





We're excited to welcome you to Spring Barnabreak at Camp Barnabas! This weekend will be filled with adventure, new friendships, a dance party, Camper talent show, and meaningful opportunities to grow in faith as we explore our theme, Spring Safari, inspired by Matthew 6:33 (NIV):

*“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”*

Searching for God can sometimes feel like a safari—there’s so much around us competing for our attention, so many good and beautiful things to see and experience. God created it all, yet nothing matters more than finding Him. When we place our focus on God and seek Him first, following how He calls us to live, He promises to provide everything we need.

Inside this packet, you’ll find all the details you need to prepare for the weekend, including:

- Schedules
- Party Themes
- What to pack
- Arrival and departure instructions
- Important Policies

We encourage you to review this information, so you can come fully prepared for an unforgettable weekend. If you have any questions, please reach out, I'm your guide to an incredible Spring Safari!



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# BARNABREAK SCHEDULE

## FRIDAY

- 5:30 pm Gates Open
- 5:30 pm Camper Arrival  
*(Arrive in your Jungle Jam costume, ready to party!)*
- 7:00 pm Dinner
- 7:45 pm Jungle Jam Dance Party
- 8:30 pm Wrap Up
- 9:30 pm Camper Bed Time

## SATURDAY

- 8:00 am Breakfast
- 8:45 am Devotions
- 9:30 am First & Second Activity
- 11:30 am Rally
- 12:15 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm F.O.B. (Rest Time)
- 2:30 pm Third Activity
- 4:00 pm Shower
- 5:15 pm Dinner
- 6:00 pm Camper Talent Show
- 8:00 pm Wrap Up
- 9:00 pm Camper Bed Time

## SUNDAY

- 7:30 am Wake Up
- 8:30 am Breakfast in Cabins
- 9:00 am Cabin Awards
- 9:30 am Gates Open
- 10:00 am Closing Ceremony
- 10:30 am Camper Dismissal

## PARTIES

### JUNGLE JAM

Get ready to go wild at the Jungle Jam Dance Party! We suggest wearing your costume to arrival since we'll party on Friday night!

#### Costume Suggestions:

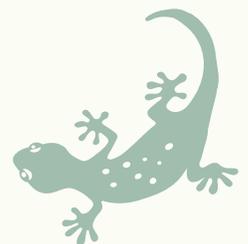
- Jungle animals (monkeys, lions, tigers, parrots, frogs, etc.)
- Explorer or safari guide
- Tropical or animal print clothes
- Please no weapons, including fake ones.

### TALENT SHOW

Tell a joke, sing a song, or show us your moves. Whatever your talent, we want to cheer you on!

#### Costume Suggestions:

- Magician
- Singer
- Stand-Up Comedian
- Dancer



# DON'T FORGET

**Bring medications.** Please keep medication in original pharmacy packaging and place all bottles in a Ziploc bag. Please do not place medications in daily boxes or little envelopes.

- ☑ **It is imperative that the forms included in your online registration are up to date.** Please confirm on CampDoc that the medical information matches any medicines brought to camp and emergency contacts are current.
- ☑ To help prevent lost items at camp, please label each item, including medical equipment and chargers, with first and last name.
- ☑ We ask that you not attend Barnabreak if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, have had a fever over 100.4°F, or have vomited within the past 24 hours. While we hope you can join us, we understand if this isn't the right time due to health risks. We look forward to welcoming you at a future Barnabas event!

# ARRIVAL

**CAMP BARNABAS | 901 TEAS TRAIL | PURDY, MISSOURI 65734**

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## WELCOME TO CAMP BARNABAS!

Check-in and receive your Camper's name tag and cabin assignment. Our Staff will answer any questions you might have and direct you where you need to go.

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## MEDICATION DROP-OFF

Our Med Team will take medications and discuss any of your medical questions and concerns. Please be prepared to give your Camper their dinner meds.

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## LUGGAGE

Our team will unload your Camper's luggage. Please label each item (including chargers) with Camper's first and last name.

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## PARK OR DROP-OFF

Our Staff will guide you to the drop-off line or to a parking spot. If you choose to park, you'll be able to get out of your car and join in the celebration for Camper Arrival. For safety and privacy reasons, we ask that **parents DO NOT enter cabins**. If the weather is bad, we'll have a drive through drop-off process to keep families out of the rain.

