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President's Welcome

WELCOME!

Welcome to Let It Rain! Seattle is my old hometown—Penny and I spent the early years of our marriage here and it holds many formative memories for me. It's a joy to welcome you to this uniquely beautiful and iconic city. In recent years, we haven't been able to hold our conference in a large city center,



but this one provides some unique challenges and benefits. At the conference, I hope our eyes will be opened to the struggles some of our neighbors who live on city streets face. And, I trust we will leave here with a deeper appreciation for the benefit of ministry done in creation.

I don't want to miss anything God has for us this week — please join me in praying that we will have eyes to see and ears to hear what the Lord has planned. Whether as we attend seminars, worship together, share a meal or walk through the city during our few hours of free time, may we see and listen and feel the movement of God and plead with Him to Let It Rain in our ministries, in our lives and in this city.

Thank you for traveling and taking the time to attend the conference. The team at CCCA has been praying for YOU and we are eager to help make this an impactful week. Please don't hesitate to ask a member of the CCCA team if there's something we can do for you.

God bless you and your ministry,

Gregg Hunter

President/CEO, CCCA



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First-Timers' Welcome

Welcome to CCCA's 2024 National Conference! We have an exciting week ahead, and we're so glad you chose to spend it with us. During this time away, we hope you will discover new ideas, develop invaluable connections and leave refreshed.

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How to Get the Most Out of Your Conference Experience

CONNECT, CONNECT!

Take advantage of networking opportunities. Exchange ideas and encouragement with those you meet in the Exhibit Hall, at meals and in the hallways. Come early to sessions to connect with others seated around you. Ask questions during seminars.

JUST ASK

If you're not sure about something or can't find your way somewhere, just stop by a Member Relations yellow cart or ask a helpful greeter.

First-Timers' Welcome Video

Is this your first time attending a CCCA National Conference?
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Conference Schedule

Monday

8 a.m. — 7:30 p.m.	CCCA Registration Desk Open	Third Floor Pre-function Space
9 a.m. — 12 p.m.	Section Presidents' Symposium (by invitation only)	Room 702
12:15 — 2 p.m.	Section Presidents' Lunch (by invitation only)	Room 602
2 – 5 p.m.	Head Start Cohorts by Core A time to gather with others who hold the same job you do at your camp	
	Board/Governance Cohort	Room 305
	Business Development/Fiscal Management Cohort	Room 301
	EDs Over \$2M Cohort	Room 702
	EDs Under \$2M Cohort	Room 402
	Foodservice Cohort	Room 403
	Hospitality Cohort	Room 401
	HR Cohort	Room 404
	Marketing/Communications Cohort	Room 601
	Program Cohort	Room 302
	Resource/Fund Development Cohort	Room 405
	Site/Facilities Cohort	Room 701
5:30 – 7 p.m.	Opening Dinner lol Meals are for full-time paid attendees.	Fifth Floor
7:30 p.m. (Doors open at 7:15 p.m.)	General Session I Sponsored by RegFox RegFox	Regency Ballroom
	Exhibit Hall Grand Opening and Dessert ** Immediately following General Session	Columbia Ballroom

Tuesday

7-8 a.m.	CCCA Registration Desk Open	Third Floor Pre-function Space
8 a.m. (Doors open at 7:45 a.m.)	General Session II Sponsored by The One Camp App	Regency Ballroom BY CAMP CONNECTION

9:30 a.m. — 5:30 p.m.	CCCA Registration Desk Open	Third Floor Pre-function Space
10 — 11 a.m.	Seminar 1 (see page 28 for details)	
10 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open	Columbia Ballroom

Events subject to change. Meals offered are included for full-time registrants. Please see the Conference Registration Desk if you have any questions.





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Conference Schedule (continued)

Tuesday (continued)

11:15 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.	Seminar 2 (see page 31 for details)	
12:30 — 1:30 p.m.	Lunch *●I	Columbia Ballroom
3:30 — 5 p.m.	Seminar 3 (see page 33 for details)	
5:30-7 p.m.	Dinner 1●1	Fifth Floor
7:15 p.m. (Doors open at 7:00 p.m.)		Regency Ballroom EYROCK Leadership Development

Let It Rain Late Night

Third and Fourth Floor Foyers

Dessert and connecting immediately following General Session (see page 15 for details)

Wednesday

7—8 a.m.	CCCA Registration Desk Open	Third Floor Pre-function Space
8 a.m. (Doors open at 7:45 a.m.)	General Session IV Sponsored by Feathr	Feathr
9:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.	CCCA Registration Desk Open	Third Floor Pre-function Space
10 — 11:30 a.m.	Seminar 4 (see page 36 for details)	
11:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.	Box lunch 1●1	Provided in the foyer on third and fourth floors. Feel free to head to your seminar room to eat lunch.
12:30 — 1:30 p.m.	Seminar 5 (see page 38 for details)	
1:30 p.m.	Choose Your Own Adventure — Aftern	oon in Seattle (see page 12 for details)
	Dinner on Your Own (be back at hotel by 6:3	90)
7 p.m. (Doors open at 6:45 p.m.)	General Session V	Regency Ballroom

Thursday

Let It Rain Late Night

Immediately following General Session

8 a.m. (Doors open at 7:45 a.m.)	General Session VI		Regency Ballroom			
10:30 a.m.	Conference concludes					

Regency Ballroom

Choose Your Own Adventure

Explore the city of Seattle (Wednesday afternoon)

OPTION 1: PIKE PLACE MARKET

There's a lot to do at the iconic market, but here are our picks:

- Photo Op: Everyone needs an iconic selfie in front of the Pike Place Market sign. As you walk down Pike, stop at 1st Ave. for the perfect shot.
- ▶ Pike Place Fish Market: Yes, the fishmongers who throw the fish, right behind the large bronze piggy bank. This is probably one of the most famous stops in the market.
- ➤ The Gum Wall: It's gross, but if you have kids, they're going to ask if you visited it!
- ► The original Starbucks: Just across the street from the market at 1912 Pike Place.
- Beecher's Cheese: Stop by the window at 1600 Pike Place and watch them make their legendary cheese. Pick up a to-go dinner there if you're a fan of grilled cheese.
- ▶ Level Four Oddities: The fourth floor of the market is filled with strange and unusual shops and displays including the Golden Age Collectibles, the Magic Shop, the Big Shoe Show and the Old Seattle Paperworks. If you like strange and unusual this is your place.
- ▶ Vendor Stalls: These are a bit unpredictable, especially outside of the summer season, but you may find local dried cherries and nuts, Peruvian sweaters and local arts and craftspeople on the main level.

Dinner and other food options:

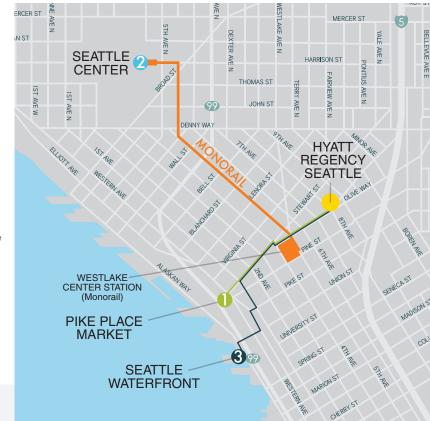
- ► The Pink Door 1919 Post Alley
- ▶ Post Alley Chowder 1530 Post Alley
- ▶ Best coffee in Seattle Storyville Coffee 94 Pike Street, top floor, suite 34
- ► Il Bistro 93 Pike Street
- ► Emmett Watson's Oyster Bar 1916 Pike Place
- ► Matt's in the Market 94 Pike Street

There are also a lot of fast food, sandwich and chowder options between the hotel and the market.

1 Walking to Pike Place Market:

Walking distance: 8 minutes from the hotel

- Exit the hotel from the main entrance and take a right to head west.
- ► Walk down Olive Way.







An afternoon and dinner out in Seattle: Wednesday afternoon you'll have a chance to explore Seattle since our hotel is right in the middle of things — a unique setting for a CCCA conference. Perhaps you're unfamiliar with the city and wonder how to spend your afternoon and an early dinner out. Well, we've got some ideas for you.

To make sure you don't miss the evening General Session, begin heading back to the hotel by 6:00 p.m.

Also, save money during your adventure with these offers for CCCA members at visitseattle.org/site/ccca2024.



OPTION 2: SEATTLE CENTER

The home of the 1961 World's Fair and Seattle's most recognizable building, the Space Needle. If you like pop culture, art glass and have always wanted to see the Space Needle, this is the place for you. Plus, you can get there easily via the famed monorail built originally for the World's Fair.

There's only one stop on the monorail, so you won't get lost! You'll get off at Seattle Center Station. Once you're there, here are our recommendations (all require tickets to enter):

- ▶ Space Needle: Head up for unbeatable views of Seattle.
- ▶ Chihuly Garden and Glass: Gorgeous glass art installations by Dale Chihuly.
- ▶ MoPop Museum: Explore music and pop culture exhibits.
- ▶ Pacific Science Center: Great for hands-on learning.

There are also a lot of fast food, sandwich and chowder options between the hotel and the market.

Dinner Recommendations:

- Collections Café (American, Chihuly Museum) 305 Harrison Street
- ➤ Taylor Shellfish Oyster Bar (Seafood, Melrose Market) 1521 Melrose Avenue
- ▶ Tilikum Place Café (European bistro fare) 407 Cedar Street
- Seattle Armory Food Hall (many food booths to choose from)
 right on the grounds of Seattle Center

Getting from the hotel to Seattle Center:

Accessible via the Monorail from Westlake Center Station (5th Avenue and Pine Street). The ride takes about 3 minutes.

- Walk from the hotel to the monorail at Westlake Center Station (6-minute walk).
- ▶ Take a right out of the hotel and head west on Olive Way.
- ▶ Take a left on 5th Avenue, then you'll reach Westlake Center.
- ► The monorail boarding is upstairs.

Purchase a ticket at the station kiosk for \$3.50 (round-trip tickets are \$7)

OPTION 3: SEATTLE WATERFRONT

The waterfront is a great place to just walk, pop into an interesting shop, grab a cup of coffee or ice cream and watch the ferries come and go. It's also the best place to buy souvenirs in the city. Stroll along the waterfront, enjoy the views and pop into shops or grab a bite by the water.

- ➤ Seattle Great Wheel Pier 57: Take a ride for stunning views of the city and Puget Sound. \$20
- Wings Over Washington Pier 57: A thrilling virtual flight over Washington's landscapes. \$21
- ▶ West Seattle Water Taxi: Catch the water taxi at Pier 50 and take a 10-minute boat ride to West Seattle/Alki. You get an incredible view of downtown Seattle from the water. Also, once you exit the ferry, grab a casual meal at Marination Ma Kai for great Hawaiian-Korean fusion grab-and-go.
- ▶ Ye Olde Curiosity Shop: A quirky shop for unique souvenirs.
- ▶ Simply Seattle: Classic Seattle-themed gifts and apparel.

Dinner Recommendations:

- ► Ivar's Acres of Clams (not just clams but fish and chips and other casual seafood dining) — Pier 54, 1001 Alaskan Way, Suite 102
- ▶ Windy City Pie 5918 Phinney Avenue North
- ▶ Miner's Landing Pier 57 (located near Wheel and Wings)
- ▶ Anthony's Pier 66 (waterfront fine dining) 2201 Alaskan Way

3 Walking from the hotel to the waterfront:

Walking distance: 15 minutes from hotel (some of that is up hills and long flights of stairs).

