

CROSSINGS  
MISSION

INFORMATIONAL PACKET

# GO ON MISSION AT SUMMER CAMP

To Raise Up Christ-Centered Student Leaders





At church, students hear stories about missionaries. They might even be asked to give to local or international service projects. Both expand their view of kingdom work...

...but what if students could physically participate—**feet on the ground, hands in the work**—in impactful mission work during their most formative years?

...instead of spending a week at camp focused on themselves, what if they could spend a life-changing week dedicated to serving **others**?

**We believe BIG things would happen!** That's why we designed Crossings on Mission, our mission-oriented summer camp.

With our cream-of-the-crop staff and pre-planned activities, it's the same high-quality, gospel-saturated week you've come to expect from Crossings. But with daily mission work in the local community!

We're confident that being on mission helps students go beyond the typical camp "mountaintop experience" to experience lasting spiritual transformation.

Because we have seen first-hand that **mission work changes hearts and transforms lives in lasting ways**. Your students will go back home equipped to live out their faith and be leaders in your community!

In this packet, you'll find everything you need to know about Crossings on Mission. Check out our **schedule**, get hyped up for camp-favorite **Crossbow!**, and get all your **questions answered** about the best week of your summer!

God is using this generation to do BIG things, and we're thrilled to be part of it. I can't wait to see you at camp!

*In Christ,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lance Howerton".

**Lance Howerton**

*President*

# WHY CROSSINGS ON MISSION?

**One week could impact your students for the rest of their lives.**

Students shouldn't just hear about mission work. They deserve to actually participate in it during their most formative years.

That's why we developed Crossings on Mission. Your students have the opportunity to do **hands-on work** in the community and **share the gospel** through service—all while enjoying the **fun and bonding** of a typical camp experience.

They will return home with an expanded vision of what it means to live on mission in their everyday life and feel **equipped to be a leader** in their community.



## CROSSINGS ON MISSION IS A DONE-FOR-YOU YOUTH CAMP + MISSION TRIP EXPERIENCE YOU CAN TRUST.

Give your students the best of both worlds: all the fun and spiritual development of summer camp plus the chance to live out their faith through impactful mission work.

**REGISTER ONLINE**

[gocrossings.org/mission-camp](https://gocrossings.org/mission-camp)

ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING

**\$372+**

FOR GRADES

**6-12**

LOCATION

**NEWPORT**  
TENNESSEE

ONE WEEK ONLY

**JULY 15-19**  
2024

# MISSION CAMP AT A GLANCE

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## MORNING CELEBRATION

Every morning we come together for a high-energy time to kick off the day. We will worship, see our morning celebration actors do their thing, and hear a brief word from our camp pastor.

## EVENING WORSHIP

Each evening we will gather together to reflect on the work God is doing, worship, and hear from our camp pastor.

## CHECKPOINT

We want to strengthen the relationship between your students and church leaders. This is a designated time for you to meet with your group, debrief, worship, and pray together.

## FELLOWSHIP TIME

This is a time each evening dedicated to fun and relationship building. This is also a time to hangout, buy snacks from the camp store, and connect directly with Crossings staff.

## BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is where your students will walk through the life and ministry of Paul as we land in 2 Corinthians.

**MONDAY:** Conversion

**WEDNESDAY:** Content

**TUESDAY:** Consequence

**THURSDAY:** Call

## CROSSBOWL

It's competition time! Get ready to represent your camp color against the other camp colors in battle for the title of Crossbowl Champion!



# CAMP SCHEDULE

## MONDAY

3:00PM	Registration	8:00PM	Open Cel
5:30PM	Dinner	9:30PM	CheckPoint
6:45PM	Church Round Up	10:00PM	Fellowship
6:55PM	Adult Leader Meeting	11:00PM	In Rooms
7:15PM	Small Groups	11:30PM	Lights Out
7:50PM	Doors Open		

## TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY

7:30AM	Breakfast	3:45PM	Free Time/Groups Return
8:25AM	Doors Open	5:30PM	Dinner
8:30AM	Morning Cel	7:30AM	Worship
9:00AM	Large Group	9:00PM	CheckPoint
9:20AM	Small Groups	10:00PM	Fellowship
10:00AM	Gather & Scatter	11:00PM	In Rooms
10:15AM	Groups Depart	11:30PM	Lights Out
12:00PM	Lunch On Site		