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## LET THE FUN BEGIN!

Snap a photo and say "see you soon" to your Camper. Weather permitting, camp tours are available after your Camper is dropped off.



# CLOSING & CHECK-OUT



## CLOSING CEREMONY!

Families are invited to join us for a short Closing Ceremony at 10 am on Sunday. We'll have worship, reflection, and share the Barnabreak highlight video. Parents and guardians can speak with the Cabin Staff and meet the Campers and Missionaries from the cabin before being dismissed at 10:30. If it rains Sunday, we will not have a Closing Ceremony.

## CAMPER CHECK-OUT

For the safety of Campers, only approved, trusted contacts may pick-up Campers. All trusted contacts (including parents/guardians) must be listed in CampDoc with an updated name, photo, and phone number. A **valid photo ID** must be presented at pickup. Any changes to the contact list must be communicated in advance. Campers can be checked out before, during, or after Closing Ceremonies.



## HOW TO ADD A NEW TRUSTED CONTACT IN CAMPDOC

- 1 Log in to CampDoc using your email address and password.
- 2 Find the Camper's name who is attending on the left hand side of the CampDoc.
- 3 Select Trusted Contacts, then select "add a new contact".
- 4 Add the contact name, relationship to Camper, phone number, email, and address.
- 5 Select upload photo and add a recent photo of the trusted contact.

Make sure CampDoc has **ALL** of the trusted contacts (including parents/guardians) who can pick-up your Camper.

If someone attempts to pick-up a Camper who is NOT on the trusted contact list, you will be contacted for approval before the Camper can leave Camp Barnabas.



### CampDoc

Camper Name	Trusted Contacts
Registration	Contacts who are authorized to pick-up Camper from Camp Barnabas are listed below.
Health Profile	
Account	
Trusted Contacts	<div><b>Jeff Barnabas</b> Guardian (417) 476-2565 (work) info@campbarnabas.org</div> <div><b>Fred Moose</b> Family Friend (417) 476-2565 (work) info@campbarnabas.org</div>



# PACKING LIST

To help prevent lost items at camp, **please label each item**, including medical equipment and chargers, bags, and clothes with first and last name.

- Bible
- Flashlight
- Bug Spray and Sunscreen
- Water Bottle
- T-Shirt/Shirts\*\*
- Pants/Shorts\*\*
- Jacket or Sweatshirt
- Rain Jacket
- Sneakers
- Shower Shoes
- Socks and Underwear
- Sleepwear
- Costumes for Parties
- Towels and Washcloths
- Toiletries: Hairbrush, Deodorant, Shampoo, Body Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, etc.
- Bedding: Sleeping Bag or Twin Sheets with Blanket and Pillow
- Medications and Medical Equipment: All medications must be in the original, pharmacy-labeled containers. Please make sure that these medications match your CampDoc medical forms.
- Car Tag (see back page)
- Optional Items: Watch, sandals with a heel strap, sensory tools from home, money for Barnabas Outfitters and the Barnabean Coffee Shop*

**DO NOT BRING:** Weapons (including concealed firearms, knives of any kind, scissors, or sharp objects, etc.) expensive jewelry, large sums of money, music players, snacks (including gum, soda, candy, etc.) alcohol, illegal and recreational drugs, or tobacco products (including cigarettes, vaping devices), or products with explicit content. Firearms are not permitted on Camp property, including in cars. Barnabas is not responsible for lost or stolen items. (AD.16)

**PHONES & LAPTOPS:** To avoid distraction and fully immerse yourself in the Barnabas experience, laptops are not to be brought to camp. If a phone is brought to camp, our Staff will collect and keep these in the camp office. If you need to make an emergency call, there are phones available. Campers that use communication devices may bring these to camp with instructions for usage. Camp Barnabas is not responsible for lost, broken, or stolen items.