- Exit the hotel from the main entrance and take a right to head west.
- Walk down Olive Way. Once you reach 3rd Avenue, Olive Way will merge into Steward Street.
- ▶ Walk down until Steward Street intersects with 1st Avenue.
- Take a left onto 1st Avenue. Cross Pike Street, then take a right on Pike Street crossing the Market Information Center.
- ▶ Follow Pike Street until you have to take a left down Post Alley past The Gum Wall. Take a right on Union Street, a left on Alaskan Way and you'll end up on Pier 57. Or, just keep walking toward the water taking turns as you must.





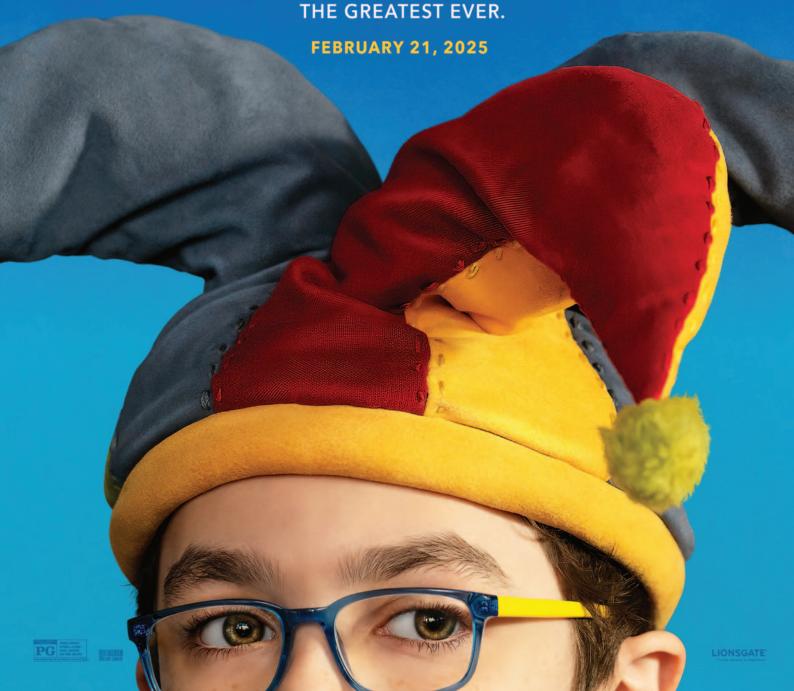


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THIS IS AUSTIN. HE'S PRETTY MUCH



Late Nights

Let It Rain Late Nights

Keep the energy going after each evening general session with nights packed full of connection, laughter and unforgettable moments!

MONDAY - EXHIBIT HALL

Head to the Columbia Ballroom for dessert and explore the Exhibit Hall, where businesses are eager to serve you and your camp or conference center. Open until 11 p.m. — don't miss this chance to connect and discover.



TUESDAY - DESSERT SOCIAL

Pick up dessert on the third and fourth floor foyers, then catch up with past friends and spark new connections that will outlast the conference. Use the Cvent app to message friends and make plans to meet up.



WEDNESDAY - THE UNBREAKABLE BOY SCREENING

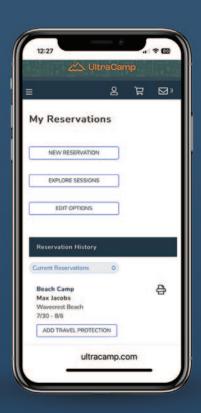
Stick around in Regency Ballroom for this heartwarming story of strength, resilience and joy. Grab some snacks and settle in for an evening that's sure to lift your spirits.

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We'll be open:

Monday: 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

► Tuesday: 7:00 to 8:00 a.m., then 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 to 8:00 a.m., then 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

COVID AND OTHER ILLNESSES

To support the health and safety of conference guests, we ask that if you have a fever, sore throat, a cough, muscle aches or other signs of illness, you do not attend conference sessions. CCCA has masks and hand sanitizer available at the Registration Desk upon request. We reserve the right to alter guidelines based upon local and national recommendations.

GOT QUESTIONS?

Stop by Member Relations' yellow carts. We're here to help! The carts will move around but will primarily be in the registration area on Monday.

CCCA CONFERENCE OFFICE

CCCA staff is ensuring the conference runs smoothly from the on-site office in Room 307.

NAME BADGES

When you check in at a registration kiosk, you'll receive a name badge. This will not only help you network with others, it is also your ticket to get into event functions, including meals, general sessions, seminars and the Exhibit Hall. If you lose this important badge, please come by the CCCA Registration Desk so we can help you get a replacement.

SPONSORS

Sponsor organizations (noted on page 3 of this program) not only keep our conference costs manageable, but also they make a difference in the Christian camping movement. Our sponsors' generosity speaks so well of them and the people we serve. Please take a moment to thank them for their critical contributions.

CONSULT WITH A LAWYER

Jon Ruybalid, CCCA's legal counsel, is available to consult with you during the conference. If you have questions or concerns regarding legal matters, be sure to make the most of this opportunity to speak with an expert. Contact Jon

directly at irlaw15@gmail.com or (402) 631-3384. Ion will also be at booth #511 in the Exhibit Hall.



SEMINAR EVALUATION

We'd love to know how things are going. You'll be asked to fill out a seminar evaluation in the Let It Rain app. Please complete it before leaving each seminar.

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Check the CCCA Registration Desk for missing items. CCCA is not liable for lost or stolen property.

CONSENT TO USE OF PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGES

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SOCIAL MEDIA

Share your conference posts with the hashtag:

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Join the social media challenge each day for a chance to win prizes! Make sure you use the hashtag #letitrain24.

- Monday: Pose with your team.
- Tuesday: Snap a photo or video from a General Session.
- Wednesday: Share a photo of Seattle.

Be sure to use #letitrain24 for your chance to win! We will announce the winner at the General Session on the following day.

CONFERENCE RECORDINGS

MP3 recordings of most seminars are available to order during the conference. Stop by the Piper Media Services tables located in the fourth floor foyer and seventh floor Regency Ballroom pre-function area.

Pricing details:

MP3s are \$10 each. These will be emailed or downloaded from www.piper.media.

A full set of MP3 audio is \$150. Please look for this icon for those seminars that will not be recorded at the request of the speaker. Due to copyright issues, none of the General Sessions are being recorded.



Platform Guests

RICH BAKER Emcee

Rich Baker is the pastor of communities at Arbor Road Church in Long Beach, California. His job is connecting people to the Lord as well as to one another. Prior to his current role at Arbor Road, Baker worked at Hume Lake Christian Camps (Hume, California) as the high school camp director for 14 years and received his master's degree at Liberty University. He and his wife, Allyson, have been married for over 15 years and have two children, August and Eisley.





EUGENE CHO Morning Bible Teacher

Rev. Eugene Cho's passions involve leadership, justice, the whole gospel and the pursuit of God's kingdom here on this earth. He travels throughout the world to speak and encourage churches, nonprofits, pastors, leaders, missionaries and justice workers.

Cho is the president and CEO of Bread for the World and Bread Institute, a prominent nonpartisan Christian advocacy organization urging both national and global decision-makers to help end hunger — both in the United States and around the world. He is also the founder and visionary of One Day's Wages — a grassroots movement of people, stories and actions to alleviate extreme global poverty. Before his current leadership role, Cho pastored local churches for nearly 30 years.

He is also the author of two acclaimed books, Thou Shalt Not Be a Jerk: A Christian's Guide to Engaging Politics, which was nominated for Christian Book of the Year and Overrated: Are We More in Love with the Idea of Changing the World Than Actually Changing the World? Cho and his wife, Minhee, have been married for nearly 30 years and have three adult children.





Kiki Edwards Worship Leader

Kiara (KiKi) Edwards is the pastor of worship at Northshore Community Church in Kirkland, Washington. Edwards studied ministry at Northwest University and has a heart to serve the Church. She spent a season of her life serving among the homeless in the Greater Seattle Area. Edwards has said, "the Lord revealed to me that no matter where I served — my calling and deepest joy would always be to love people."

Nona Jones General Session Speaker

Nona Jones is a rare combination of preacher, business executive, author and entrepreneur. She currently serves as the chief content and partnerships officer at YouVersion. Her corporate leadership includes serving as the head of Global Faith Partnerships at Meta, the company formerly known as Facebook, chief external affairs officer for a multi-state school for at-risk girls and public policy director for a multi-service utility company. Jones is the bestselling author of three books, including Killing Comparison, Success from the Inside Out and From Social Media to Social Ministry, the globally acclaimed guide to digital discipleship for churches. As a business executive and entrepreneur, Jones has been profiled by ESSENCE magazine as an "Under 40 Woman to Watch." She and her husband, Pastor Tim, lead Open Door Church in Gainesville, Florida, and are the proud parents of two boys, Timothy Jr. and Isaac, and one girl, goldendoodle Shiloh.





Brad Montague General Session Speaker

Brad Montague is a New York Times bestselling author/illustrator of books for kids and former kids. He is a highly sought-after speaker and performer whose encouragement brings hope and humanity to a wide variety of communities — from corporate to creative to classrooms around the world. Montague is the creator of the web series Kid President, the global social good movement Socktober, the bestselling picture book The Circles All Around Us and, most recently, the creativity-packed Fantastic Bureau of Imagination. His recently released picture book is FAIL-A-BRATION! Montague can be seen as the host of the television special The Kindness Project via The Magnolia Network on Max. He lives in Tennessee with his wife and collaborator, Kristi Montague, as well as their two children.

Kara Powell General Session Speaker

Kara Powell, Ph.D., is the executive director of the Fuller Youth Institute (FYI), helps lead the TENx10 Collaboration and is the chief of leadership formation at Fuller Theological Seminary. Named by *Christianity Today* as one of "50 Women to Watch," Powell serves as a youth and family strategist for Orange, and also speaks regularly at parenting and leadership conferences. She is the author or coauthor of a number of books including Faith Beyond Youth Group, 3 Big Questions that Change Every Teenager, Faith in an Anxious World, Growing With, Growing Young, The Sticky Faith Guide for



Your Family, Sticky Faith Curriculum, Can I Ask That?, Deep Justice Journeys, Essential Leadership, Deep Justice in a Broken World, Deep Ministry in a Shallow World and the Good Sex Youth Ministry Curriculum.

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▶ 1 - 7:30 p.m.