## THURSDAY

7:30AM	Breakfast	4:15PM	Crossbowl
8:25AM	Doors Open	5:30PM	Dinner
8:30AM	Morning Cel	7:30PM	Worship
9:00AM	Large Group	9:30PM	CheckPoint
9:20AM	Small Groups	10:00PM	Closing Cel
9:50AM	Gather & Scatter	10:30PM	Fellowship
10:00AM	Groups Depart	11:30PM	In Rooms
12:00PM	Lunch On Site	12:00PM	Lights Out
3:30PM	Free Time/Groups Return		

## ABOUT THE LOCATION

This summer, we're thrilled to be at **Carson Springs Conference Center** in Newport, TN! We'll enjoy air-conditioned lodging, all meals provided on-site including work-site lunches, planned services projects, worship in the historic Stokely Chapel, and the beautiful Smoky Mountains surrounding us all week long.



## FREE TIME ACTIVITIES

Students will be able to enjoy a variety of activities around Carson Springs during free time.

### SWIMMING

Enjoy time swimming in a lifeguard-managed swimming pool during your free time.

### NATURE HIKES

Spend time in nature walking our natural trails.

## BASKETBALL

Head over to the activities center to play basketball at the indoor half-court. You can also head over to our outdoor basketball courts to enjoy some time with friends.

## INDOOR RECREATION

Play air hockey, ping pong, foosball, etc.

## HORSESHOES

Grab a friend and toss some horseshoes.





# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

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## ARRIVAL

We ask that all groups sign up for a fifteen minute arrival window in your Group Leader Dashboard. All arrival times are between 2PM-4PM. If an emergency causes you to miss your window, please call us at 502-491-7000 with your projected arrival time. Please refrain from calling this number on Saturdays and Sundays. Signs and staffers will greet you and direct you to registration. You will receive room keys, Bible Study booklets, and full schedule at registration.

## GROUP PICTURE

Please remind your participants that the group picture will happen either upon arrival or scheduled soon after arrival. We will give you a framed picture at the end of camp before you leave.

## HOUSING

Lodging assignments will be emailed prior to arriving at camp. Please inform us of anyone requiring ground floor accommodations due to handicap or medical needs. Room keys are only given to adult leaders. All rooms must be cleaned and are subject to inspection on the last day of camp. All housing at Carson Springs will be multi-church housing in cabins containing large rooms with bunk beds and shared bathrooms. Breakfast and dinner will be provided on the property and bag lunches will be sent with each participant to eat while at work sites.

## GUEST RELATIONS STAFF CALL

Have the following information ready for this call: gender breakdown, arrival time, and together/apart information.

## DIRECTIONS

Directions and maps to Carson Springs (1120 Carson Springs Road, Newport, TN 37821) are available on the Location page of the Carson Springs website:

[tnbaptistcamps.org/carson-springs/location](https://tnbaptistcamps.org/carson-springs/location)

## CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY

A Certificate of Liability is provided by your insurance company. This certificate states your church/organization's insurance policies and coverage information. The certificate names Crossings Ministries as an additional insured so we know your organization is protected when visiting our camps. If you call your church's insurance company, they will know what you need.

## BACKGROUND CHECKS

These are a central component of our Child Protection Policy. We want to help prevent and protect your students from physical, emotional, verbal, and sexual abuse, especially while they are on our properties and under our care. For this reason, we ask all adults who attend camp to pass a background check. All background checks must have taken place within the previous two years from the date of camp attendance. You must list the names of leaders you have up-to-date background checks for and sign the Background Check Form for those adults to participate in camp.



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# YOUR SMART PACKING LIST

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## WHAT TO BRING

- ☐ Appropriate Clothing - see *Dress Code section*
- ☐ Work Clothes – groups will be participating in mission work so you will need sturdy shorts, closed toed shoes, and clothing that could get dirty or stained
- ☐ Bedding - pillow, twin size sheets, or sleeping bag
- ☐ Towels - beach towels bath towels, bath mats
- ☐ Toiletries - toothbrush, soap, shampoo, wash cloth, deodorant, hand soap, paper towels
- ☐ Hand Sanitizer
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Insect Repellent
- ☐ Reusable Water Bottle
- ☐ Wristwatch
- ☐ Swim Suit
- ☐ Sunglasses and/or Hat
- ☐ Renaissance Fair Fellowship Attire
- ☐ Complete Bible, Pen, and Notepad - we use ESV (not required) in all programs
- ☐ Spending Money for Store — takes credit / debit cards
- ☐ Challenge: Student participants bring \$20 or more for the missions offering

## WHAT **NOT** TO BRING

- Alcohol, tobacco, vaping products, and illegal drugs
- Fireworks or weapons of any kind
- Skateboards, roller skates, or shoes with built-in skates

## DRESS CODE

We ask that all students and adults dress modestly.

