

# **Camp Bethel's Facility Use Policy and Agreement for Use**

## **Facility Purpose Statement**

Camp Bethel's facilities were provided by God's goodness and the sacrificial generosity of its members. All Camp Bethel property is consecrated and set apart to worship God (Col. 3:17), and therefore is to be used exclusively to glorify God and edify the Body of Christ.

Camp Bethel's facilities may not be used for activities that contradict, or are inconsistent with Camp Bethel's beliefs, as summarized in the Camp Bethel's statement of faith. This restricted facility use policy is necessary for two reasons. First, Camp Bethel may not in good conscience materially cooperate in activities or promote beliefs that are contrary to its faith (2 Cor. 6:14; 1 Thess. 5:22). Second, Camp Bethel must present a consistent public witness to the community through its stewardship of its property. Therefore, only events that are consistent with the Camp Bethel's religious beliefs, as determined by the camps Board of Directors, shall be permitted.

## **Approved Users**

The Executive Director must approve all Camp Bethel facility use requests according to the guidelines set forth by the Camp Bethel Board of Directors. Priority shall be given to Camp Bethel's member churches and Camp Bethel-sponsored groups or activities.

At Camp Bethel's sole discretion, Camp Bethel facilities may be made available to individuals or groups meeting the following qualifications:

1. The User must affirm that the planned facility use does not violate the Camp Bethel's faith and practice.
2. The User must agree with, sign, and submit the following forms – Camp Bethel's Statement of Faith; Camp Bethel's Facility Use Policy and Agreement for Use.
3. The User must agree to abide by the Camp Bethel's rules of conduct for facility use, as stated below and as described in any additional instructions by Camp Bethel staff.
4. The User must take responsibility for the facilities and equipment used.

## **Event Requests and Scheduling**

Facility use requests shall be made to the Executive Director by submitting a request for use online or directly with the Executive Director. The event will be reserved and placed on the Camp Bethel's calendar only when the Executive Director receives the deposit, the required signed forms, and is approved by the Executive Director according to the requirements set forth by the Board of Directors.

## **Deposit and Fees**

Use of Camp Bethel facilities is subject to a nonrefundable deposit of \$300 which may be waived at the Executive Directors sole discretion. The deposit will be applied to the final invoice at the end of the event. Fees are listed on page 3.

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## Facility Use Guidelines

1. Food and Beverages are not allowed in the lodges except for water bottles with lids.
2. Alcohol is not permitted on Camp Bethel property.
3. Smoking is prohibited in any indoor Camp Bethel facility. Other than a camp designated area for smoking, smoking outside is prohibited due to grass and brush fire dangers.
4. Sex-specific cabins, changing areas, restrooms, and showers are to be used by members of the designated biological sex only.
5. Camp Bethel equipment must be returned to original placement, unless arranged otherwise prior to the event.
6. All lights must be turned off and doors closed upon departure.
7. Abusive or foul language and violent behavior are strictly prohibited on Camp Bethel premises. Any person exhibiting such behavior will be required to leave the premises.
8. Illegal drugs are prohibited on Camp Bethel property. Any person exhibiting drug abuse behavior will be required to leave the premises. Any illegal drugs will be reported to the appropriate authorities.
9. Weapons such as guns, knives, etc. are prohibited on Camp Bethel property unless approved by the Executive Director in advance.

## Insurance

For all non-Camp-sponsored events, the User must obtain liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000, naming Camp Bethel as an additional insured. The User must also sign a "Facility Use and an Indemnity and Hold Harmless Agreement."

## Camp Facility Reservation Request and Agreement

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organizations Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Please state whether you are a:

Member Church    Non-Member Group/Organization

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Please state the organization's purpose and mission: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Describe the proposed event/activity: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Estimated number of attendees: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Requested arrival date & time: \_\_\_\_\_

Departure date & time: \_\_\_\_\_

## Please select your option and associated fees:

**Option #1** (Camp cooks & provides the food/drinks)

### Youth, men's and women's retreats:

We charge \$14 per meal per person, plus \$14 per night per person.

### Church sponsored family camps/retreats:

Because we understand that cost can be high for larger families, we charge \$14 per meal, per person \$50 per night per family unit.

**Option #2** (You cook & provide your own food/drinks)

### Youth, men's and women's retreats:

We charge \$25 per night, per person.

### Church sponsored family camps/retreats:

Because we understand that cost can be high for larger families, we only charge \$50 per family unit, per night.

\*We will send you an additional attachment if you decide to do your own cooking explaining what we provide, and what you'll need to bring.

## RELEASE/INDEMNIFICATION-HOLD HARMLESS

1. In consideration for being permitted to use the Camp Bethel facilities, I \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter "Applicant") agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Camp Bethel, its officers, employees, and insurers from and against all liability, claims, and demands, which are incurred, made, or brought by any person or entity, on account of damage, loss, or injury, including without limitation claims arising

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from property loss or damage, bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, death, or any other loss of any kind whatsoever, which arise out of or are in any manner connected with the use of the facilities, whether any such liability, claims, and demands result from the act, omission, negligence, or other fault on the part of Camp Bethel, its officers, volunteers or its employees, or from any other cause whatsoever.

2. Applicant agrees that, in the event of any damage, loss, or injury to the facilities or to any property or equipment therein, Camp Bethel will charge the Applicant for such damage, loss or injury. Applicant further agrees that Camp Bethel may bill the Applicant for such damage, loss or injury. Applicant agrees it will within thirty (30) days of billing, reimburse Camp Bethel for the full amount billed by Camp Bethel.

3. In addition, in consideration for being permitting to use the facilities, Applicant, on behalf of itself, and its officers, employees, members, and invitees, hereby expressly exempts and releases Camp Bethel, its officers, employees, and insurers from and against all liability, claims, and demands, on account of injury, loss, or damage, including without limitation claims arising from property loss or damage, bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, or death, that Applicant may incur as a result of such use, whether any such liability, claims, and demands result from the act, omission, negligence, or other fault on the part of Camp Bethel, its officers, volunteers or its employees, or from any other cause whatsoever.

I \_\_\_\_\_ affirm and agree that:

1. I understand that the Camp Bethel does not allow its facilities to be used in a way that materially conflicts with its faith.
2. To the best of my knowledge, the purpose for which I am requesting use of the Camp Bethel's facilities will not contradict the Camp Bethel's faith, and I commit to promptly disclose any potential conflict of which I am aware or become aware of to Camp Bethel staff.
3. I have read this Facility Use Policy and Agreement for Use; I understand and agree to abide by it.
4. I understand that upon approval of my facilities use request, I will need to provide a security deposit in the amount of \$300, a certificate of insurance for at least \$1,000,000 of coverage, and any other fees required by the Camp Bethel.
5. I understand that an invoice will be given to me at the end of my event and is expected to be paid in full prior to leaving or as agreed upon in advance with the Executive Director.
6. I understand that I will be responsible for any damages to the Camp Bethel facilities resulting from this proposed use of facilities.
7. I understand that Camp Bethel, at its sole discretion, holds the right to cancel this event at any time, and for any reason.
8. I understand that I will lose my \$300 deposit if I cancel this event.
9. By signing, I agree to hold harmless Camp Bethel to the terms and conditions as stated within this document.
10. I understand that Camp Bethel believes disputes are to be worked out between parties pursuant to Matthew 18 and 1 Corinthians 6, without recourse to the courts. Accordingly, I agree to attempt resolution of any disputes through Christian mediation.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

----- OFFICIAL USE BELOW -----

Camp Bethel's Approval

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_