- ► After general session until 11 p.m. (T-shirt pickup)
- Tuesday
- ▶ 9:30 a.m. 7:15 p.m.
- ► After general session until 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday

▶ 9:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Location: Third Floor Foyer



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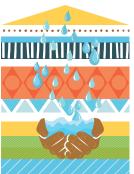
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Seminars: Overview Grid

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LOCATION	301	302	305	401	402	403
SESSION 1 Tuesday, Dec. 10 10 – 11 a.m.	Maximizing Productivity Through Deliberate Delegation Nate Parks	Camp Al: Revolutionizing Marketing and Operations Jon Bisset and Dan Steele	Strategy for Successful Succession Planning Tom Beaumont	Behavioral Threat Assessment Jason Russel	Top 10 Trends in Merchandise Caleb Harris and Lauren Vincent	5 Key Strategies for Master Plan Success Jackie Kaminsky
	LS	BF/MC	BG/LS	HR/L/P	MC	SF
SESSION 2 Tuesday, Dec. 10 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Maximizing Camps as Transformational Temporary Community Muhia Karianjahi	Making Camp Sustainable: Evaluating Programs and Staff Jon Bisset	A Board Prayer Dan Bolin	De-Escalation Training Jason Russel	Guest Communications: Too Much or Not Enough? Candice Myers	Trends in Design and Building Materials Dave Lee and Chad Fletemeyer
	C/LS/P	HR/P	BG	HR/L	HF/MC	SF
SESSION 3 Tuesday, Dec. 10 3:30 - 5 p.m.	Fostering Cultural Diversity at Camp Muhia Karianjahi	Personal Roadmap to Relationships Les and Leslie Parrott	Elevate Your Camp Cuisine Chef Charles Ramseyer	Critical Incident Response Training Jason Russel	Big-Impact Small Groups Duffy Robbins	Dealing With a Camp Crisis Jon Bisset
	C/LS/NG	HR/PS	HF	BF/HR/L/SF	₽	BF/MC
SESSION 4 Wednesday, Dec. 11 10 - 11:30 a.m.	Don't Fight the Feeling — Embrace It Jordy Barksdale	Cultivating Deep Marriage Relationships in the Midst of Ministry Minhee Cho and Laura Benton	Creating a Healthy and Thriving Board Culture Nate Parks and Ed McDowell	Leading and Executing Change Through Vision Brian Schroeder	Teenagers and God: Spiritual Formation in the Teen Years Duffy Robbins	Grow in Influence; Grow Your Leadership Javier Mendez
	₩ HF	PS	BG	C/LS	Ø C/NG/P	BF/LS/NG
SESSION 5 Wednesday, Dec. 11 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.	Defining Expectations and Maintaining That Standard Jordy Barksdale	What Is Everyone Else Ordering? Caleb Harris and Cliff Hutchinson	Board Chair and Executive Director Relationship Ed McDowell and David Goodnight	Crisis Communication Jason Russel BF/HR/	A Leadership Expedition Nate Parks	Measure What Matters: Create a Camp Dashboard Jon Bisset and Aubrey Westafer
	MR/LS	BF/MC	BG	L/MC/SF	LS/NG	BF/P

13 CORE DISCIPLINES

Use this key to find seminars that focus on your area(s) of interest. Also, see a listing of workshops by core disciplines on pages 24–27.

BF Business and Operations/ Fiscal Management

BG Board/Governance

Culture: Trends/Challenges

HF Hospitality and Foodservice

HR Human Resources

Legal, Compliance, Tax Issues, Risk Management LS Leadership: Vision, Mission, Values, Strategic Planning

MC Marketing/Communications

NG Next Generation

P Program

PS Personal/Spiritual Development

RF Resource/Fund Development

SF Site and Facilities

All seminars are recorded except those marked with

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404	405	601	602	701	702				
Becoming Customer Obsessed David Pham	The Power of Camp Study: New Insights From Camp Research (open) Jake Sorenson	Ideas for Escape Rooms and Puzzles Chris and Carrie Kallal	A Research- Based Approach to Staff Recruitment and Retention Donnie Keele, III	A Guide to Strategic Planned Giving Conversations Christy Boysen	Leading and Discipling Gen Z Staff Tanya Rodriguez Huber				
C/HF/MC	C/LS	P	C/ HR/NG	RF	HR/NG				
The Unchanging Gospel in a Changing World Kelsey Paterson	Is The Price Right? Evaluating Program Costs Stacie Saenz	Ideas for Teambuilding Chris and Carrie Kallal	Spotting and Responding to Employee Burnout Donnie Keele, III	Blessings in Abundance — Funding Your Mission Peter Swift	Leading Through Conflict Steve Garcia				
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- Don't Fight the Feeling Embrace It (Jordy Barksdale)
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SESSION 1

Tuesday, December 10 10 - 11 a.m.

Maximizing Productivity Through Deliberate Delegation

Nate Parks

LS ▶ Room 301

Productivity matters, so join this seminar as we discuss how leaders can maximize their productivity potential with others. At times the culprit is the gap in understanding when a project or task has been delegated. Imagine your leadership potential with clear and empowering delegation parameters. In this seminar, we will share five different levels used to unlock this potential.

Objectives:

- Identify the five different levels of delegation that will increase leadership capacity.
- Pass off a project or task to another person who will understand the entirety of the parameters and expectations required to deliver a mutually beneficial outcome.
- Delegate projects and tasks effectively with predictable outcomes and results.

Camp Al: Revolutionizing Marketing and Operations

Jon Bisset and Dan Steele

BF/MC ▶ Room 302

Join this seminar and discover how to maximize AI, including ChatGPT, to enhance your camp's marketing and operations. Learn practical strategies for engaging campers, streamlining administration and personalizing communication. This session offers actionable insights to propel your camp toward greater success through innovative technology.

Objectives:

- Gain a foundational understanding of AI, including what it is, how it works and its potential applications in a camp setting.
- Participants will discover how to leverage Al tools like ChatGPT to create targeted marketing campaigns, craft compelling messages and utilize data-driven insights to attract and retain campers.
- Receive numerous practical examples of how AI can enhance various camp applications.

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Strategy for Successful Succession Planning

Tom Beaumont

BG/LS ► Room 305

Leadership transition is a significant event for camp organizations, especially when it occurs at the executive level and the director has been in place for many years. Succession planning has to do with preparedness regarding that leadership change. It is (or should be) the longer-term effort toward this end. It should be the product of a proactive not reactive approach.

Objectives:

- Understand the definition of succession planning and who is involved in its planning.
- Know the difference between a succession plan and a contingency plan and how both need to be in place.
- Understand how a succession plan helps the camp be strategically healthy and sustainable for the future.

▶ Behavioral Threat Assessment

Jason Russel

HR/L/P ▶ Room 401

Behavioral threat assessment is a systematic process and methodology to identify threats and risks, assess the seriousness and potential for violence and manage, mitigate and prevent violence from other adverse outcomes. It is an evidence-based approach, developed from extensive research and practice, to provide your organization with the framework to investigate concerning behaviors and communications.

Objectives:

- 1. Identify the comprehensive response procedure.
- Select threat-assessment team members and documentation of support for students or employees in crisis.
- Integrate threat assessment into the broader framework of safety and security.

► Top 10 Trends in Merchandise

Caleb Harris and Lauren Vincent

MC ▶ Room 402

With their expertise in casual retail fashion, Caleb Harris and Lauren Vincent — creative leads at Ink will walk you through the top 10 trends in product, design and color for 2025, helping you curate more relevant and on-trend merchandise.

Objectives:

- Discover new lifestyle apparel and accessory products that are trending for the coming year.
- 2. Learn what fresh design trends are on the rise, and which older trends are starting to fade.
- 3. Understand how to blend various designs into a cohesive, marketable product line.

► 5 Key Strategies for Master Plan Success

Jackie Kaminsky

SF ► Room 403

A successful master plan is essential for the growth and sustainability of any organization. In this presentation, we'll explore five key strategies that can significantly impact the success of your master plan. From stakeholder engagement to long-term vision, these strategies will guide you toward effective planning and implementation.

Objectives:

- 1. Engage stakeholders effectively.
- 2. Align the plan with mission and vision.
- 3. Prioritize sustainability and resilience.

▶ Becoming Customer Obsessed

David Pham

C/HF/MC ▶ Room 404

Learn how to make your camp an unforgettable experience for guests while building a customer-obsessed culture of hospitality and service that mirrors the heart of Jesus.

- 1. Receive an overview of the basics of setting standards of service for your camp.
- 2. Explore how the world's leading brands turn customers into raving fans.
- 3. Discover how to make your own DNA and fingerprint of guest experience.



Seminars: Descriptions (continued)

SESSION 1 (continued)

► The Power of Camp Study: New Insights From Camp Research (open)

Jake Sorenson

C/LS ► Room 405

This seminar will draw insights from the newest research on camping ministry. We will explore how to apply these findings at your camp, which will aid in your marketing strategies and program development plans.

Objectives:

- 1. Review key insights from The Power of Camp 2024.
- 2. Apply these findings to ministry practices.
- 3. Develop marketing and program development action steps.

▶ Ideas for Escape Rooms and Puzzles

Chris and Carrie Kallal

P Room 601

Escape rooms are a fun and unique way to promote team bonding, critical thinking skills and problemsolving for the guests at your camp or conference center. Join this seminar and receive tons of ideas from room themes, locks, puzzles, technology, resources and more. Participants will receive a free e-book of all the ideas shared in the seminar.

Objectives:

- Be equipped with fundamental escape room concepts.
- Receive inspiration for creativity in escape room design.
- 3. Provide practical tools for implementation.

▶ A Research-Based Approach to Staff Recruitment and Retention

Donnie Keele, III

C/HR/NG ► Room 602

It's not just you — hiring and retaining staff is getting harder for camps each year. Some of the reasons seem obvious: internships, better pay and academic progress have all been factors for a while now. But is that just the way it is? Over the past year, UltraCamp conducted a study that explores how collegiate students think about and approach summer opportunities — asking what they value, when they plan and how they finalize their decisions.

Objectives:

- Receive an overview of the process and mechanics of the UltraCamp Summer Camp Employment Study.
- Explore study findings about collegiate views, attitudes and values pertaining to summer opportunities.
- 3. Condense findings into insights and strategies that might impact recruiting and retention.

➤ A Guide to Strategic Planned Giving Conversations

Christy Boysen

RF ▶ Room 701

This presentation will serve as an interactive crash course on guiding a donor through thoughtful, personalized philanthropic conversations that will honor their goals as they consider their role in meeting yours.

Objectives:

- Receive an overview of what is possible through strategic legacy planning: tax savings, impact to heirs and support for ministry.
- Identify questions to ask and things to look for when discerning a donor's interests and charitable giving opportunities.
- Discover external resources and vendors that can help process and facilitate asset/noncash gifts on behalf of your organization.

► Leading and Discipling Gen Z Staff

Tanya Rodriguez Huber

HR/NG ▶ Room 702

Our workforce of camp staff consists of young men and women of Generation Z, a generation with unimaginable potential and new challenges that many of us do not fully understand. This seminar will help you understand and engage your camp staff in mentoring relationships that this new generation is actually craving.

Objectives:

- 1. Identify and understand the questions Gen Z is asking.
- Apply what is known about Gen Z, to create valuable camping/working experiences.
- Provide Gen Z staff with community and mentoring relationships targeted toward spiritual and personal growth.

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SESSION 2

Tuesday, December 10 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Maximizing Camps as Transformational Temporary Community

Muhia Karianjahi

C/LS/P ► Room 301

Since time immemorial, God has used temporary communities to form His people. Jesus often took His disciples on road trips and retreats as He prepared them for ministry. Temporary communities happen when people gather for defined time periods with common purposes, often in locations separate from everyday, permanent communities. Their general format is exemplified by communal rites of passage which have definitive separation, liminal and reintegration. Join this seminar and discover how to maximize the transformational temporary community that occurs at camp.

Objectives:

- 1. Articulate the difference between temporary systems and permanent systems.
- Consider the role of temporary systems in the Scriptures and our everyday lives.
- Explore the structure of temporary communities and how to leverage their potential for camps.

Making Camp Sustainable: Evaluating Programs and Staff

Jon Bisset

HR/P ► Room 302

Have you ever had a hard time making an objective decision about which camp programs to keep and which to eliminate? Jon Bisset, executive director of River Valley Ranch, will show how their team regularly uses the nonprofit sustainability tool to objectively evaluate each of their camp programs based on impact and financial sustainability. In addition, Bisset will demonstrate how to use this same tool to assess your staff members by mapping their performance and alignment with your camp's core values.

Objectives:

- Objectively evaluate the impact of each camp program.
- Learn how to map camp programs on the nonprofit sustainability tool and make decisions about each program based on where it lands in the tool.
- Learn how to use this tool to evaluate your staff to make better decisions on their future with your camp.

► A Board Prayer

Dan Bolin

BG ▶ Room 305

Ministries rarely rise above the level of their boards. Boards set the standard for their ministry – good or bad. This seminar will explore seven God-honoring ways for board members to lead their ministries well.