### FOR FEMALES:

- Shorts need to be longer than your fingertips when your arm is extended down the side of your leg.
- No spaghetti strap tank tops or any tops where undergarments can be seen.
- Swimsuits must be one-piece with shorts/swim shorts worn over swimsuit at all times, even in the water. If you do not have a one-piece swimsuit, a dark t-shirt and shorts must be worn over a tankini swimsuit at all times.
- Shirts must be worn over swimsuits at all times when walking to and from the lake/pool.

### FOR MALES:

- Shorts need to be longer than your fingertips when your arm is extended down the side of your leg.
- No shorts with sides cut out.
- Shirts must be worn at all times on campus, even when walking to and from the lake/pool.



# GROUP PACKING LIST

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**For adults and/or group leaders.** We recommend you bring the following to ensure your group has an optimal experience:

- ☐ Hand Sanitizer
- ☐ Anti-Itch Cream (Lanacane)
- ☐ Sunburn Relief (Green Aloe with Lidocaine)
- ☐ First Aid Kit — triple antibiotic ointment, ace bandages, bandages, anti-bacterial wipes, and epipen
- ☐ Pain Medications (Tylenol, Ibuprofen, etc.)
- ☐ Extra Hand Soap, Paper Towels, and Bath Mats
- ☐ Gold Bond
- ☐ Please ensure students pack closed-toe shoes and sturdy shorts

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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## **Can I Participate In Tracks With The Group I Am Attending With?**

Yes, all participants will participate in mission tracks with the group they are attending with.

## **How Many Chaperones Can I Bring?**

Groups must have one chaperone for every five students.

## **Is There A Refund Policy?**

All funds are non-refundable and non-transferable after February 28.

## **What Are The Transportation Requirements?**

We require every group to provide transportation to mission sites and to provide daily transportation to and from mission sites for their group and at least one staffer for every twelve students. Any gas, tolls, or other incidental churches connected to their transportation are covered by the group.

## **Is Food And Lodging Included?**

Yes, food and lodging is included in the amount you pay to attend.

## **Can I Register As An Individual?**

No, we do not allow individuals. We require chaperones in order to ensure that our camp experiences remain connected to the local church and its discipleship function.

## **Can I Or My Adult Leaders Bring Our Children To Camp?**

Crossings' facilities do not have accommodations for parents to bring children who are too young or too old to register as students or kids. Because of the nature of camp and the busy schedule, it would be impossible for an Adult Leader to provide appropriate supervision for both their child/children and their group's students.

## A TRUSTED PARTNER SINCE 2000

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Since 2000, Crossings Ministries has had the privilege of partnering with churches all over the region to help proclaim the gospel and see thousands of lives changed.

Our staff is equipped through extensive Bible study and evangelism training to share the gospel and live out the gospel by providing the best possible hospitality for you and your group.

We're proud to partner with the **Tennessee Baptist Mission Board** this summer to offer impactful service projects that will bless the local community and give students the opportunity to step out in faith.





# GIVE YOUR STUDENTS AN EXPERIENCE THEY'LL NEVER FORGET

**We're passionate about seeing lives changed by the gospel.**

We know a successful ministry requires long-term daily investment beyond the week of camp. That's why we want to provide your group with a high-quality, engaging mission experience that will encourage your students to go deeper with Christ and with each other. Now you can focus your time and energy on the day-to-day relational ministry that happens throughout the rest of the year.

**Are you ready to make this a summer one your students will never forget?**

SAVE YOUR SPOT

**REGISTER TODAY**

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“Camp is easily the biggest **highlight of the year** for our students... and Crossings does such a great job at making it a fun, safe, and inviting environment. The lessons they learn about the Gospel spark so many needed questions, considerations, and **new interest in Jesus** that are invaluable for us in our ministry!”

— Sarah B —