

CAMP BEE TREE 2023



Our Christian day camp for children
JULY 10 - 14, 2023

About Camp BeeTree

Please join us for a fun-filled week at Camp BeeTree as we look at signs of Christianity as metaphors for experiencing God's presence, for posing obstacles for reaching the top, and for experiencing a wonderful week in nature. We will build relationships as we explore nature, splash in the stream, surmount obstacle courses, learn music and dance, and make mountains of crafts.

OUR CAMPERS & STAFF

□ Campers (currently enrolled in K-5) - \$225 for church members

\$250 for nonchurch members

Camp BeeTree is a one-week vacation Bible camp experience. Children who have completed Kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to join us for this exciting and fun learning experience. Children must be able to follow directions, understand the importance of staying with their group, be toilet trained, and be able to tolerate a physically demanding full-day outdoor camp experience.

□ Counselor -in-Training / CITs" (currently enrolled in 6-12) - \$100 per child

Middle and high schoolers are valued participants in the Camp BeeTree experience as a counselor-in-training. Assisting adult leaders as CITs, they teach, guide and support many aspects of the total program. Each day, CITs have a special mid-day program planned for them to meet for fellowship and fun. The Saturday before camp, CITs go to BeeTree for a Teen Work Camp to prep the camp and participate in team building and fellowship activities. The Saturday after camp, CITs are part of the breakdown team.



CITs must be good role models for our young campers, so we first require them to complete an application. If they are accepted, then they will be notified and can continue with the registration process. Community service credit hours are available.

□ **Adult Leaders**

Camp BeeTree is run entirely by volunteers. Parents are encouraged to volunteer, either on site or in preparation for the camp week. Help is needed to purchase supplies, prepare food and materials, supervise activities and lead age groups. Please consider how you can contribute your time and talent to make camp BeeTree a success this year!

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DAILY SCHEDULE

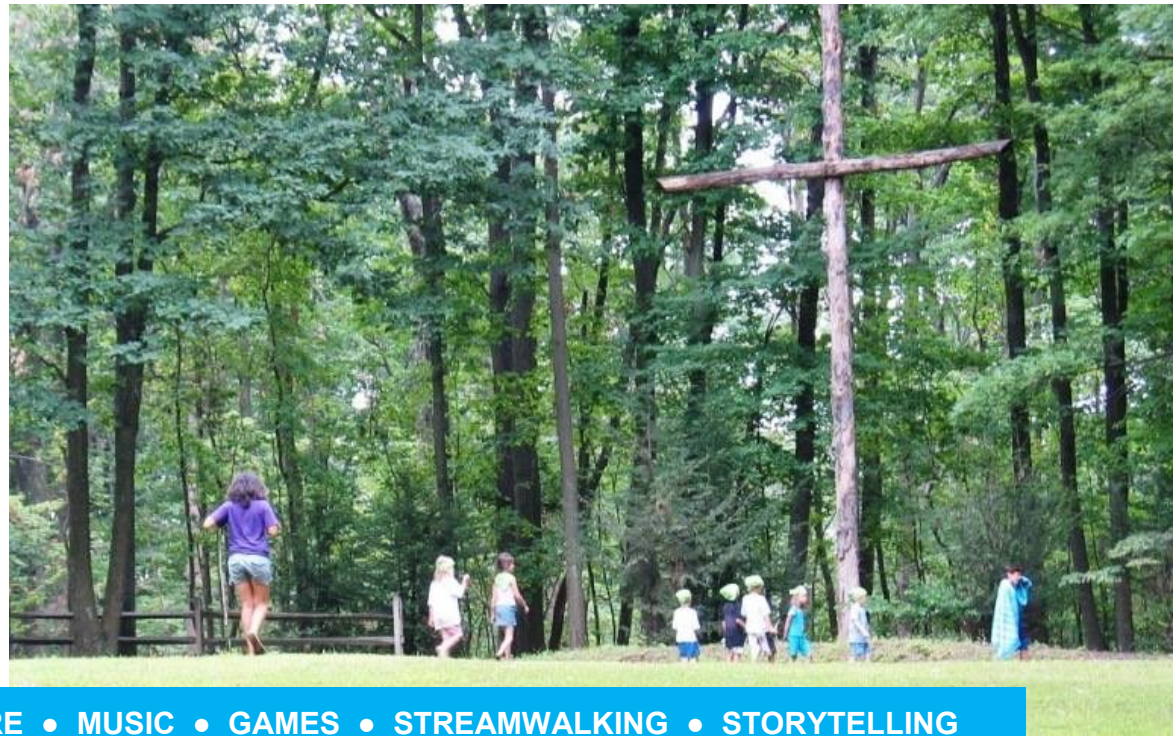
- 8:15 am** Parents drop off campers at Towson Presbyterian Church at 400 W. Chesapeake in Towson, MD for an introductory program to be held each day where campers will be given name tags and special instructions on morning activities before boarding buses.
- 9:15 am** Campers and counselors ride a bus to the BeeTree Preserve in Parkton, MD
- 9:45 am** Arrival at BeeTree Preserve
- 2:30 pm** Campers & staff ride a bus back to Towson Presbyterian Church
- 3:15 pm** Buses arrive at Towson Presbyterian Church and campers are supervised until released to authorized adults only
- 3:15-5:00 pm** Aftercare is available for busy families. We will show a supervised movie in Thompson Hall at Towson Presbyterian Church.

