Operation Wilderness: General Information July 29-Aug 1, 2027

For students who have completed sixth grade and desire to grow in their relationship with God alongside their peers.

Operation Wilderness is an extended weekend of tent camping in Northern Pennsylvania. Through being in God's creation, spending time with peers and Small Group Leaders, and being away from life's everyday distractions, students will be encouraged and challenged to grow in their walks with Jesus, prayer life, and awareness of God's presence.

Location: Hoffman Campground, Tioga State Forest, PA.

Trip Leader: David Ellis – dellis@cbcpa.org | 717.917.0554

Application Process:

1. Complete application on Church Center by **January 10, 2027**.
    a. **Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.*
2. Acceptance emails will be sent by **January 27, 2027**.

Financial:

$150 - Total Cost

1. Due June 2, 2027.
2. Payment should be made:
    a. Using a purple giving envelope and a support card, submitted:
        i. In the Offering Slot at the Welcome Center.
        ii. In the lockboxes in the youth rooms.
        iii. By mailing it to CBC.
    b. Through the Church Center *Giving* tab.
        i. Include memo with Student's name & the trip name.

**Please note: all contributions are non-refundable*

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YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS 2027

Important Dates: *Please mark your calendars now!*

Event/Item Due	Date	Time	Notes:
Application	January 10	-	
Acceptance email	January 27	-	
The Youth Activity and Medical Release for 2026-2027	June 2	-	*only applicable if not already completed for 26-27 school year
$ Trip fee Due	June 2	-	
Depart CBC	July 29	10:30 a.m.	Arrive 10 a.m.
Return to CBC	August 1	3:30 p.m.	(watch for communication on exact ETA day-of)
Memory Verse	July 29		*to be recited on the trip

PARENTS: *Adults will have minimal to no cell phone service. Do not expect to be able to make immediate contact with anyone on the trip.*

MEMORY VERSE: *2 Peter 1:3-4*

Expectations:

Before the Trip

1. Attend TNT (Sunday mornings or Wednesday nights) at least once before the trip.
2. Begin memorizing 2 Peter 1:3-4 before the trip
3. Complete all necessary paperwork, forms, and payments by noted deadlines – *see above*.

During the Trip: ***Failure to meet these expectations may result in being sent home early***.

4. Respect & obey authority (especially when exploring and swimming)
5. Listen well to peers and leaders during discussion times.
6. Treat others with love, respect and kindness through the whole trip.

Packing List:

Items to Bring:

_____ A Bible and something to write with
_____ A change of clothes for every day
_____ Swimsuit/Swimwear (Guys: mid-thigh length shorts; Girls: swimwear that covers midriff, cleavage, and bottom)
_____ Trash bag/laundry bag for dirty and wet clothes
_____ Two towels (for swimming and campsite)
_____ Toiletries (toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, comb/hairbrush, etc.)
_____ Sleeping supplies (sleeping bag, pillow, sleeping mat, extra blanket, etc.)
_____ Sun protection (sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, etc.)
_____ Bug spray
_____ Reusable water bottle
_____ Flashlight (w/ extra batteries)
_____ Small backpack for the hike and camping adventures
_____ Spending money (optional, $15)

Clothing Requirements:

_____ Sneakers
_____ Hiking shoes/boots (ones that can be ruined)
_____ Water shoes for the creek (for example: crocs)
_____ Long pants for the hike
_____ Poncho or raincoat
_____ Warm jacket and/or sweatshirt (evenings get cold)

IMPORTANT NOTE: Pack everything into one bag except for the pillow and sleeping bag. We have a limited amount of space and need to be efficient.

Do Not Bring:

- Electronics (cell phone, Nintendo Switch, iPad, etc.)
- Illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, smoking/vaping/tobacco products, weapons, etc.)
- Anything valuable that you don't want to be lost or stolen (jewelry, watches, sentimental items)
- A bad attitude