#### Hello G.O.D. Campers and Parents!

We are excited for our week of fun getting to know our Creator while exploring and learning about His creation! I realize this is a lot of information, but it is important that you read over it so your child will have the best possible experience at camp. Please print this out so you have a hard copy to refer to each day. Camp is the week of June 23-27.

What to bring EVERY day: Please make sure all items are LABELED with child's name and always wear sturdy shoes.

- Backpack with items listed below
- Bible, if you are a 6<sup>th</sup> grader and received one last year at camp, otherwise you will receive a new one – no worries if you can't find it!
- Lunch packed in reusable containers w/ ice pack
- Large filled reusable water bottle (we will bring a water cooler for refills)
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses or hat, if you wish
- Bug spray (non-aerosol in a Ziploc bag)
- Complete change of clothes (including socks, shoes & underwear) YOUR CHILD WILL GET MUDDY AND WET AT TIMES ©
- Rain jacket
- Camera and binoculars if you wish, but no electronics!
- Plastic grocery sack(s) to put wet clothes, shoes in
- FOR YOUR CAR towels for your child/children to sit on in case they are wet /muddy

# Specific days: PLEASE START GATHERING OR PREPARING THESE ITEM NOW

#### <u>Monday</u>

- ✓ 2 Lake Metropark release forms (attached please print out and bring with you)
- √ copy of insurance card
- ✓ **MUMC Emergency Medical form** (attached please print out an bring with you)

# <u>Tuesday</u>

# Wednesday

- √ beach towel
- √ wear swimsuit, beach shoes
- ✓ WEAR YOUR CAMP T- SHIRT (provided Wed. morning)

# <u>Thursday</u>

- ✓ clean milk jug with top cut off and holes poked in bottom for growing seeds
- ✓ pictures of people your child would like to pray for (no more than 10 pics) trimmed to 2 ½ by 3 ½ inches (if this is not possible, don't worry, they can just write names)

#### Friday

- ✓ extra pair of old tennis shoes / water shoes for walking in creek– NOT flip flops or crocs. It's very uneven and slippery!
- ✓ ONE clean plastic or Styrofoam container (jug, bottle, jar, egg carton, etc.) for team boats. Please reuse items you already have.

We will be outdoors all day, but have shelters reserved as our base camp and in the case of rain. We will, however, still do most of our activities even in rain (not thunderstorms.) With all adult drivers we will have enough room to transport campers to safety if there is an emergency. After talking with Lake Metroparks staff who have hosted many week-long outdoor camps they assured me that kids are kept safe under the picnic shelters and on the extremely rare occasion, the bathrooms which serve as tornado shelters.

Please let us know if you have any concerns about whether or not you child is able to participate in any of our activities. If your child cannot swim please let us know ahead of time and please provide a Coast Guard approved PFD with your child on that day. Campers will be staying in their small teams and are to stay within a designated area on the beach and in the water. Fairport Harbor Beach does have a lifeguard(s) on duty and we have several former lifeguards who are adult volunteers that day.

Also, following is a link for **snack sign-up**. <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040c48a8ac2baa8-snack1">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040c48a8ac2baa8-snack1</a> If you are willing to donate, please sign-up in a slot. Thank you so much for your support!

We have five fun-packed days planned and will start promptly at 9:30 am. Because we know some of you have younger children attending VBS at Mentor UMC we would encourage you for ease, as well as to help the environment, to carpool from MUMC to the park of the day. You may begin dropping off your GOD camper(s) at 9:15 am at the shelters noted on the links to the park maps below. Pick up is at 4:00 pm.

Friday, June 27, End of Camp Cookout with Families

On Friday, June 27, your camper will stay with us until 6:00 pm if you are planning on attending the cookout. Those campers not attending will be picked up at the normal time of 4:00 pm. All food will be provided, however, if you wish you may bring a dessert. Please RSVP **by Wednesday, June 25** how many will be attending on the sign-up sheet in the blue folder. We hope you can join us as we end our week of GOD Camp!

6:00 – Welcome to families

6:05 – Recap of camp - campers

6:25 – Pastor Jon speaks, Communion

6:45 – Grace, Food served

Menu:

Hot dogs

Chips

Watermelon

Veggie tray

Water & Lemonade

On a final note, we have been praying for this camp and your child by name that he/she would grow into a relationship with God through Jesus Christ, His son. Would you please pray for your child and all of the members of GOD Camp too? Thanks!

If you have any questions, you may email Pam Wooledge at <a href="mailto:brad\_wooledge@att.net">brad\_wooledge@att.net</a>

Blessings,

The Get OutDoors Camp Staff

Mentor United Methodist Church

If you have an emergency and need to get a hold of someone while at camp, please call one of the cell numbers below. Cell phone reception can be tricky at Helen Hazen Wyman Park (Friday.)

Pam Wooledge <u>440-655-1837</u> Brad Wooledge <u>440-969-0390</u> Tammy Palermo <u>440-479-4900</u>

Please follow the links below to print out park maps.

**Monday –** *Girdled Rd. Reservation* – Drop-off and pick-up will be at Radcliffe Rd. entrance

http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks/documents/ GirdledRoadReservationColorTrailMap10-12-11.pdf

**Tuesday – Penitentiary Glen** - <a href="http://www.lakemetroparks.com/select-park/documents/Penitentiary-Glen-Reservation-trail-map101613.pdf">http://www.lakemetroparks.com/select-park/documents/Penitentiary-Glen-Reservation-trail-map101613.pdf</a>

Wednesday - Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park- no map

Thursday – *Chapin Forest* - <a href="http://lakemetroparks.com/parks/documents/">http://lakemetroparks.com/parks/documents/</a> Chapin-Forest-Reservation-trail-map042312.pdf

Friday – Helen Hazen Wyman Shelter - <a href="http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks/">http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks/</a> HWTrailMap.pdf