Objectives:

- Understand the board's spiritual responsibility to the ministry.
- 2. Identify seven areas of potential board struggle.
- 3. Learn techniques to sustain the board's health.

▶ De-Escalation Training

Jason Russel

HR/L ► Room 401

Join us to improve your understanding of interpersonal communication and specifically address the ability to reduce the intensity of a conflict or a potentially violent situation by understanding both verbal and nonverbal communication strategies.

Objectives:

- 1. Recognize verbal and nonverbal warning signs of increasing aggression.
- 2. Develop strategies to build rapport and establish a positive connection.
- Understand active listening, speech mirroring and reflecting feelings.

Guest Communications: Too Much or Not Enough?

Candice Myers

HF/MC ▶ Room 402

Content, content, content. Daily, we are bombarded with an ever-increasing amount of communication, leading us to the potential for information overload. Understanding the functions and channels of communication is key to helping guest services teams develop an effective strategy for providing the information guests need, right when they need it.

- Develop a communication strategy by program.
- Understand the different functions of effective camp communication.
- Recognize the different channels of communication that will benefit guests.



Seminars: Descriptions (continued)

► Trends in Design and Building Materials

Dave Lee and Chad Fletemeyer

SF ▶ Room 403

Building design and construction are changing rapidly in response to new technologies and materials, changes in our culture and increasingly stringent building codes. Learn how your new construction projects should respond to these changes and opportunities to build facilities that are better tools for your ministry and can benefit your camp operation.

Objectives:

- Recognize trends in building codes and regulatory requirements that affect facility design and construction design.
- Understand cultural trends that are affecting facility design, as well as trends in building technologies and materials that are improving building construction, performance, energy consumption and durability.
- Be prepared to respond to these trends and new regulatory requirements and create new facilities that can be better tools for your ministry and reduce the life cycle costs of your buildings.

▶ The Unchanging Gospel in a Changing World

Kelsey Paterson

C/NG/P ► Room 404

The world and culture are constantly changing, yet the message of the gospel is unchanging. As we serve people in each generation, the generational needs and experiences will vary. Paterson's proposal is that each generation has a "doorway," an area of openness and interest, into hearing the unchanging gospel message.

Objectives:

- 1. Communicate the gospel effectively.
- 2. Explore the decline in biblical literacy today.
- Discover which "doorway" each generation is most open to hearing the unchanging gospel message.

▶ Is The Price Right? Evaluating Program Costs

Stacie Saenz

BF ▶ Room 405

From overnight to day camps, conferences to retreats, our various programs can have wildly different costs, even at the same facility. This session will provide a basic, camp-focused cost accounting and budgeting model to gain insights on pricing, staffing and efficiency, and offer practical tools for stewarding God's resources.

Objectives:

- Understand basic cost accounting/budgeting practices, cost centers and direct costs.
- 2. Understand indirect overhead allocation, choosing a driver and methods for recording.
- View helpful reports and dashboards and share camp case studies for application.

► Ideas for Team Building

Chris and Carrie Kallal

HR/P ▶ Room 601

Team building is vital to so many aspects of camp. Whether you're facilitating bonding among campers, families, summer staff or year-round staff, join this seminar and receive tons of ideas for team building. The activities provided are not complete how-tos or in-depth curriculum, but this seminar will share fun and unique ideas that can be implemented at camp as soon as you are back!

Objectives:

- Be inspired to facilitate dynamic and fun team-building activities.
- Receive practical implementation guidelines.
- Promote collaboration and communication within the teams of campers and staff at your camp or conference center.

Spotting and Responding to Employee Burnout

Donnie Keele, III

C/HR ► Room 602

Camp takes energy — a lot of energy. It might only be a few weeks, but that doesn't mean that factors like long days, energetic kids, near-constant problemsolving and novice self-management won't take a toll on your team. What does early burnout look like and what steps can you take to respond once you've spotted it?

Objectives:

- Clearly define burnout along with its contributing factors.
- Discover a systems-based coaching tool that helps staff measure and express their energy levels and experience.
- 3. Consider our own experience and response options pertaining to burnout.

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▶ Blessings in Abundance — Funding Your Mission

Peter Swift

RF ► Room 701

Fundraising often seems like a necessary evil, but it supports our ministries and it can be a ministry in and of itself. Adjusting our perspective on fundraising can maximize our success and create advocacy and opportunity for our donors. Incorporating easy-to-implement tips and sharing several case studies will provide examples for novices and fundraising experts to utilize.

Objectives:

- 1. Increase donations from existing funders.
- Incorporate new fundraising strategies.
- 3. Incorporate fundraising into your mission.

► Leading Through Conflict

Steve Garcia

LS/PS ▶ Room 702

Every ministry is made up of people, and people are messy. With diverse ways of thinking, differing opinions and divergent communication approaches, ministry can often be very messy too. This seminar focuses on communication methods and tactics that can be used through the processes of negotiation and conflict resolution. We will be honing in on critical skills necessary for success that every leader needs to lead through conflict.

Objectives:

- Identify critical communication concepts relating to negotiation and conflict resolution.
- 2. Recognize personality communication tendencies and personal conflict styles.
- 3. Gain active listening and assertive communication skills for stronger, engaged leadership.

SESSION 3

Tuesday, December 10 3:30 – 5 p.m.

► Fostering Cultural Diversity at Camp

Muhia Karianjahi

C/LS/NG ▶ Room 301

Christian camps in the U.S. wrestle with attracting ethnically and culturally diverse staff and campers that reflect the general population's changing demographic composition. This session will explore some of the reasons this might be so, and explore biblically sound ways of pursuing the brilliant vision of the kingdom of God in Revelation 7:9–10.

Objectives:

- Reflect on the landscape and demographics of Christian camping in the USA.
- 2. Explore possible barriers to diversity at camps.
- 3. Consider the discipline of lament as a handhold for seeking diversity.

► Personal Roadmap to Relationships

Les and Leslie Parrott

HR/PS ► Room 302

Join this seminar to receive access to Yada, a new, practical and state-of-the-art online tool to help you build stronger relationships. You will learn directly from its founders, Les and Leslie Parrott, and discover how Yada increases self-awareness, provides indepth personality insights, heightens one's curiosity quotient, reveals your fight type and so much more. A unique code will be given to the first 130 attendees in the room to take the personal assessment.

- 1. Receive in-depth insights into your personality.
- 2. Increase your self-awareness.
- 3. Better understand how you interact with others.





Seminars: Descriptions (continued)

SESSION 3 (continued)

► Elevate Your Camp Cuisine

Chef Charles Ramseyer

HF ▶ Room 305

Whether you run a small kitchen or a full-scale commercial operation, this seminar is designed for you. Camp chefs, come be equipped with fresh ideas for crafting exciting menus that delight campers, manage rising food costs and ensure consistency across all meals. Learn how to create lasting impressions from the first meal to the last, boosting camper satisfaction and enhancing your dining hall's reputation.

Objectives:

- 1. Design menus that excite campers while keeping costs per plate manageable.
- 2. Implement cross-utilization techniques to reduce waste and enhance efficiency.
- Maintain consistency and quality, even with limited staff and resources.

Critical Incident Response Training

Jason Russel

BF/HR/L/SF ▶ Room 401

Life-threatening emergencies can happen fast, and having the skills to effectively respond can reduce negative impact on your operation. Enhance staff coordination, communication and operational proficiency after participating in this seminar.

Objectives

- Understand primary response protocols and how they apply to different emergencies.
- 2. Recognize the impact of physiological reactions and how they impact emergency response.
- 3. Learn how the brain processes information and how decisions are made under stress.

► Big-Impact Small Groups

Duffy Robbins

P ► Room 402 Ø

Cabin times, discussion groups and family groups are all essential elements of camp ministry programming. But how can we use small groups intentionally and creatively so they yield maximum impact? This seminar will give you practical tools for how to think about, structure and plan effective small groups in your camp programming.

Objectives:

- Understand the flow chart of a healthy smallgroup experience.
- 2. Receive proven ideas for generating good discussion starters.
- 3. Gain principles to use as you train summer staff for small-group leadership.

▶ Dealing With a Camp Crisis

Jon Bisset

BF/MC ▶ Room 403

Crisis situations are unpredictable. In 2014, River Valley Ranch (RVR) (Manchester, Maryland) experienced a freak storm that took the life of a camper. Through this tragic situation, RVR learned some invaluable lessons that will help prepare you to deal with a potential crisis if it ever happens at your camp. Join executive director, Jon Bisset, to learn a framework you can use to effectively deal with the numerous challenges a crisis inevitably brings.

Objectives:

- 1. Learn what to expect during a crisis.
- 2. Be prepared to respond to a crisis.
- Receive tips to prevent a potential event from happening at your camp (particularly weather-related).

► Demystifying "Strategy"

Ryan Moore

LS ▶ Room 404

What does it mean to have a "strategic plan" or to use "strategic" thinking? They aren't just magical words; there are core best practices to use in creating good strategic plans and making strategic decisions. This workshop will demystify what it means to have a strategic plan for your camp and give you the tools to chart a course forward.

- Teach the difference between good strategy and bad strategy.
- Receive tools for strategic choices in the camp context.
- 3. Receive space for leaders to work through core strategic processes.



► The Power of Camp Study (closed session for survey participants)

Jake Sorenson

C/LS ► Room 405 **③**

This seminar is for participants in the 2024 The Power of Camp Study. We will walk through some of the initial data and answer questions about how to use the camp-specific data for program development and marketing.

Objectives:

- Gain insights into broad findings from the 2024 study.
- 2. Interpret camp-specific findings.
- 3. Develop an action plan for marketing and program improvement.

▶ Inclusion Starter Kit: Disability and Ministry

Emily Lovell and Diane Turnbull

C/P ▶ Room 601

Camp is for everyone! Engage with practical skills and foundational knowledge to expand your ministry to campers with disabilities. How do you equip yourself and your teams to serve campers with disabilities from the moment registration opens until they share with their families about the best week of their lives?

Objectives:

- 1. Explore biblical foundations of disability ministry.
- 2. Receive three practical steps to welcome campers with disabilities.
- 3. Equip summer staff to love all campers well.

Next Gen Leadership/ Internship Programs

Kelsey Paterson, Norm Hoyt, Rob Ribbe and Julie McClain

LS/NG ▶ Room 602

Several CCCA members have developed programs to help grow the next generation of leaders, whether through internship or gap-year programs, or programs that offer opportunities for college credit or degrees. Come and hear from members who represent a variety of next gen leadership programs.

Objectives:

- Learn what the panel found works best in their programs to grow new leaders.
- Discover how their programs are structured and run.
- Gain insights to start your own program and make connections with other programs that could benefit your next gen leaders.

► Fundraising? Nobody's Got Time For That!

Scott Shaw

RF ► Room 701

Fundraising feels like the necessary evil that we all must endure to keep our camps running. Nobody has time for that! What if there was a better way? What if fundraising was as much ministry as our chapel services or Bible times? In this workshop, Scott Shaw will give you some hands-on ways to make fundraising enjoyable and a big part of ministry for your camp. He will also give you helpful hints to make sure you have time for funding your camp.

Objectives:

- 1. Gain a vision for fundraising as ministry.
- 2. Receive tools that will make fundraising seem more doable and enjoyable.
- 3. Leave with resources that will help you have time for fundraising and grow your champion base.

► Leadership Lessons From the Donkey Pen

Brian Schroeder

C/LS/NG/PS ► Room 702

At Indian Hills, there are miniature donkeys in the farmyard and executive director Brian Shroeder gets in there every once in a while! It was while he was in the pen that he started developing an analogy of caring for the five primary areas of your organization. This seminar will look at those five major areas and discuss how we can invest in them. We will also touch on a few cautions about leading to ensure we as leaders are serving well.

