorts, two piece bathing suits, risqué suits, etc) or clothing with alcohol, tobacco, vulgar logos are not permitted.

Damage and Destruction

Each individual, family or group is responsible for damage or destruction that may be caused during your stay. Charges for damages will be added to your bill accordingly.

Departure

Departure time is 12:00pm of the last day you reserved. The Group leader is required to check out with the Camp Caretaker. Stays, in cabins and facilities, past the allotted time will result in a \$50.00 hour late checkout fee. A walk through is required before departing by the Camp Caretaker and Responsible Person to assist in eliminating any miscommunication on how things were left. The Caretaker and Responsible Person will go over and sign the Checkout Sheet so that no extra charges will appear on the bill that you were not already expecting. *If Camp is left unclean an additional charge of \$100.00 per hour is assessed For Failure To Clean.*

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Dining Hall and Kitchen

Registered guests renting cabins are entitled to use the kitchen and dining hall facilities. Each group /family is responsible for cleaning the facility they use. At times, usually weekends, the kitchen and dining hall will be a shared space.

Firearms, Fireworks, Paintball Guns

Please do not bring these items to camp.

Furniture, Beds, Mattresses

Camp items **MUST NOT** be moved from any Cabin, the Dining hall, or Pavilion unless the Camp Director or Camp Caretaker gives permission. If an extra cot is needed please ask the Camp Caretaker upon arrival.

Motorized Vehicles

Vehicles are to be used on gravel roads only for drop-off and pick-up of items. There is to be NO travel crossing or parking on grass areas. Vehicles are to be parked in designated parking areas while not in use (near entrance).

Music

All music should be of the highest Christian standards.

Open Flames

There are to be NO open flames anywhere in camp except in the designated fire pit area. This area is available for group use. Firewood is at the responsibility of the group. National Forest guidelines do not allow trees to be cut down. At the Camp Fire Area no fire is to be stacked higher than 3' and must remain within the fire ring. No partially burnt logs are to be left. Ask the Camp Director or Camp Caretaker for options available for fire wood. Groups must bring their own chainsaw. Again, please no smoking on Camp Cherokee premises.

Pavilion

Electrical power is limited. The use of specialty lighting is prohibited. Metal chairs and 4 wooden 4x8 stage pieces are available for your use and must be stacked accordingly to the side when your camp is complete.

Pets Or Animals

No pets or animals are allowed at Camp Cherokee (grounds or facilities) during the Camp season. Service dogs are permitted when necessary.

Power Boats and Personal Watercraft

Power boats and personal watercraft are welcomed at Camp Cherokee. Boat launching is available at all Forest Service approved public launching areas off Hwy 64. There are no boat/watercraft launching facilities at Camp. Operators are requested to observe the "NO WAKE" buoys placed around the swimming, boat dock and water front areas. For swimmers safety, please do not drive boats through the swimming area and approach docks with caution. Boat slips are for FBC vessels use. Extra slips are open on a first-come basis.

Quiet Time

Quiet time hours are to be observed between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00am. Activities after these times should be conducted in a very quiet manner as to not disturb the participants in the area.

Reservations

Must be made by filling out the appropriate packet and information. This packet must be submitted to the Recreation Office for ample time to follow through on requested reservation and to call back with a confirmation.

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No participant under the age of 21 will be allowed to rent any facilities. Facilities can not be occupied without an adult age 21 or older present. The person renting the facility will be the responsible person for those persons staying at the Camp.

Swimming /Waterfront

Requirement:

The designated swimming area is buoyed off at the beach area. This area is set aside to keep swimmers away from the boating area and boats from swimmers. There is no swimming outside these boundaries. Approved Type III PFD is required for every participant while on the Aqua Jump Or Aqua Mat (No Exceptions).

Swimming and all waterfront activities are **At Your Own Risk**. It is suggested you always have an adult for children and use a certified lifeguard.

Further General Use and Guidelines:

- **Absolutely, no after sunset water front use** of docks, swimming, kayaks, canoes, floats and inflatable.
- Lifejackets must be used while on the inflatable's.
- Inflatable...water depth must be minimum 9' for use. Maximum of 5 people at any one time.
- If thunder is heard... immediate 30 minutes out of the water. If lightning is seen...immediate 60 minutes out of the water and until weather is clear. Time resets every time thunder is heard or lightening is seen.

Boating Use and Guidelines:

- No Wake Zone - A specified *No Wake Zone* is marked at the mouth of Sylco Inlet. Please adhere to this No Wake Zone for safety of equipment and participants. Failure to not comply with this safety regulation will result in reporting infraction and boat number to TWRA.
- Absolutely no boats in the buoyed swim area.
- All boats must have a lifejacket for each individual. Individuals, 12 and under, must have a life jacket on (TWRA Regulation) when on the water and in a boat.
- Tubers, skiers and wake-boarders must have a life jacket on at all times.
- Ski dock (in front of dining hall) is to be used for skiers, wake boarders and tubers.
- Boat docks are to be used for parking, fueling and maintenance.
- Camp Cherokee Pontoons boats are for Camp transport use only. When boats are parked boarding is not permitted.

Telephone

A Camp telephone is available for use, although phone service may vary with weather conditions and be out of our control. This is a business and emergency phone. Local calls, collect long distance calls and phone card calls are allowed. Calls should be limited to 3 minutes and between the hours of 8:00am and 8:00pm. There is no cell phone coverage accessibility at Camp. Camp Caretaker phone is not available for personal long distance phone calls.

Trash

We ask that all trash is removed and placed in the proper place/collection site in the trash trailer by the dining hall.