**BAG CHECK NOTICE:** We will be inspecting your luggage with you when you arrive at camp. This check is a preventative measure, and we want to make sure you have plenty of notice prior to coming to camp. Please read over your packing list and let us know if you have any questions about what to bring. If a questionable item is found during bag check, it will be held in the office until the end of the camp session. Tobacco products, illegal and recreational drugs, alcohol, and vaping devices will not be returned. (AD.16)

Please wash and dry all items you plan to bring to camp on the highest heat setting **BEFORE** and **AFTER** your time at camp (this includes clothing, pillows, sheets, towels, etc.). This will help prevent the spread of any lice, bed bugs, fleas, and any other transferable pests. For more information on preventing, identifying, and treating bugs, visit the CDC website.

\*\*Please reference our Camp Barnabas Policies.





# BARNABAS OUTFITTERS

Barnabas Outfitters store has everything from sweatshirts and tees, to hats, water bottles, and more! Each Camper will have a chance to visit the store during the weekend. You can add funds to a Camper's store card by going into the registration section of CampDoc, selecting the session name, and then select the add-on options for a store card. **All store card funds not used by the Camper will be considered a donation to Camp Barnabas.** Barnabas Outfitters accepts cash, credit cards, and store cards. Styles vary by season, shop now at [barnabasoutfitters.com](http://barnabasoutfitters.com).



**Snacks, Decals, & Small Accessories**



**T-Shirts**



**Hats**



**Sweatshirts**

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**BARNABEAN**  
 — COFFEE SHOP —

Don't forget to add money for drinks at The Barnabeen Coffee Shop. We have cold brew coffee with oat milk and seasonal flavors. Drink prices start at \$4.



# CAMP PHOTOS

Check out all the fun from this weekend in our Waldo Photo Gallery.

There are two ways to view photos:



Text "Spring26" to the number 735-343 and you'll receive a text message with a link to our photo gallery



Visit [waldophotos.com](http://waldophotos.com), select "Find an Event" and search for our gallery using the join code **Spring26**

Facial Recognition is not available at Barnabreak.  
Photos may take up to one day to be uploaded to Waldo.

# HIGHLIGHT VIDEO

After Barnabreak is over, we'll be emailing a highlight video from the weekend. Make sure to watch your inbox!

# WE'RE SOCIAL

Follow us @campbarnabas



# GENERAL POLICIES (AD.16)

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We strive to glorify Jesus Christ in everything we do. We especially want Campers to see our Staff and Missionaries as living examples of Christ. We have specific policies designed to allow you to understand what we believe is right and true in the eyes of our Lord. These policies are also designed for your safety and wellness during camp. If you have any questions about these policies, please call or email us.

**Alcohol, Illegal Drugs & Tobacco:** Camp Barnabas leadership does not condone or personally use illegal drugs or tobacco. We do not condone the abuse of alcohol or allow for drunkenness. No alcohol, illegal drugs, recreational drugs, or tobacco products are allowed at camp.

**Sexual Behavior:** There should be no discussions or acts of a sexual nature while at Camp. We view sexual relations as being between a married man and woman and does not need to be a conversation among our Staff, Missionaries, or Campers.

**General Appearance:** Everyone should keep a neat appearance. If you have long hair, it's recommended to keep it in a ponytail for your safety.

**Shirts:** Shirts must be appropriate in design and messaging. They should not feature inappropriate images, language, alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, political, or controversial content. Spaghetti-strap, tight-fitting, or low-cut shirts are prohibited. Shirt straps must be at least two fingers wide and fully cover bra straps. Additionally, shirts must cover the abdomen at all times, including when arms are raised.

**Shorts/Pants:** Our standard length for shorts is finger-tip length. Shorts must also be loose-fitting. No shorts or pants with words across the seat are to be worn at any time. Shorts must be visible under longer shirts. Leggings are only appropriate when the front and back areas are completely covered. Underwear should not be visible either above the waistband or below the end of the shorts.

**Shoes:** Shoes must be worn at all times unless at the pool. Closed-toe shoes or shoes with a strap going across the top of the foot and around the heel (i.e., Chacos or Tevas) are required during all activities, with the exception of the pool.

**Tattoos & Body Piercings:** At camp, it is suggested that all piercings be removed for safety reasons. Some Campers love shiny objects and may grab or pull at them. If you do not choose to remove them, please only use studs. Navel, eyebrow, or tongue jewelry is not allowed at camp (this is a safety issue). At the discretion of the Senior Staff, any tattoo that may be viewed as inappropriate will need to be covered at all times.