- 1. Identify key areas of your organization that need tending.
- 2. Discuss practical, intentional investment into those areas.
- 3. Identify cautions of leadership.



Seminars: Descriptions (continued)

SESSION 4

Wednesday, December 11

10 - 11:30 a.m.

▶ Don't Fight the Feeling — Embrace It

Jordy Barksdale

HF ► Room 301 **②**

Feelings get a bad rap, but when it comes to your brand, feelings are everything. Join Jordy Barskdale, director of brand experience at Magnolia, as we look at the power of creating memorable experiences that turn your customers into fans and how to leverage your team to be the most effective brand ambassadors possible.

Objectives:

- Find specific moments where your brand is at its best.
- Determine areas of opportunities to create memorable feelings.
- 3. Empower your team to bring their entire selves to work each day.

► Cultivating Deep Marriage Relationships in the Midst of Ministry

Minhee Cho and Laura Benton

PS ► Room 302

Balancing the needs of ministry and marriage can be overwhelming, and without intentional care, both relationships can suffer. This seminar offers insights on how married couples can navigate these unique challenges by learning to cherish one another. By doing so, they can safeguard the boundaries of their marriage and deepen their spiritual connection with God.

Objectives:

- 1. Explore the role of "cherishing" in proactively protecting our relationships.
- 2. Develop practices of cherishing that strengthen the bonds within couples.
- Identify ways that those in ministry can deepen their bond with God despite the pressures of service.

Creating a Healthy and Thriving Board Culture

Nate Parks and Ed McDowell

BG ▶ Room 305

Everyone knows when they are a part of a board that lacks health. The more difficult question is how to bring back or build a healthy thriving board culture that maximizes the ministry and mission of your organization. This seminar will provide you with practical principles woven with real examples that will give you the tools you need.

Objectives:

- Understand that the board is a spiritual community brought together by God to steward a piece of His kingdom on Earth.
- 2. Implement practical principles to create a healthy board culture.
- 3. Receive tools to incorporate strong building blocks to build a healthy board culture.

► Leading and Executing Change Through Vision

Brian Schroeder

C/LS ► Room 401

This seminar will focus on discussions around identifying places in our organizations that need to be adjusted and how to effectively communicate the why, the what and the future that those changes will produce. Along with the presentation and discussion, we will look at a few examples of tools that can help create a culture of growth and adaptation.

- 1. Develop effective tools to communicate vision-driven change.
- 2. Discuss best practices and case examples.
- 3. Identify factors that affect team morale and adoption to change.

► Teenagers and God: Spiritual Formation in the Teen Years

Duffy Robbins

C/NG/P ► Room 402 **②**

What does it mean for a teenager to "accept Christ," and how do we understand that commitment in terms of two primary ministry contexts: Scripture and adolescence? What do we know about nurturing Christian commitment? How does that translate into the world of teenagers? This seminar will help you think about nurturing authentic faith in the lives of your teenage campers.

Objectives:

- 1. Identify basic principles of teenage spirituality and their relevance for camping ministry.
- 2. Consider the programming implications of what we know about teenagers and conversion.
- 3. Identify key emphases for building deeper faith in your teenage campers.

► Grow in Influence; Grow Your Leadership

Javier Mendez

BF/LS/NG ► Room 403

Many people make the mistake of thinking that leadership is about a position or a title. This seminar will teach that leadership is about influence. Learn to grow your influence so you can automatically grow your leadership and create a positive impact.

Objectives:

- 1. Understanding the power of influence.
- 2. Recognize how to grow your impact.
- 3. Identify how you want to positively influence those you are leading.

► Year-Round Staff Training

Rob Ribbe, Ed Covert and Bill Fernald

HR/LS ▶ Room 404

Come and hear about the impact and how you might implement a year-round training program at your camp. This past year, we provided a yearlong training program for 25 Salvation Army camp leaders from across the country and 60 camp leaders from around the world through Christian Camping International. It included in-person retreats and monthly online sessions with homework and reflection. It was life-changing for participants.

Objectives:

- Identify the value and impact of year-round training and development.
- 2. Understand the components of this program and how to provide the experience.
- 3. Recognize how to make online/remote learning a valuable transformational experience.

Current Legal Issues for Camps and Conference Centers

Jon Ruybalid

L ► Room 405

We'll identify and discuss current legal issues, legislation and legal decisions that could affect the governance, operational practices and legal compliance at your organization. Join this session to receive practical guidance from CCCA legal counsel Jon Ruybalid for navigating current legal and legislative issues such as avoiding donor deductibility disqualification and court challenges to faith-based hiring.

Objectives:

- Receive practical guidance for navigating current legal issues.
- Gain awareness of legal issues that may affect operations at your organization.
- 3. Implement precautionary measures to protect against potential threats from current legislation.

Paying Attention to Folks You Don't Want to Lose

Jim Hancock and Jim Henderson

HR/LS/NG ▶ Room 601 🗷

3Q Check-ins are an easy-to-learn, easy-to-maintain one-to-one check-in tool for building trust with the folks you manage. In just 15 minutes a month per direct report, you can increase alignment, retention, productivity and quality.

Objectives:

- 1. Discover the difference between listening and operationalizing attention.
- 2. Memorize the 10 words most employees and volunteers can't resist.
- 3. Get your hands on a tool that's so simple you'll wonder why you didn't invent it yourself.



Seminars: Descriptions (continued)

SESSION 4 (continued)

▶ International Hiring Panel Discussion

Diane Turnbull, Muhia Karianjahi, Gabby Hartmann and Christian Smith

C/HR ▶ Room 602

Even before the recent hiring crisis, several CCCA members found benefits to hiring international staff to join their team for the summer. Listen as a panel of CCCA members and the Camp USA program director from InterExchange discuss their experiences with the process of recruiting and managing international staff.

Objectives:

- 1. Understand how the process works and what's involved.
- 2. Receive the pros and cons these camps have experienced.
- 3. Learn best practices for integrating staff from other cultures into your team.

► Embracing the Donor

Nancy Nelson

RF ▶ Room 701

People donate where they know and trust the people running the organization. Embrace ways to develop genuine relationships with donors that lead to trust and increased commitment over time. Experience the joy when a donor is pulled so close that they feel the heartbeat of the organization and become part of something bigger than themselves.

Objectives:

- 1. Understand the process of developing the relationship and trust.
- Discover creative ways to say thank you or give "donor touches."
- 3. Learn how to move a donor with the capacity to increase giving.

New Ways to Meaningfully Engage Gen Z

Arthur Satterwhite, III

C/NG/P ▶ Room 702

The RELATE Project, sponsored by Young Life, explores adolescents' relationships with themselves, one another and faith. The project offers a new framework with insights that will help leaders better leverage close relationships, create belonging and invest in individuals' self-concept (i.e., identity and agency) to accelerate flourishing across their communities.

Objectives:

- 1. Develop an understanding of the RELATE model.
- 2. Apply the RELATE model to bolster your Gen Z workforce and volunteers.
- 3. Understand how data informs strategy as applied in the RELATE project.

SESSION 5

Wednesday, Dec. 11 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Defining Expectations and Maintaining That Standard

Jordy Barksdale

HR/LS ► Room 301 **②**

The success of a team hinges on the ability of the leader to clearly define the standard and lovingly hold the team to that standard. Join us as Jordy Barksdale of Magnolia details how clearly defined expectations create a work environment where teams can truly thrive.

Objectives

- Ensure your team knows exactly how to succeed.
- Lovingly hold your team accountable to the set standard.
- Inspire and motivate your team around a common goal.

▶ What Is Everyone Else Ordering?

Caleb Harris and Cliff Hutchinson

BF/MC ► Room 302

Ever wish you could peek behind the curtain and see what others are ordering? In this seminar, Caleb Harris and Cliff Hutchinson — sales and marketing directors at Ink will offer that insider perspective, giving you a behind-the-scenes look at product trends and purchasing patterns.

Objectives:

- Learn how to select an effective product assortment that will sell without competing against itself.
- 2. Understand how to demystify the selection of quantities, sizes and colors.
- Discover what other camps and conference centers your size are purchasing.

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▶ Board Chair and Executive Director Relationship

Ed McDowell and David Goodnight

BG ► Room 305

A healthy board chair and executive director relationship is key to the overall board effectiveness. From vetting ideas, cultivating trust and planning effective meetings, this relationship takes intentional time, investment and commitment to each other. Listen to board chair David Goodnight and CEO Ed McDowell of Warm Beach Camp Ministries (Stanwood, Washington) talk openly about the sacred trust of this relationship and how it impacts the effectiveness of the board.

Objectives:

- Be prepared to execute highly effective board meetings.
- 2. Cultivate a high-trust environment between the board chair and executive director.
- 3. Tend to the board as a spiritual community called by God.

► Crisis Communication

Jason Russel

BF/HR/L/MC/SF ▶ Room 401

Crises are inevitable and unpredictable. No matter the type or scale of the crisis, it can have a negative impact on your organization's image, finances and relationships. That's why employees need to be trained on how to communicate effectively during a crisis. Crisis communication training can help them understand the situation, identify the key messages, choose the appropriate channels and address the concerns of different audiences.

Objectives:

- Learn the difference between an emergency and a crisis.
- 2. Develop key messages for relevant stakeholders.
- 3. Understand the importance of documentation and understanding of potential liability risks.

► A Leadership Expedition

Nate Parks

LS/NG ▶ Room 402

Whether you are a seasoned leader or a NextGen leader, unlocking your leadership potential requires an intentional and purpose-driven strategy. Understanding your expedition is filled with signs and wonders gives you clarity on what your next expression and expansion might be. "Where I am and where I am going on my leadership journey" are the themes embedded in this principles-driven leadership seminar.

Objectives:

- Look at your leadership (or that of their subordinates) and identify the next steps on your leadership journey.
- 2. Navigate your next leadership chapter and help someone you are leading to do the same.
- Position your current leadership location and chart your next move using the precepts and principles laid out in this seminar.

Measure What Matters: Create a Camp Dashboard

Jon Bisset and Aubrey Westafer

BF/P ► Room 403

Tracking key metrics for your camp is essential but can be costly if you have to purchase a tool. In this session, Jon Bisset and Aubrey Westafer from River Valley Ranch (Manchester, Maryland) will show how they have created several camp-specific Google Sheets that all feed into a one-page real-time dashboard. They will also show various other tools they use to measure the most critical parts of camp.

Objectives:

- Create a tracking tool for each camp program using Google Sheets.
- Create a one-page dashboard that consolidates all critical data into one automated, real-time executive dashboard.
- 3. Receive examples of how River Valley Ranch uses Google Sheets to measure various critical camp data points, including camp enrollment, staff hiring tracking and customer zip-code mapping.

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Seminars: Descriptions (continued)

SESSION 5 (continued)

Reaching the Right People Through Data-Driven Marketing

Candice Myers

MC ► Room 404

Most ministries are facing a similar challenge — there's more to do than resources allow. Whether you're facing shortages of time, budget or specialized skills, there are ways to maximize what you do have where marketing is concerned.

Objectives:

- 1. Understand the necessity of tracking your efforts.
- Discuss how to develop a comprehensive marketing strategy.
- 3. Better understand your target market and recognize how to reach them.

Seek and Find: The Journey of Well-Being

Tracey Gaslin

C/NG/P/PS ► Room 405

Camp is an amazing ecosystem that promotes the attributes of safety, support, connectedness and contribution. As we strive to care for others, we need to identify how we are integrating aspects of well-being in our programs. This session will highlight the value of each individual and the power of simple tools to navigate developmental experiences for youth and adolescents in our care.

