

Covenant Pines Ministries Summer 2020

COVID-19 Related FAQs

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Please note that we recognize that the situation changes frequently, and we often ask questions we don't have the answers to yet. Covenant Pines Ministries will continue to monitor and make decisions accordingly for each site. We have three ministry sites with different programs and needs. As a result restrictions and guidelines at CPM will vary from one ministry to another. We will continue to post updates and information on our website, and remain committed to communicating regularly and honestly.

Our decision to run camp this summer is framed by three guidelines:

- There are no large group gathering restrictions*
- There are no travel restrictions*
- We determine we can continue to meet our high standards of health and safety at camp, as well as high quality programming*

Covenant Pines Bible Camp

Are all camp sessions cancelled this summer?

No, BUT the start of camp has been delayed until July 6. We have cancelled Trailblazer 1, Senior High 1, Trailblazer 2, Junior High 1, Kids Camp 1 and July Family Camp. We plan to resume camp for Junior High 2 on July 6 and will follow the printed calendar for the remainder of the summer. We are communicating directly with families that were registered for these camps to discuss their options.

Will I get a refund for my cancelled camp?

Absolutely, yes! We are giving families four options for their registration fee whether we have cancelled their camp or the family has elected to cancel the registration themselves:

- 1) Full refund of registration fees (including deposit)
- 2) 50% refund of registration fees AND 50% donation of registration fee
- 3) You determine the amount to be refunded and donated
- 4) Full donation of registration fees

Why now?

Over the past several weeks, the CPM Staff and Board have monitored the COVID-19 situation and observed the recommendations of the Governor, Minnesota Department of Health and the CDC. We have had many conversations discussing different scenarios about what summer would look like for all aspects of Covenant Pines Ministries. At this point, with the uncertainty of local, state and federal health regulations in the upcoming weeks we feel this is the right decision to ensure that we provide quality programs as well as health and safety to all.

When will you know about the rest of the summer?

We are not sure - we hope to make a decision in the upcoming weeks.

If my camp is cancelled, can I transfer into another camp later in the summer?

We will do our best if there is space available, but cannot guarantee a spot in a different camp session. If your camp is cancelled, you will receive specific instructions on how to transfer your registration.

Can I use my registration as a deposit for next summer?

No, at this time we are only offering refunds or transfers.

What do I do if I want to cancel my camper's registration?

We of course support every parent's decision to do what is best for their child. If you choose to cancel your camper's registration, please fill out this [FORM](#). With all of our camps being cancelled in June, we anticipate our July and August camps being full with waiting lists. We would appreciate a two week notice if you decide to cancel to give another camper an opportunity to attend camp.

What about our July Family Camp cancellation?

At this time your July Family Camp registration has been cancelled in our registration system. You will receive specific instructions on how to transfer your registration or be refunded.

How can I help?

Covenant Pines asks for your continued prayers. We seek God's guidance and provision as we navigate this difficult time. With these cancellations due to COVID-19, CPM has lost a substantial amount of revenue. Please continue to remember us in your financial contributions. You can give online on our website, [here](#).

I still have a question

If your question about summer at Covenant Pines Bible Camp was not answered, please call our office at (218) 768-2610 or email office@covenantpines.org, and we will get you in touch with the right person who can answer it.

Silver Beach Family Camp

Will my family still be able to attend Silver Beach for a week?

Yes - according to the current restrictions and recommendations, we are still able to host individual families at Silver Beach. With proper safety, cleaning and health measures we believe families can still enjoy Silver Beach over the summer.

Will my family be able to participate in camp activities while at Silver Beach?

We are not sure yet. We are still evaluating safe, healthy and realistic programming for our families at Silver Beach. We will communicate with families directly about what this looks like and what decisions are made.

Can I eat a meal in the Dining Hall while at Silver Beach?

No, you will be required to bring all of your own food and beverages for your week at Silver Beach.

What should I do if I want to cancel our week at Silver Beach?

Please contact Angie Sampson, Guest Service Director. She can be reached at angie@covenantpines.org

Adventurous Christians

Are canoe trips cancelled this summer?

No, all trips have been rescheduled to take place beginning July 13, 2020. We continue to monitor the US Forest Service guidelines for canoe trips into the Boundary Waters.

If we should have to cancel, what is AC's refund policy?

If you find it necessary to cancel we will refund all your fees.

I still have a question

If your question about summer at Adventurous Christians was not answered, please call our office at (218) 388-2286 or email erin@adventurouschristians.org.

Covenant Pines Day Camp

We were taking the summer of 2020 to evaluate the Day Camp Ministry. No decisions made have impacted Day Camp plans.