**Phones & Laptop:** To avoid distraction and fully immerse yourself in the Barnabas experience, laptops are not to be brought to camp. If a phone is brought to camp, our Staff will collect and keep these in the camp office. If you need to make an emergency call, there are phones available. Campers that use communication devices may bring these to camp with instructions for usage. Camp Barnabas is not responsible for lost, broken, or stolen items.

**Camper Food Policy:** For the safety of all Campers, outside food, drinks, and snacks are not allowed in cabins, as they can attract insects, rodents, and wildlife. Due to allergies, no nut products are permitted. Our commercial kitchen cannot store personal food due to health code restrictions. For special diet questions or concerns please contact [kitchen@campbarnabas.org](mailto:kitchen@campbarnabas.org).

# **BARNABAS PROTECTION PLAN**

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## **BACKGROUND CHECKS**

Our goal at Camp Barnabas is to create a safe and fun environment for everyone who attends. We have, and will continue to, conduct annual criminal background checks on all volunteers, full-time, and seasonal staff members aged 18 or older. Please ensure that your information is up to date in our registration systems so that we can run this check smoothly and efficiently. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to [brenda@campbarnabas.org](mailto:brenda@campbarnabas.org).

## **STAFF REQUIREMENTS**

All staff applicants must complete an extensive application, undergo a personal interview, submit at least two references, and pass a background check. We run a new background check every year on every staff member.

## **EMERGENCY SUPPORT**

Local Police, Fire and Ambulance Departments have been notified of our camp dates and diagnoses served each week. Our staff are trained to respond to emergencies that may occur while at camp. This includes our response plan for severe weather, fires, intruders on campus (whether dangerous or not), and active-shooter situations.

## **AMERICAN CAMP ASSOCIATION ACCREDITATION**

Each year, we review American Camping Association standards to ensure our camp is up to date on safety procedures.

# CODE OF CONDUCT

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Everyone at Camp Barnabas is expected to follow our Code of Conduct explicitly - it's comprehensive and falls into three main categories:

**Physical Safety & Security:** *Always* respect the other person's physical boundaries. Camp is not the place for physical relationships of any kind.

**Verbal Communication:** *Always* use appropriate verbal communication. There are no exceptions.

**Staff Specific:** While everyone on camp property is expected to follow the Code of Conduct outlined regarding physical boundaries and verbal communication, there are additional stated guidelines specifically for Staff.

## PHYSICAL SAFETY & SECURITY

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- No kissing
- No sharing of shower or bathroom stalls\*
- Everyone sleeps in their own bed
- No hitting, kicking, slapping, or punching
- No tickling or touching of private areas (this includes slapping someone on the rear)
- No physically demeaning humor (noogies/wedgies, etc.)
- No walking about the property or in the cabin without covering private areas (not even while around the same sex)

## VERBAL COMMUNICATION

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- No lying
- No gossiping
- No name-calling of any kind (even jokingly)
- No talking about another's body
- No profane, sexist, or racist language
- No discussions of a sexual nature

## STAFF SPECIFIC

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- No Camper or Missionary is to be taken off alone.
- Do not give individual gifts of a personal nature to Campers.
- Do not show favoritism to a particular Camper.
- One-on-one counseling or private conversations are to be in a public setting (seen but not necessarily heard).
- Summer Staff should always hold other Staff accountable.
- Summer Staff should be above reproach at all times.
- Open Door Meeting Policy: No Summer Staff should be with a member of the opposite gender behind a closed door or private area at any time. If a one-on-one meeting is required, it should be done in a clear, visible place where others are present.

## CONSEQUENCES

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Any infraction of the above policy will be immediate grounds for dismissal with no chance for re-hire or return to Camp Barnabas. A violation of one of these policies might not only be misunderstood by youth/Staff but could result in legal consequences.