CHILD SAFETY

Your child's safety is top priority to all of us. Help us by reminding your child about the importance of following instructions given by adult leaders, staying with their assigned group, and staying in their seats and using a quiet voice on the bus to make the bus ride safer and more comfortable for everyone.

Trained volunteers will be on site to provide first aid / CPR if needed. Adults in all areas will carry cell phones and will have first aid kits nearby.

In case of thunderstorm, we will shelter in place or return to Towson Presbyterian Church. If it is raining without lightning & thunder, we will carry on with our program at BeeTree unless it becomes unsafe to do so.



ART • NATURE • MUSIC • GAMES • STREAMWALKING • STORYTELLING



ABOUT BEE TREE PRESERVE

Our camp is held at the beautiful BeeTree Preserve, a 258-acre tract of land located in upper Baltimore County, approximately 25 minutes from Towson Presbyterian Church. It features wooded areas with hiking trails, a stream, two covered pavilions, a large open area for games, and separate bathroom facilities for boys and girls. It is a unique and ideal spot for our annual vacation Bible camp, Camp BeeTree.

Directions: From 695, take I-83 North towards Harrisburg for 17.8 miles. Take Exit 33 "Parkton MD 45". At the top of the exit ramp, turn left and proceed 1.3 miles. Turn left on Kaufman Road and proceed 1.3 miles to BeeTree. At the Five-Forks stop sign, continue straight. Signs designate a road on the left entering BeeTree Cemetery and farther along, another leading to the Davis Pavilion. Parking is available at the lower pavilion.

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GETTING READY FOR CAMP

Each day, campers will need a backpack containing (please write campers name on all belongings):

- ☐ bagged lunch (with ice pack if needed)
- ☐ a towel
- ☐ a plastic bag to store a wet bathing suit
- ☐ set of dry clothes (in case of an emergency)
- ☐ refillable water bottle
- ☐ water shoes (no flip flops or open-toed shoes)
- ☐ hat (optional)

Each day, campers should wear:

- ☐ swimsuit under clothes (or swim trunks that dry quickly)
- ☐ sunscreen
- ☐ bug spray
- ☐ sneakers (no flip flops or open toe shoes)
- ☐ long socks (to reduce bug bites)

IMPORTANT DATES

- April 20 :** CIT application due
- April 27 :** Notification of CIT acceptance via email
- May 16:** 2022 Camper/CIT registration, medical form and payment due
- July 8 :** CIT Teen Work Camp at BeeTree Preserve to get the camp ready. Youth will work at Camp BeeTree and participate in orientation, team building and fellowship activities.
- July 10- 14:** CAMP BEE TREE from 8:15 am to 3:15 pm Aftercare between 3:15 pm-5:00 pm.
- July 15:** CIT Teen Work Camp at BeeTree Preserve to break down camp.
- July 16 :** "Worship For All" BeeTree Reunion service at Towson Presbyterian Church at 10:00 am.

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