Objectives:

- 1. List two components of well-being.
- 2. Identify the valuable aspects of healingcentered engagement.
- 3. Recognize the connection of thoughts, feelings and behaviors.

➤ 50 Ways for Summer Staff to Be Awesome

Chris and Carrie Kallal

HR / P ▶ Room 601

You won't want to miss this seminar if you run staff training at camp. We'll share how to teach staff 50 different ways to be awesome so they can grow as leaders and be prepared to serve in ministry. This session will be a high-paced rundown of simple techniques anyone can use. Participants will be provided with a free e-book of all the ideas.

Objectives:

- 1. Empower your staff.
- Be inspired and inspire others with creativity and innovation.
- 3. Promote team building and collaboration.

► Interview Workshop

Dan Steele

HR ▶ Room 602

Interviewing is more than a Q & A session. It takes skill and intention to truly get to know the applicant. In this seminar, attendees will be allowed "behind the curtain" of the interviewer's mind as they sit in a live interview. The presenter will pause at key points of the interview to offer tips and tricks that will take your interviewing skills to the next level!

- 1. Watch a staff interview with an attendee sitting as the "applicant."
- Take a look "behind the curtain" as the presenter stops at key points of the interview to explain how to fashion the interview.
- 3. Gain confidence as you approach your own upcoming interviews.

► Creating Experiences for Kids

Colette Taylor

NG/**P** ► Room 701

Join this seminar and discover how to create experiences that move kids to hope, discover, care, connect and feel seen. From how to host a creative meeting to the elements of incredible experiences, this seminar will be your comprehensive guide to planning and executing programs kids love to attend. Let's create experiences that move kids toward an everyday faith and a better future.

Objectives:

- 1. Discover how to have effective meetings so that the team can plan an experience.
- Be prepared to engage kids through worship and creative storytelling.
- 3. Understand the importance of evaluating and adjusting programs as needed.

► Supercharge Your Sales Strategy

David Pham

MC ▶ Room 702

Discover key practices and practical steps to crafting an effective sales strategy while still accomplishing your ministry goals. We'll dive into the world's most successful and admired companies and their processes, and also learn how customer obsession can lead to a growing and thriving camp ministry.

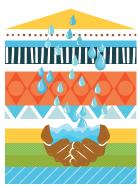
Objectives:

- Explore Amazon, Apple and other admired companies' sales processes.
- 2. Discover how to be customer obsessed.
- 3. Build a framework for a functional sales pipeline.

Presenters









Let It Rain

Jordy Barksdale



Jordy Barksdale serves as the director of brand experience for Magnolia, where he focuses on creating a consistent and world-class experience across all of their guest-facing business units in

Waco, Texas. After graduating from LSU, Barksdale worked full-time in camping ministry at Pine Cove (Tyler, Texas) for four years. He is passionate about establishing healthy company culture and strategically creating a memorable visit for traveling guests. He joined the Magnolia family in 2016 and has seen firsthand the hard and thrilling parts of a brand that has gained an international audience and draws over 1 million guests a year to the Silos.

▶ Tom Beaumont



Tom Beaumont is a strong leader with more than 40 years of experience in Christian camping leadership. He recently retired as executive director at The Firs (Bellingham, Washington), where he

served for 36 years. He held additional roles at The Firs such as day camp director, adult and family program director and business manager. Prior to The Firs, Beaumont was the executive director of Trout Creek Bible Camp (Corbett, Oregon). He has served three terms on the board of CCCA and held the position of vice chair and chairman of the board development committee. Currently, he serves as a section ambassador of CCCA to help strengthen the Sections of the association. In addition, he has spent time as a coach with the Thriving Boards team and believes in the health and wellness of board development. Connect with Beaumont at www.storyandfaith.com.

Laura Benton



Laura Benton, LMFT, has been practicing as a licensed marriage and family therapist for over 21 years and is passionate about the thriving of individuals, families and faith communities. Benton has

served as a clinical supervisor in community mental health and nonprofit counseling settings, has counseled academics and seminarians, has served pastors and ministry leaders in various settings and is currently in private practice in Seattle, Washington. She and her husband, Matt, have lived a wild faith adventure in their 25 years of marriage, and together they run a professional taxi and laundry service for their two active (and fun!) teenagers. Connect with her at www.laurabentoncounseling.com.

Jon Bisset



Jon Bisset is the executive director of River Valley Ranch (RVR), a camp and conference center in Manchester, Maryland. He has a B.A. from Towson University and an M.A. from Wheaton College.

Bisset worked as a community organizer in low-income neighborhoods outside Chicago before becoming director of RVR. He served for 10 years on the Maryland State Board of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and is currently on the board of Curium Outreach, which serves the poor in Nogales, Mexico. He has presented at ACA Tri-State and CCCA National Conferences. Bisset enjoys gardening, playing chess, running with his dog Sadie and climbing the leaderboard on his Peloton. Jon and his wife, Courtney, have two children, Anna and Aidan.

▶ Dan Bolin



Dan Bolin has dedicated over 40 years to Christian camping ministry, with roles at Pine Cove Camps (Tyler, Texas), Christian Camping International and a 12-year tenure on the board of

Christian Camp and Conference Association, including two years as chair. He has authored 12 books, spoken internationally and led numerous ministry conferences. Bolin writes a weekly devotional blog, *Refueling in Flight*, and teaches outdoor ministries courses. He holds graduate degrees from Dallas Seminary, Le Tourneau University and Denver Seminary. Bolin and his wife, Cay, reside near Washington, D.C., close to their daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren.

▶ Christy Boysen



Christy Boysen is the owner and head legacy planning consultant at Apex Legacy Consultants, where she specializes in planned giving strategy and helping donors imagine how they can align

their values with their finances through legacy planning. She's helped clients establish legacy planning programs that educate and capitalize on tax-efficient charitable tools. She's inspired donors to commit hundreds of millions of dollars to loved ones and their favorite causes. She holds a Master of Arts in higher education, a certificate in fundraising management and is a fellow in charitable estate planning.

Minhee Cho



Minhee Cho has been serving individuals, families and communities including churches as a licensed marriage and family therapist for about 15 years. She has provided counseling for children, teens,

couples and families from different cultural, social and family backgrounds (i.e. immigrants, refugees, foster and adoptive families). She also leads psycho-education classes and seminars about mental illness, parenting, premarital and marriage enrichment. Cho has both a deep passion and personal experience in helping churches and communities, specifically Korean and Asian American churches, where staff and congregations are seeking to learn about reconciliation and healthy relationships since churches are a very important place for many Asian Americans.

▶ Ed Covert



Ed Covert is husband to Maryann, dad to Taylor and Claire, son to officer parents and is a committed Christ follower. His journey in Christian camping began in the pots and pans sink at Camp

Elephant Rock where the Lord captured his heart for the ministry, power and influence of camp. Covert serves on staff at Redwood Glen (Scotts Valley, California) and has had the privilege to be involved with The Salvation Army's camping ministry for many years in the Western Territory and now serves also as the Army's national camp liaison. He loves to surf, fly-fish, watch baseball and eat ice cream.

Bill Fernald



Bill Fernald serves as the CEO of Christian Camping International (CCI), an alliance of 27 associations representing 80 countries and reaching over 10 million campers worldwide. Fernald

has been involved in Christian camping for 33 years, beginning at Sugar Pine Christian Camps (Oakhurst, California) and then 27 years on the ministry team at Mount Hermon Christian Camps and Conference Center (Felton, California) serving in various roles in program, marketing, guest services and international ministries. He has a heart and calling for unity in Christ through interdenominational and intercultural ministry collaborations.

Chad Fletemeyer



Chad Fletemeyer is a planner, project manager and principal for Fletemeyer & Lee Associates. With over 29 years of experience in the fields of land-scape architecture, planning and construction

management, combined with a lifelong passion for Christian camping, he brings a broad perspective to each project. As a project manager, he is proficient in pre-design, planning, constructibility/feasibility assessments, design implementation, project estimating, permitting and government approval and construction administration. Fletemeyer has been on the project design team for over 40 camps and retreat centers across the United States and abroad.



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Steve Garcia



Steve Garcia is the founder and president of TM Camping. Having been employed at Thousand Pines Christian Camp (Crestline, California) since 2002, and after 27 years in full-time Christian min-

istry, Garcia launched TM Camping, a camp management company, at the end of 2022. TM Camping consists of eight camping companies in various locations, specializing in Christian camping, conference center management and outdoor adventure recreation. Garcia has an MBA from the University of Redlands, and he teaches negotiation and conflict resolution courses in the School of Business at California Baptist University.

► Tracey Gaslin



Tracey Gaslin completed her Ph.D. in educational and organizational leadership and taught for 10 years, specializing in pediatric development, service leadership and research on gratitude. Gaslin

publishes the majority of her work in the areas of pediatrics, camp nursing, behavioral health and service leadership and has co-authored several texts. She currently serves as the chief executive officer for the Alliance for Camp Health where she travels and trains individuals regarding health services and well-being of youth and young adults. She continues to be an active speaker, writer and publisher representing the "Leading Voice in Camp Healthcare" to promote hope and healing in youth-serving programs across the U.S. and Canada.

David Goodnight



David Goodnight is an experienced trial lawyer in major disputes. He is in his 36th year of law practice and thoroughly enjoys it. He is a trusted advisor to public and private clients and his work

includes commercial, land use, partnership, construction and tax and telecommunications litigation. Goodnight has tried cases to juries and judges in various state and federal courts throughout the U.S. and has obtained several of the largest jury trial verdicts in Washington. Goodnight served as a law clerk for the 10th Circuit of the United States Court of Appeals (1988–1989) and in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana (1986–1988). He currently serves as the board chair for Warm Beach Christian Camp (Stanwood, Washington).

Jim Hancock



Following two decades as a youth worker, and most of another in a commercial film house, Jim Hancock launched a solo practice as The Tiny Company Called Me — designing content that helps organi-

zational leaders create safe spaces to talk about unsafe things. These days, he is at home working on human resources among tall trees and blackberry brambles in Seattle.

Caleb Harris



Caleb Harris equips organizations with better merchandise solutions. For 12 years, his skills in creative direction, merchandise marketing and modern e-commerce have helped retail brands and

special events bring better apparel and promotional products to market. He currently serves as senior vice president of business development at lnk!, where he enjoys creating, shaping and growing opportunities with a team of likeminded people. Harris lives in Little Rock, Arkansas, with his wife and three kids.

Jim Henderson



Jim Henderson's innovative work in crossing the difference divide has been reported by *The Wall Street Journal* and *USA Today* and featured on *This American Life* with Ira Glass. Henderson is a serial

entrepreneur, a producer of films and live events, an organizational leadership coach and the author of eight books. He is at home in Seattle. You can reach him at jimhenderson@humaneresources.me.

Cliff Hutchinson



Cliff Hutchinson helps guide organizations through the process of creating custom branded merchandise from concept to commerce (and everywhere in between). He serves as the director of account

management at Ink! where he enjoys connecting with clients and fostering meaningful partnerships through a consultative approach. Hutchinson resides in Little Rock, Arkansas, with his wife, and can typically be found in the great outdoors when he's not helping bring someone's creative vision to life.

Carrie Kallal



Carrie Kallal currently serves as the guest services director at Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp (Greensburg, Indiana). Starting as a counselor in training in 1999, Kallal moved up to girls staff

director, dining room hostess, craft person, camp store director, canteen manager, bookkeeper, assistant director, foodservice director and now guest services director. In her spare time, she enjoys crafting, escape rooms, testing out new recipes and talking camp!