# GUIDELINES FOR APPROPRIATE CONDUCT

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## TALK

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### Appropriate:

- Verbal praise for achievement or behavior
- Verbal encouragement
- Scripturally-based teaching (non-sexual)

### Not Appropriate:

- Compliments or questions relating to physique or body development
- Sexual jokes, sexual innuendos, or bathroom humor
- Swearing or vulgar language
- Verbal harassment or abuse
- Individual secrets or special gifts
- Sexual coaching or conversation

## TOUCH

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### Appropriate:

- Handshakes and high fives
- Walking hand in hand
- Short, congratulatory or greeting hugs
- Arm around the shoulders
- Piggybacks with young campers

### Not Appropriate:

- Intimate wrestling or tickling
- Private back rubs, arm tickles, massages, etc.
- Touching of private parts
- Touching someone in anger, disgust, or frustration
- Frontal hugs
- Sexual embraces
- Lap sitting
- Kissing

*\*As a ministry caring for individuals with special needs, we know that some of our Campers will require an additional level of personal care assistance with hygiene during their time at Barnabas. We take this responsibility very seriously. We are very careful in how we train our Staff and Missionaries to modestly administer personal care if needed. Two caregivers are required to be present at all times for safety, this includes during hygiene administration. If a Camper requires additional assistance in their daily living activities and you would like more information on how we train or administer this care, we would be more than happy to speak with you. Please call 417-522-6011.*

## TERRITORY

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### Appropriate:

- Public one-on-one interaction
- Group or public environment

### Not Appropriate:

- Sitting or lying on a bed with another person
- Private one-on-one interactions

**Additional Guidelines:** Modesty dictates that Staff, Campers, and Missionaries never sit around or walk around without a towel or clothing covering private areas. Towels must be worn at all times when going to and from the shower. NO EXCEPTIONS! It is against policy to display sexual body parts intentionally—even if it's a joke.

# BARNABAS SAFEGUARDS

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Based on our Code of Conduct, the following rules and boundaries have been established for our Staff, Missionaries, and Campers to have a safe, secure, and enjoyable experience at Camp Barnabas. Understanding and following these rules/boundaries will help everyone have the time of their life at camp!

## RULES

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- **Recognize** unacceptable behavior. You must know and understand the Code of Conduct so you can easily recognize acceptable and unacceptable behavior. The 6 Boundaries outlined below will help too.
- **Resist** unacceptable behavior. No Staff member, Missionary, or Camper should ever feel uncomfortable or unsafe at camp. Everyone has the right to say NO and remove themselves from the situation or distance themselves from the person making them feel uncomfortable or unsafe.
- **Report** what makes you feel uncomfortable or if a rule has been broken.
  1. Tell a Staff member.
  2. Write a note and put it in the Comment Box (at the Well House).
  3. Tell a member of the Med Team in the Well House.
  4. Call 1-800-4-A-CHILD.

## BOUNDARIES

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1. **Modesty:** Private body parts should be covered at ALL times (swimming, to/from shower, dressing, etc.) NO EXCEPTIONS. Never display your private body parts or touch someone else's.
2. **Rule of Three:** You should NEVER be alone with a Camper or youth where others are not present. There should always be a third person present or in view. Never tell a Camper a secret or tell them "not to tell". We have no secrets at Camp Barnabas. NONE.
3. **Good Touch vs. Bad Touch:** Appropriate touch includes high-fives, short side hugs, arm around the shoulders, etc. and makes your Camper or peer feel safe and encouraged. Inappropriate touch is any touch that makes anyone feel uncomfortable (touching private parts, hitting, pushing, lap sitting, etc.) Refer to the Code of Conduct for additional examples.
4. **Good Talk vs. Bad Talk:** Always encourage one another with positive, pure, uplifting speech. Negative, disrespectful, sexual, and profane language will not be tolerated.
5. **Bullying:** Camp Barnabas has zero tolerance for bullying. If you are bullying someone (or they perceive you to be) and they ask you to stop, you MUST stop. If you observe or are the target of bullying, report it immediately.
6. **Your Territory:** Your body, your space, your stuff, your bed are off-limits to everyone else. No one should be in your territory without your permission and you should not be in their territory without theirs.

## ZERO TOLERANCE

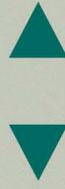
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If you decide not to abide by these rules and boundaries, you may be immediately dismissed from Camp Barnabas.

(PRINT CAMPER FIRST NAME)

(PRINT CAMPER LAST NAME)

(Check One)



**BOY CABIN**

**GIRL CABIN**



**Camp Barnabas**

**CAR TAG**

PLEASE FILL OUT AND PUT ON YOUR DASHBOARD FOR CAMPER ARRIVAL AND PICK-UP

