

# THEY ARE COMING AND WE HAVE CHALLENGES

It appears from Early Bird Registrations for Summer Camps that we could rebound from the past two years. On Friday, May 13, we had a total of 741 campers registered compared to June 4 of last year, when we had 757. This indicates that we are going to have a crowd. Now, the problem is we are short on staff, interns, and volunteers to meet the needs of these campers. The main areas of need include: food service, housekeeping, programs, laundry, and general labor.

We have not pushed the panic button at this time, but we are aware of where it is located. We had hoped for 6-8 college interns and we have one. We had hoped to hire 3-5 people from the community in a variety of areas and we have been unsuccessful with more “Help Wanted” signs posted in the Cascade area each week as they anticipate the change in the season and visitors coming to the Heartland of Idaho.

If you are interested in volunteering or seeking employment in a summer Christian Camp environment, please call the camp office ASAP (208-382-6200) and speak with Manager Tyler Luschen. If you know of young people between the ages of 16-18 that would like to apply for the SALT (Servant and Leadership Training) program or high school graduates that are interested in working for the summer (late May through early August) let us know. Both of these positions are compensated financially.

The Lord has blessed us with children and teens who want to camp. Now, we must step up and meet the challenge of having enough staff to take care of their needs. Please be in prayer about this critical situation at Trinity Pines. Help us spread the word. From our end, we have posted information in various locations, visited college and university campuses and high schools, and still have not found the unique individuals who are motivated by a summer of ministry. We always appreciate volunteers who have RVs for housing, but we have continued to expand and build apartments for volunteers. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Executive Director

**Memorial Service Honoring the Life of Marilyn Swartzentruber**  
Saturday, June 11, 2022 | 10:00 AM | Karcher Nazarene Church



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May 12-14	SDMI SPARK Retreat
May 12-15	IMD Spring D-Camp
May 18	Idaho State Parks & Recreation
May 19-22	Foothills Christian Church Men's Retreat
May 25-29	Trinity Pines Work Week

## TRINITY PINES CALENDAR “AT-A-GLANCE”

# CAMP MONTHLY

## TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

MAY 2022

**NURSE FOR THE SUMMER:** Thanks to **Joy Jones**, Karcher Nazarene, who has agreed to serve as our camp nurse for the summer. Jan worked in nursing in Western Oregon before relocating with her husband, Sam (a volunteer this summer at camp), to Idaho. We look forward to Jan's engagement with campers this summer.

**BUS TO CAMP:** Campers may ride the bus from Meridian to Cascade on Mondays and back on Fridays. The bus will load and unload in the parking lot at The Village (Mtn. West Bank parking lot) at 7:30am. **You must make a reservation.** You can ride the bus only one way if necessary. If you decide at the last minute, you can go back into your online summer camp registration and enter the necessary information and pay the fee to ride the bus. The bus is available for the following camps:

- 4th-6th Girl's Camp
- 4th-6th Boy's Camp
- 9th-12th Grade Sr. High Camp
- 7th-8th Grade Jr. High Camp

If you have additional questions about the bus transportation, please call the Camp office at 208-382-6200. Thanks to volunteer Greg Galloway, Karcher, who has agreed to ride the bus each week as the bus chaperone.



**MATTRESS REPLACEMENT PROGRAM:** At Share the Dream, we rolled out the campaign to replace 100 mattresses at camp. We were not expecting supply chain challenges along the way, but finally all the mattresses have arrived. Each replacement mattress costs \$300. We went with a firmer mattress to accommodate adult guests. The total project cost with shipping is \$30,051. Prior to District Assembly, we had raised \$10,700, **leaving a balance of \$19,351.** Enclosed you will find a pledge card to assist us in covering the costs of the mattresses. Thanks to those at Assembly who helped in the mattress campaign; we received over \$3,300 toward the project. I hope you can help us reach our goal. The mattresses we replaced were originally purchased when we opened the camp over 20 years ago.

**REGISTRATON DEADLINES:** Remember, **June 1** is the final registration for all June Camps (Genesis, Sr. High, and Boy's) and **July 1** is the final registration for all July Camps (Jr High and Girl's). We no longer allow walk-ons at summer camps. Please be aware of these deadlines.

**PAVERS:** We were asked several times at District Assembly, "Can you still purchase pavers?" The answer is yes, and we would gladly add your name to the pathway leading into the Conference Center. If you want a paver (\$250) please contact the Meridian Camp office at 208-888-0988 or [rick@amgidaho.com](mailto:rick@amgidaho.com) and we will provide you more information.



**WORK WEEK:** The brochures for 2022 Work Week at Trinity Pines were distributed at District Assembly and to the local churches. Work Week starts Wednesday evening, May 25, and runs through Sunday morning, May 29. You can come for the entire time or for a day. The worship tent will be put up at 10:00 AM on Friday, May 27 (weather permitting). We can use a crew of 40-50 to help with that project. A variety of other projects are planned to be completed during the week as we prepare for the summer ahead. If you are planning to stay and eat at the camp, please contact the camp office for a registration form or download online at [www.tpines.org/work-week](http://www.tpines.org/work-week).

**DISTRICT CAMP MEETING:** Trinity Pines will host the Intermountain District Camp Meeting from August 12-14, 2022. Speakers will be General Superintendent Filimao M. Chambo and Reverend Samantha Chambo. Watch for details in local churches and on the Trinity Pines website at [www.tpines.org/camp-meeting](http://www.tpines.org/camp-meeting).

**PAVING UPDATE:** As I am watching snow fall outside my office in Meridian and know that Cascade is receiving snow today, it is a reminder that the paving of Phase II will not take place until fall. In the spring, the ground is too soft from the winter snows and moisture to get a good foundation, unless we have a dry May, according to the contractor. That is not looking like what we can anticipate in the forecast. We are thankful and blessed for the moisture but do not look for paving until the fall.



**PRAYER CARDS FOR SUMMER CAMPS:** At District Assembly, we distributed prayer cards for each of the summer camps sponsored by the District. If you were not present and would like to be mailed a prayer card for a specific camp, please let us know your name and mailing address and we will get the cards in the mail to you ASAP. You can email [rick@amgidaho.com](mailto:rick@amgidaho.com). Please share them with your Sunday school class, small groups or Bible studies. Your prayers are a big part of what makes the summer camping program a great success.