► Chris Kallal



Chris Kallal is the executive director at Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp (Greensburg, Indiana). Kallal has been in camp ministry for 24 years, which includes years at Camp Manitoumi, Ingersoll

Scout Reservation and Camp Good News in Illinois. Kallal cohosts the SCamp-Life Podcast, where he talks all things camping. Kallal also teaches his Steal This classes around the world at different conferences and has written 15 books of ideas for camps. During what little free time he has, he loves to search online for the newest, neatest things to implement into his camp and visit other camps to "steal" ideas from them! He loves camp (he has spent every summer since third grade at a camp) and loves telling others about camp.

▶ Jackie Kaminsky



With over 15 years of experience in camp and retreat center design, Jackie Kaminsky actively encourages others to be involved in the planning process and helps clients see new opportunities

they may not have thought of. She is passionate about designing outdoor spaces that create a sense of community. She is a deeply respected collaborator with key camp staff professionals, stakeholders and consultants. Her responsibilities include master planning, camp design, landscape architecture, graphics, business development and project management.

Muhia Karianjahi



Muhia Karianjahi is a Kenyan Christian camp enthusiast who has been living in the USA with his wife, Marcy, and two grown sons for the last 11 years. Though initially a civil engineer, he became a

wilderness instructor for an outdoor school in 1991. He gave his life to Christ after clearly hearing God's voice through the great outdoors. Later, Karianjahi was involved in the early days of Tanari Trust, a Kenyan nonprofit that trains churches in camp-based youth ministry innovations such as rites of passage. He was the founding chair of African Christian Camping (CCI/EA). He is now an assistant professor at Litfin Divinity School at Wheaton College, at their Honey-Rock Center for Leadership Development in Wisconsin.

▶ Donnie Keele, III



Donnie Keele, III is a learning and development professional and certified coach who specializes in helping others discover and share what makes them unique and gives them purpose. Equipped

with degrees in mass communication and campus chaplaincy as well as over 15 years of experience split between summer camp administration and university student affairs and development, he now produces digital media and learning engagements for UltraCamp in Niles, Michigan. His current focus is helping camp professionals make sense of complex and shifting demands so they can continue growing as exceptional leaders who provide transformational experiences for campers and staff alike.

Dave Lee



Dave Lee is the architectural principal of Fletemeyer & Lee Associates, located near Boulder, Colorado. The firm is a CCCA Business Member serving the Christian camp and confer-

ence center industry for over 35 years. This includes more than 200 camp and conference centers throughout the U.S., Canada and overseas, providing architecture, landscape architecture and master planning services. Lee has a master's degree in architecture, is a licensed architect and member of the American Institute of Architects. He has served as a board member of Highlands Camp in Colorado and various Christian nonprofit organizations, and he and his wife have served as volunteer leaders in their church's college ministry for 35 years. Lee's mission and passion is creating places that nourish the soul.

► Emily Lovell



Emily Lovell serves as program director for Upward Bound Camp (Gates, Oregon). She designs camp experiences for adults with disabilities and equips staff to love campers following

Christ's example. Lovell is a certified recreational therapist and received her M.A. in outdoor and adventure leadership at Wheaton College. Her graduate work aims to bridge camping and disability ministries. She seeks to see and celebrate the Imago Dei in everyone's uniqueness. Lovell was called to disability ministry after her own disability led her to Christ as a teenager. She has 10 years of experience working with people with disabilities and five years in camping ministry.

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► Ed McDowell



Ed McDowell is the CEO of Warm Beach Camp Ministries (Stanwood, Washington). He also coaches and consults in the areas of board leadership and development to bring fresh perspectives

to perplexing situations. McDowell is the author of a devotional series titled A Well-Planted Faith in an Uprooted Culture. The goal of his writing and speaking is to challenge people to have God's Word inform the way they live. McDowell and his wife, Bev, live on Camano Island, Washington, where they live out their life mission statement: "To give our lives away for the cause of Jesus Christ to as many people as possible."

Javier Mendez



Javier Mendez is the founder and director of Love Encourage Give Inspire Teach (LEGIT, Inc.), a nonprofit organization dedicated to transforming lives through missions. LEGIT employs a three-part

system of evangelism strategy: small groups, weeklong day camp and monthly follow-ups. In addition, Mendez is a John C. Maxwell certified speaker, trainer and coach. He leads seminars and trainings on the Maxwell system of leadership. Mendez has over 20 years of experience in working with at-risk youth in both the faith-based and public sector. He has traveled globally to empower various organizations. His passion lies in equipping and inspiring young people to realize their potential and become the leaders they were meant to be.

Ryan Moore



Ryan Moore is a consultant with Kaleidoscope, Inc., a national firm that works exclusively with camps and retreat centers to help them thrive. Prior to joining Kaleidoscope, Moore's career was

marked by moving multiple organizations through change and seasons of tremendous growth. Moore has great skills in strategic leadership and analysis, working well with clients to gain clarity in purpose and visioning potential models for the future.

Candice Myers



Candice Myers serves as the vice president of sales and marketing for Sky Ranch Christian Camps (Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma). Her relationship with Sky Ranch and Christian camping began

in 2004, when she and her husband were called to the ministry to evaluate and expand the horse and rodeo program. Myers' background includes experience in television news,

commercial production, freelance writing and customer service. A seasoned speaker, singer and songwriter, she has been involved in full-time ministry work for over 25 years.

Nancy Nelson



Nancy Nelson has been in Christian camping since 1975 and she has been at Warm Beach Christian Camps and Conference Center (Stanwood, Washington) since 1977. She has worked full time in the

development field for over 26 years and is currently the director of donor relations. Since 2010, Nelson has served on the faculty of the essentials of development training program for nonprofits, sponsored by the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust. She has presented at CCCA events throughout the U.S. and Canada. Nelson is the author of *Stories of Sheer Pure Grace*. She and her husband, Stan, have two married children and six grandkids who live nearby and are the center of their lives.

Nate Parks



Nate Parks serves as the president/CEO of Berea Ministries in New England, which is comprised of three camps in three different counties and two different states plus a regional event conferencing

ministry. He is known for his creativity and unique perspective in seeking solutions for organizations. In addition to holding a master's degree in business and an undergraduate degree in Bible, Parks is a national speaker and consultant, always challenging people to look beyond their personal or organizational boundaries for maximum impact.

Les and Leslie Parrott



Les and Leslie Parrott are #1 New York Times' bestselling authors whose books have sold over 5 million copies including the Gold Medallion winner, Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts. Other titles

include Love Talk, Trading Places, The Good Fight and Crazy Good Sex. They are also contributors to the updated edition of The 5 Love Languages with Gary Chapman. The Parrotts are cofounders of eHarmony and they are also founders of three acclaimed online assessments: SYMBIS (SYMBIS.com), Better Love (BetterLove.com) and Yada (Yada.com). The Parrotts have been featured in USA Today, The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal. Their television appearances include CNN, Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, The Today Show, The View, Fox and Oprah. They live in Seattle. Learn more at www.lesandleslie.com.

▶ Kelsey Paterson



Kelsey Paterson is the director of Ponderosa Lodge and the intern program at Mount Hermon Christian Camps and Conference Center in Santa Cruz. California. She has been on staff and

involved in youth and young adult ministry at Mount Hermon since 2008 and is currently the section president of the CCCA Sierra Pacific Section. She received her B.A. in graphic design from Point Loma Nazarene University and her M.A. in ministry and leadership from Western Seminary. One of her favorite aspects of youth ministry is how creative processes can be used to build opportunities for students to take one step closer to Jesus, as they hear the gospel message of God's incredible story of redemption that is woven throughout the Bible.

David Pham



David Pham has served in ministry for over 15 years. Giving his life to Christ at camp as a child, Pham grew up spending his summers at camp until going into full-time camp ministry in 2006. He then

shifted into church ministry and spent over a decade serving at some of the largest and fastest growing churches in America. After his time in church ministry, Pham had a successful career in software sales. Today, he serves as vice president of retreat ministries at Camp Cho-Yeh (Livingston, Texas), where he finds joy in helping see lives transformed by Jesus through meaningful relationships and outdoor adventures.

Chef Charles Ramseyer



Charles Ramseyer has been with US Foods for nine years and previously trained in classic cooking at a 3-star hotel in Zurich. His extensive career includes roles as chef and executive chef at Hilton

and Four Seasons Hotels in cities around the world including Beijing, Singapore, Shanghai, Tokyo, Vancouver, Seattle and Santa Barbara. He now refines his expertise in NW seafood at Ray's Boathouse. In 2007, Ramseyer opened his own Pacific NW seafood restaurant, Wild Salmon Restaurant, in Manhattan. He resides in West Seattle with his wife of 22 years, Lisa, and their two dogs and three cats. His interests include fusion and classic cooking, golf, gardening and traveling to visit family and make new friends.

Rob Ribbe



Rob Ribbe is a professor and academic programs director at HoneyRock, The Center for Leadership Development of Wheaton College. He is program director of the master's degree in outdoor and

adventure leadership, teaching courses on spiritual formation, organizational leadership, leadership development

and on the theology and practice of outdoor ministry. Ribbe was executive director of HoneyRock from 2000–2023, after serving in program leadership for over a decade. His passion is fostering the development of disciple-making leaders for the Church and society worldwide through the camp ministry context. He has authored over a dozen articles on these topics and recently coauthored the book *Leaders Yet Discovered: Experiential Leadership of Emerging Leaders*. He has been married to Jackie since 1991. They have four adult children and three daughters-in-law.

▶ Duffy Robbins



Duffy Robbins, professor of Christian ministry at Grove City College, Grove City, Pennsylvania, is a longtime friend at CCCA. His warm conversational style, quick sense of humor and unique

ability to make Scripture come alive has made him a popular speaker for numerous family camps, men's retreats and conferences, as well as congregations, parenting seminars and college chapels.

▶ Tanya Rodriguez Huber



Tanya Rodriquez Huber has worked with adolescents for almost 30 years. As a high school teacher and Young Life volunteer, she has never stopped learning how to reach the next generation

with the good news that grows them into the adults they were meant to be. As a student of teenagers and young adults, she has served as a director, speaker and head leader at outreach camps for middle schoolers, high schoolers and teenage parents. Currently, she is on staff with the mission of Young Life as an associate regional director and trainer for staff and volunteers equipping them for their camp assignments and field ministries. Rodriguez Huber lives in Spokane with her husband, Jeff, and two children.

Jason Russel



Jason Russel is the founder and president of Secure Education Consultants (SEC) and is recognized nationally as a subject-matter expert in safety and security. He leads a team of former federal law

enforcement agents, police officials and military specialists, delivering White House-level threat assessment and protection to schools and businesses. A former U.S. secret service special agent and police officer, Russel and his team have assessed thousands of organizations' safety and security processes and procedures, identified gaps in their security measures and recommended actionable solutions.



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Jon Ruybalid



Jon Ruybalid has been providing legal advice and assistance to CCCA and member camps and conference centers, as well as other ministries and tax-exempt organizations in the U.S. and interna-

tionally for over 30 years. Ruybalid has served as a camp staff member and camp board member and brings that inside experience and knowledge to bear with practical legal solutions. He is a graduate of Grace University (B.A.), Dallas Theological Seminary (Th.M.), University of Minnesota Law School (J.D.) and Western Governors University (M.B.A.). Ruybalid is a partner with Schmitt-Schneck law firm and passionate about his role in designing legal solutions and strategic pathways for camps, conference centers, ministries and others carrying out kingdom-purposed activities.

Stacie Saenz



Stacie Saenz has served with Eagle Adventure Camps (Camp Eagle, Glorieta) for the last 16 years, currently serving as the chief financial officer and managing EAC's shared services group.

