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2017 Winter Retreat

Dear Parents,

We are so excited to announce our 2017 Winter Retreat!!! We are going to be heading up to **Camp Lee Canyon from February 10-12** to spend three days and two nights worshipping Jesus and having TONS of fun together. This year we worked hard to keep our cost **to just \$100! This covers transportation, lodging, activities at the camp, and 5 meals (dinner on Friday thru breakfast on Sunday).**

I know that some of you may be wondering *why* you should spend \$100 and send your students on a weekend retreat. Let me explain the heart behind what we're trying to do. We believe that it is so important for teenagers to be a part of a youth group—having community and growing with other Christians their age. Because of this we tailor every part of our youth services (teaching, music, hangout time, etc.) to teenagers in order to present the message of Jesus in a way that most applies and makes sense to them. But two hours on a Sunday night isn't a lot of time when you consider that there are 168 hours in the week.

The goal of this retreat is to get students away from all distractions—from their friends, their technology, and their normal routines—and bring them into an environment where they can be transformed by the grace of God. We want to ignite a passion in every student to both live for Jesus and to share the gospel with their friends. Everything we've done week in and week out in our youth group will come to a culmination as we have extended worship times, hear deep and relevant teaching from God's word, and have discussion groups to talk about what we are learning and how it impacts our lives. I believe that \$100 and one weekend is just a small investment that will pay huge dividends in your teenager's walk with Jesus. Let this year mark a new chapter in the life of your student and send them on our 2017 Winter Retreat!

If you have any questions, or for more information, see Pastor Kory or email khale@crossroadsweb.org. To learn more about Camp Lee Canyon, visit <http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/parks/Pages/camp-lee-canyon.aspx>.

Sincerely,

Pastor Kory

FAQs

Where are we going?

Camp Lee Canyon—6201 Lee Canyon Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89124

How are we going to get there?

We are chartering a bus with a professional driver to take us to the camp.

How do I sign up?

Fill out the SOCIAL permission form (you do not need to complete form if you already have one on file) and turn it in with your \$100 to Pastor Kory. **Your spot is reserved when you turn your money in.**

What will my child be eating?

Delicious food prepared by our chefs: Freeman and Irma Garcia-Harris.

What will my child be learning?

We will open the Bible, read from it, and learn to apply it to our lives.

What will my child be doing during free time?

Spending time with other teenagers in the snow, or relaxing next to the fireplace. There are many fun and safe options to choose from.

Will my child be supervised?

Yes. There will be a minimum 4:1 student to leader ratio. Our youth leaders have all been screened, approved, and trained.

Will my child have cell service at the Camp?

NO! If you need to get in touch with your child, or they need to get in touch with you, there is a landline telephone in the cafeteria. The phone number is **(702) 872-5644**

Will my child have the best time of his/her life?

Yes.

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2017 Winter Retreat Departure/Arrival Times

Friday, February 10

- **4:30p**—meet at Crossroads Community Church
 - Must have permission slip (if not previously turned in), luggage (**no more than one suitcase**), and sleeping bag/pillow ready to go.
 - PLEASE BE ON TIME
- **5:00p**—leave for Lee Canyon
- **6:30p**—arrive at Camp Lee Canyon
- **7:00p**—Dinner

Sunday, February 12

- **11:00a**—leave camp and head home
- **12:30p**—(Approximately) arrive at Crossroads Community Church

What To Bring

Remember, it will be quite COLD and there will be SNOW covering the ground at camp—dress accordingly

Each student may bring ONE bag/suitcase along with a sleeping bag and pillow

What you will need:

- Bible
- Notebook and pen
- TOWEL, washcloth, soap, shampoo, conditioner
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, and all other personal toiletries
- Flashlight*
- Sleeping bag & Pillow
- Water bottle
- Warm Clothes for 3 days (extras if you'll want to change more often)
- Snow Clothes (for free time at the meadows)
- Heavy Coat/Jacket
- Water-proof shoes/Snow Shoes (if you plan on spending time playing in the snow)
- Anything else you feel you need to keep your body warm and dry

*Required for night time—there are no street lights/lamps!

Dress Code

Obviously we will not be swimming, and will be covered in many layers of clothes. However, please remember to be modest with what you wear underneath your coat. The meeting rooms are warm and you will be taking layers off. Also, keep your pajamas modest.

Students will be sleeping in bunkhouses. Beds will not have sheets, blankets, or pillows on them. Make sure to bring a sleeping bag and pillow or you will be cold and uncomfortable!

NO ELECTRONICS ALLOWED!!! (iPod, iPad, Nintendo, computer, etc.) You won't need these items, as you'll spend all of your time with REAL PEOPLE! ☺ Phones may be brought but must remain in airplane mode while we are at Camp. **(This means you'll want to bring a real bible...with pages)**

*****WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST, STOLEN, BROKEN, MISHANDLED, WATER DAMAGED, OR BEAR-EATEN ITEMS! You are responsible for whatever you bring with you!!!***

NO alcoholic beverages, tobacco, illegal drugs, firearms, weapons, or firecrackers on camp ground. No candles or matches allowed anywhere at the camp. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Parental Permission Form and Authorization to Administer Medical Aid

Emergency Information

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian's Address: _____

Parent/Guardian's Telephone:

Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Insurance Company: _____

Group Number: _____ Individual Number: _____

Family Physician: _____ Telephone No.: _____

Specify any allergies and/or medication: _____

Alternate Contact: _____ Telephone: _____

My child has permission to be given Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Imodium, and other over-the-counter medications if they request it. YES NO

I hereby give my permission for (*child*) _____ to attend **Crossroads Community Church Youth Ministry (The Social)**. I understand that the church staff will use their best efforts to supervise; however, I also understand the church staff are not responsible for loss of personal property or bodily injury. If I cannot be reached at the time of an emergency and if treatment is urgent in the judgment of the church staff and medical authorities, I authorize and direct the church staff members present to send my child (*properly accompanied*) to the hospital or the most easily accessible medical facility. I understand that I will assume full responsibility for the payment of any services rendered. **I do not hold Crossroads Community Church, its youth program, or any of its staff, leadership, and/or volunteers responsible in any way for any incident or accident that may occur while participating in the youth program, or while traveling to and returning from services, events, activities, retreats, etc.** (Please use the reverse side to explain any other additional or helpful information you feel we should be aware of... i.e. allergies, handicaps, medications, etc.)

I have read and fully understand the above permission slip and I do want my child to be allowed to participate in the Crossroads Community Church youth group program and its activities.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____