

25 YEARS - A RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

I like to bake items from time to time and often refer to a recipe to give me a step-by-step process to follow. But sometimes, I stray and become creative in what I make. I will experiment and go by instinct and taste. I would give myself a 95% success rate when I go off on my own.

As I think about the last 25 years at Trinity Pines, I see what has happened as a recipe of sorts.

Here are the directions:

1. Feel the pressure of increasing rental prices and limited opportunities with an aging infrastructure on a camp site located in the same place for over 70 years.
2. Identify a group and set them on the task of finding a new property to relocate the camp with expanded opportunities for year around camping, a greater audience to serve, and new facilities.
3. Develop a master plan with lots of input and ideas floating around that will help to meet the needs today and into the future until the Lord returns.
4. Settle on the land where the dream will take place along the Cabarton Road in Cascade.
5. Pull together a larger group of dreamers and practical folks and begin to plan out the process for developing the infrastructure on 200 acres of land.
6. Build roads, put in sewer lines, electrical power, then take each idea that surfaces in the minds of great men and women and begin to put dollars, structure, and reality to each building that is placed on that master plan.
7. Anticipate a few bumps along the way and the need to be able to pivot and adjust based upon reality, local government, and the opinions of many, many people.
8. Stop and seek God's guidance frequently to be sure that you are on course, and that the dreams and plans are fitting into His plan as well as those of mankind.
9. Sprinkle in people of all ages and denominations, from near and far, and see how they adapt to their surroundings.
10. Celebrate the new life that springs from your investment, new Christians who are being called to ministry, the developing of new friendships, and celebrating lifelong ones.
11. Create a place where everyone can relax, refresh, and reflect on life.
12. Don't ever stop dreaming, planning, raising money, or reaching out to build the Kingdom of God. Surround yourself with new leaders who bring skills and talents to keep the vision alive in meeting the needs of the world in a special place.

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	Mar 14-16 Boise Area Church of God Women's Retreat
	Mar 29-30 BSU Phi Mu Sorority Retreat
	Apr 4-6 IMD Men's Retreat
	May 22-25 Work Week
	June 9-11 Genesis Girls Camp
	June 11-13 Genesis Boys Camp
	June 16-20 Senior High Camp
	June 23-27 Kids Camp
	July 14-18 Junior High Camp

"AT-A-GLANCE" TRINITY PINES CALENDAR

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

MARCH 2025

LOOKING FOR CREATIVITY: In preparation for the 25th Anniversary of Trinity Pines we are appealing to creative teens and young adults. We need your help and ideas for the design of new apparel that can be made available in the camp store that helps to celebrate and promote 25 years at Trinity Pines. All artwork is to be submitted by May 1 to the Trinity Pines Meridian Office, either by email to rick@amgidaho.com or mailed to 55 SW 5th Ave, Suite 100, Meridian, ID 83642. Prizes will be awarded for the design(s) that are selected to help in our year-long celebration.

THE RANGE: In the summer of 2024, we experimented with moving the archery, tomahawk, and BB gun range into a central location. Sometimes, we must try something new to determine if it is better or if we are trying to fix a problem that is not really broken. The results from a recent planning meeting are that we will not be developing the plan to combine these activities. In 2025, the archery range will return to the original location in the meadow, the tomahawk range will be located north of the archery range, and the BB gun range will remain in the 2024 location with some added shade and benches for campers. Thanks for your patience as we work through some of these changes.

ELK VALLEY RESTROOM PROJECT: We have made progress on the Elk Valley Restroom project in the past couple of months. We have added an additional \$90,000 in financial support for the project. – thanks. We have also received a letter from the Murdock Foundation (our request is for \$350,000 matching dollars) for the project. The letter indicated that a Project Manager has been assigned to our request. This is a positive step to know that a site visit by the Project Manager will be happening soon, and this again just assures us that we are in their system for consideration. Kendra Dustin, Grant Writer for Trinity Pines, estimates that her investment of this grant has been over 200 hours of time.

HOW DO YOU LIKE TO READ CAMP MONTHLY?: We mail nearly 1500 hard copies of Camp Monthly across the district to friends of Trinity Pines. We are happy to continue that process under our AMG bulk permit, which saves us hundreds of dollars each year. However, we also have a large contingency of folks who read Camp Monthly online each month, which costs us nothing. If you would like to switch from hard copy to online, please send a quick note with your email address to office@amgidaho.com and we will make that transition. This will result in a greater savings on postage.

RESIDENT MISSIONARY: Trinity Pines is working in cooperation with the District NMI (Nazarene Mission International) Council to bring a resident missionary to Trinity Pines for the summer. We are not sure at this time if the missionary on deputation will be single, a couple or a family. The goal is to increase the visibility of world missions to campers at the camp this summer. On weekends, the resident missionary will be engaged in deputation across the district. This is a great opportunity for our campers and friends of Trinity Pines to increase their knowledge of what is happening around the globe.

NEW HVAC UPGRADES: The HVAC unit for the Conference Center has been on backorder, but we received word that it should ship and be ready for a March install. The installation will be handled by Idaho Refrigeration out of Boise.

RENOVATION PROJECTS: We are upgrading two facilities at the camp. March 5-8 the tile will be re-done in both restroom and shower areas in River Lodge. March 10-11 carpet squares will be done in River Lodge. The camp is looking for help during these times with demo, paint, and removal and replacement of toilets and sinks. We will possibly need to disassemble some bunks to make room for the carpeting. There will also be some electrical changes to lights, plugs, and switches as needed. March 19-21 will be the installation of new tile in Bogus Cottage. March 24-26 will be the installation of new carpet in Bogus Cottage. If you are able to help, please contact the camp (208-382-6200) to coordinate housing/meals.

ASSISTANT COOK NEEDED: We were informed recently that Marion Inwards will be stepping down from her position as assistant cook for retreat and summer camp weekends so she can care for her mother who is on hospice in Connecticut. Marion has been a great assistant to Joseph. If you know of anyone who might be interested in the position starting ASAP, please contact John at the camp (208-382-6200).

PRAYERS FOR CINDY PUSEY: Many of you are familiar with Cindy Pusey who worked in the AMG offices for 14 years while her husband Pastor Tim served as Senior Pastor at Valley Shepherd. Cindy was often the person checking you in at retreats and camps as well as handling the production of materials and information for Trinity Pines in the Meridian camp office. The Pusey's retired and moved to Ohio where they had spent a portion of their years in ministry. Cindy recently was diagnosed with cancer in her pancreas and liver. She will receive a port on March 10 and will start Chemo treatments at that time. You may send notes of encouragement and greetings to Cindy at 1598 McCausland Dr, Hudson, OH 44236. Your prayers are appreciated for Pastor Tim and Cindy and their family as they work through these issues.

LEGOS NEEDED: Genesis Camp 2025 in June has a theme built around Legos. If you have Legos in your home that are no longer being used and you are willing to donate them, please drop them by the District Office or the Meridian Camp Office 55 SW 5th Ave Suite 100 and we will get them to the directors.

WE NEED YOUR HELP: We have received returned mail from these individuals. If you know these camp partners and can assist us with contact information, please email our office in Meridian at office@amgidaho.com.

Antonia Lemos – Boise
Joe Rollins – Boise
Phil Turner - Nampa
Jim & Nelda Smith – Nampa
Mary Gutierrez – Nampa
Karen Stewart – Buhl
Bonnie LaBonte – Grangeville
Kim Turner – Meridian
Jaden Carter – Meridian
Tim & Kerri Snow – Nampa
Benjamin Felty – Nampa
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