Her team provides accounting, technology and other administrative services to EAC and other camps. She is a CPA with a master's in accounting from The University of Texas at Austin. Saenz was a Texan her whole life until she and her husband, Ryan, were called to the beautiful PNW in 2016, where he manages Black Diamond Camp and they live with their two kiddos, Bella and Strong.

Arthur Satterwhite, III



Arthur L. Satterwhite, III is a globally recognized voice on belonging, diversity and leadership who has been featured in various media publications and on myriad platforms. He holds a doctorate in

strategic leadership, a master's in religious education and a bachelor's in business/marketing. As a consultant and speaker, he has helped communities and organizations across the globe through inspiration, training and strategic, consultative support. Satterwhite currently serves as the vice president of strategy at Young Life. He is also privileged to serve as an adjunct professor in Regent University's doctorate of strategic leadership program, where he helps prepare the next generation of kingdom leaders. He currently resides in Southern California.

Brian Schroeder



Brian Schroeder has spent over 15 years in Christian nonprofit leadership and has a passion for people, processes and programs. Following a collegiate and professional baseball career, he began

his time in ministry with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

After his time with FCA, Schroeder returned and became the head baseball coach at San Diego Christian College and then eventually he stepped into a role as the vice president of operations and athletic director. In 2023, he was approached about the opportunity to join the team of Indian Hills Camp (Jamul, California) as the executive director. IHC has a 60-year history of reaching kids for Jesus Christ through camping and Schroeder is honored to be able to play a small part in the current and future ministry that has impacted so many lives. He and his wife, Dianna, live in Lakeside, California, with their four children.

Scott Shaw



Scott Shaw is the general manager of Wind River Ranch in Estes Park, Colorado, and provides fundraising consultation to camps through Mission Increase. With over 30 years in camping and

youth ministry, Shaw has previously served as a youth pastor in Northwest Arkansas, adjunct professor at John Brown University and held various roles at New Life Ranch in Northeast Oklahoma. He holds a B.S. in business education from Northeastern State University, an M.A. in ministry from John Brown University and a certificate in fundraising management from Indiana University. Shaw lives in Estes Park, Colorado, with his wife of 25 years, Kristen, and their children Kate (22), Cooper (19) and Rylee (12).

▶ Jake Sorenson



Jake Sorenson is the director and lead researcher of Sacred Playgrounds, a ministry offering research, training and consulting to Christian summer camps and their ministry partners. He has a Ph.D.

from Luther Seminary, a M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary and more than 20 years of experience in camping ministry and congregational youth ministry. He has authored numerous articles on camping ministry, taught at colleges and universities and trained staff at camps across the country. His most recent book is Sacred Playgrounds: Christian Summer Camp in Theological Perspective. He lives in rural Wisconsin with his wife, Anna, (a Lutheran pastor) and their two boys.

Dan Steele



Dan Steele has served the Lord at River Valley Ranch (Manchester, Maryland) since 1998. In his time there he's interviewed 4,000 people, hired more than 1,700 and he still keeps in contact

with many of them! He has presented marketing and hiring seminars for camps and small businesses and loves seeing innovative ideas implemented at camp. Steele and his wife, Hope, have three young adult children. Steele is also on pastoral staff at Bedrock Community Church.



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▶ Peter Swift



Many leaders of today were raised by television and video games, rather than good old-fashioned Pennsylvania black bears. Peter Swift is an exception, having been adopted by a pair of Ursus

Americanus at a young age. They taught him all he knows about the outdoors and Machiavellian office politics during his formative years living under logs and rocks in the Allegheny Mountains. This upbringing prepared Swift for the rigors of gaining a philosophy degree at Grove City College, and landing a career in sales, marketing and eventually operations for a rock-climbing and outdoor gear distributor until finally moving on to his current nonprofit leadership role. Despite routinely missing out on hibernation, he still manages to find time to serve as executive director of Camp Susque (Trout Run, Pennsylvania). When he isn't helping to lead Susque's ministries, he can be found scrounging for grubs and berries or watching college basketball with his wife, Lindsey, twin daughters, Audrey and Nora, son, Isaac, and dog, Sawyer.

► Colette Taylor



Colette (Coco) Taylor is the president and CEO of Bedrock Productions, Inc., which operates as Camp KidJam (Fort Lauderdale, Florida). She cofounded Camp KidJam in 2006 and is passion-

ate about serving kids and leaders each summer. Known for her adaptability and skill in working with unpaid volunteers, Taylor excels at creating impactful events from minimal resources. Over the past 17 years, she has managed production, logistics and team development for an Atlanta-based nonprofit. In 2023, she published her first book, Creating Experiences for Kids: How to Design Engaging Productions in Kids Ministry. She lives in Atlanta with her husband and their two daughters, Kristi and Jessica, as well as their sons-in-law, JR and Andrew.

Diane Turnbull



From camp counselor to camp director, Diane
Turnbull has been a compassionate leader for
youth and persons living with disabilities for her
entire career. Her university and conservatory-

level education in acting and theater alongside her 30-plus year history of work in the disability field, from direct service to leadership, has provided a firm foundation for her work at Upward Bound Camp (Gates, Oregon).

▶ Lauren Vincent



Lauren Vincent helps organizations design retailquality apparel people love to wear. With a decade of experience in the retail industry, she is passionate about helping clients bring their

apparel dreams to life, staying on top of fashion trends and creatively directing lnk!'s art team to set the standard of unique graphic design. With a major in graphic design from the University of Central Arkansas, the projects that fulfilled Vincent the most were the T-shirts she designed for various fundraising events. While developing her career in graphic design, she pursued a passion project after hours called the Rustic Child Apparel Company. Her highly creative outdoor retail designs opened the opportunity for her to join the team at lnk! as a graphic artist. Now in her position as creative manager at lnk!, Vincent designs apparel for clients across the world from various industries, creatively directs and shapes artists and lives out her dream of running her own outdoor apparel brand.

Aubrey Westafer



Aubrey Westafer began her camping career in 2011 as an intern at River Valley Ranch (Manchester, Maryland). She has served in many different roles since then and is currently the director of

programs, ensuring a meaningful experience for guests and staff. Some of her favorite things include serving at River Valley Ranch alongside her husband, investing in people, traveling, organizing and making art.









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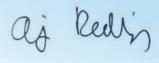
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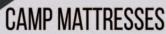


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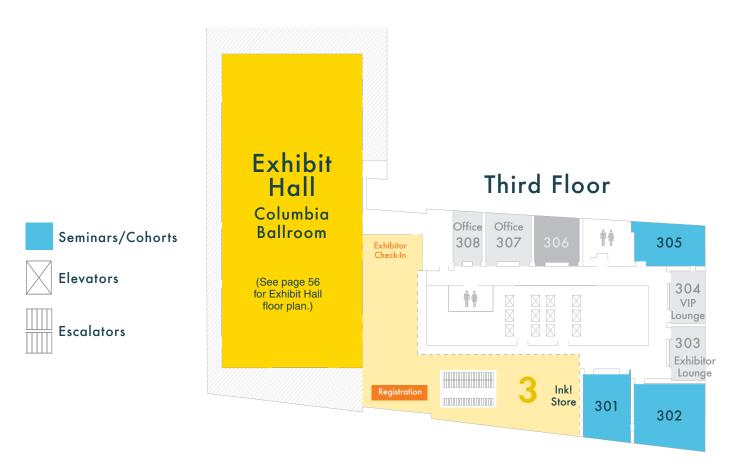
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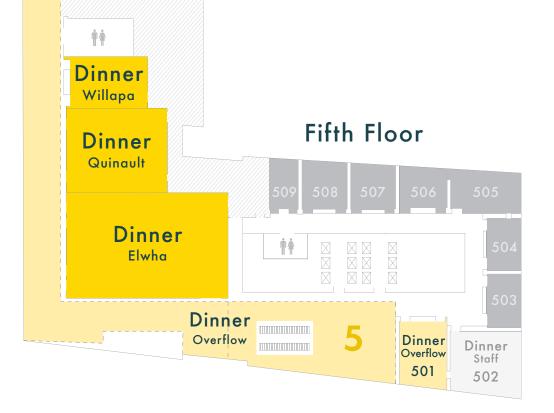
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March 25-27 Solid Rock Bible Camp Soldotna, Alaska

Allegheny Sectional

February 24-26 Laurelville Retreat Center Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania

Carolinas/Virginias Sectional

March 3–5 Bonclarken Conference Center Flat Rock, North Carolina

Deep South Sectional

February 10–12 Location TBD

Florida Sectional

March 25-27 The Salvation Army Camp Keystone Starke, Florida

Georgia Sectional

January 22-24 Woodlands Camp and Conference Center Cleveland, Georgia

Illinois Sectional

February 25-27 Menno Haven Camp Tiskilwa, Illinois

Indiana and Ohio Super-Sectional

March 10-12 Lake Placid Hartford City, Indiana

Iowa/Nebraska Sectional

Section members are encouraged to attend the Minn-E-Dakotas or Ozark Sectional in 2025.

Michigan Sectional

March 3–5 Gull Lake Ministries



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January 21-23 Black Rock Retreat Quarryville, Pennsylvania

Minn-E-Dakotas Sectional

February 3-5 Lake Géneva Christian Center Alexandria, Minnesota

Northeast Sectional

March 24-26 Camp Spofford Spofford, New Hampshire

Northern Rockies Sectional

February 25-27 Yellowstone Alliance Adventures Bozeman, Montana

Northwest Sectional

March 4-6 Black Lake Olympia, Washington

Ozark Sectional

February 17-20 Eagle Sky of the Ozarks Piedmont, Missouri

Pacific Southwest Sectional

February 18-20 Camp Daley Calabasas, California

Rocky Mountain Sectional

February 24-27 Golden Bell Divide, Colorado

Sierra Pacific Sectional

February 10-13 Alliance Redwoods Conference Grounds Occidental, California

Texas Sectional

February 3-5 Sky Ranch Van, Texas

Tennessee/Kentucky Sectional

February 25-27 Camp Paradise Valley Burkesville, Kentucky

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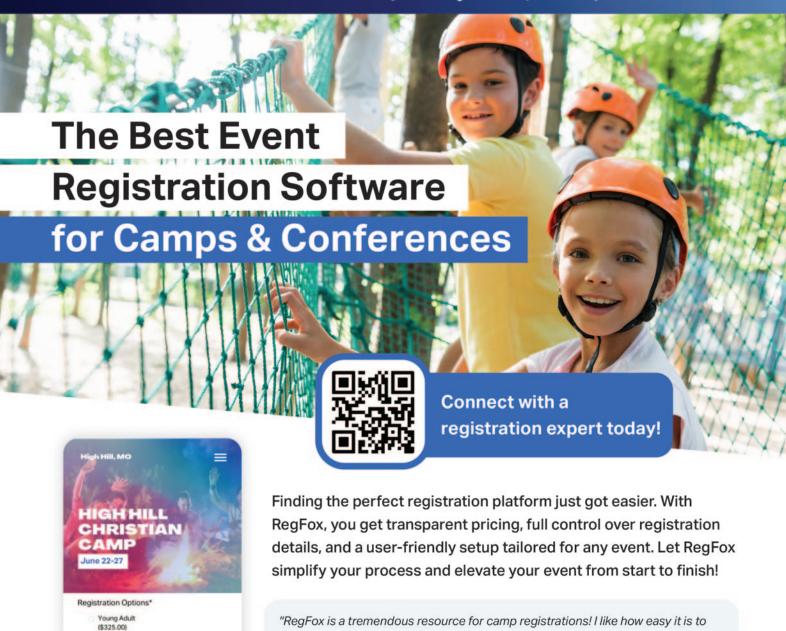














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