



COVENANT PINES
Bible Camp



SILVER BEACH
Family Camp



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Ministries



ADVENTUROUS
Christians



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Day Camp

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Summer Update from Covenant Pines Ministries

Good afternoon from Covenant Pines Ministries! We have made a commitment to communicate with our constituents in a timely manner decisions and updates that impact Covenant Pines Ministries in regards to COVID-19. Over the past several weeks, the CPM Staff and Board have monitored the COVID-19 situation and observed the recommendations of the Governor, the Minnesota Department of Health and the CDC. We have had many conversations discussing different scenarios about what the summer could look like for all aspects of Covenant Pines Ministries. We remain committed to meeting our high standards of health and safety of our campers and staff, while providing the high quality programs you've come to expect.

With this background, the CPM Staff and Board have adopted a two-stage approach regarding our plans for Summer 2020. As of today, we are implementing the First Stage:

COVENANT PINES BIBLE CAMP: With the information we currently know and doing our best to be proactive in keeping campers and staff safe, we have made the very difficult decision to delay the start of our summer youth and family camps until July 6, 2020. As a result of this decision, the following camps have been cancelled: Trailblazer 1, Senior High 1, Trailblazer 2, Junior High 1, Kids Camp 1 and July Family Camp. We are communicating directly with these families to discuss their options for refund, rescheduling or donation. Prior to July 6, we will implement new health and safety measures as well as extensive staff training to ensure we are able to keep campers safe while they attend camp. If you choose to cancel your campers registration, the options available to you can be found [here](#).

SILVER BEACH FAMILY CAMP: Silver Beach will plan to host registered families throughout the summer. With proper safety, cleaning and health measures we believe families can still enjoy Silver Beach over the summer. Programmed activities that families will be able to participate in are still being evaluated and will be communicated to families in the future.

ADVENTUROUS CHRISTIANS: Adventurous Christians will move forward in anticipation of leading canoe trips and wilderness experiences beginning July 13, 2020. AC will be taking additional precautionary measures to ensure health and safety of guides, leaders and campers.

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.

The Second Stage of our planning will occur in the coming weeks as we continue to monitor new available information and restrictions/recommendations. It is our strong desire to have campers on site this summer

These decisions were not easy and did not come without prayer, discernment, leadership and a few tears from our staff and board. We also 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. We will continue to post updates and information on our website and remain committed to communicating regularly and honestly with our supporters. Please take a moment to read the accompanying FAQ sheet for more information.

We continue to trust God to lead us and are incredibly grateful to go to Him in prayer - even with heavy hearts. Thank you for your support and prayers for our organization during this time. We have been so thankful for your gracious and generous support so far.

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