Grades 4-6 Summer Camp

July 5 – 8, 2016

Camp Chandler – Wetumpka, AL

*Summer camp is planned and directed by Shades Children/Preteen staff. Children are closely supervised by staff, parent volunteers, and select Shades students. Additionally, Camp Chandler supplies a staff of trained volunteers including lifeguards, ropes course guides, archery instructors, etc.*

# THEME

This year we will be studying the Tabernacle. Each day we study different pieces of the Tabernacle of the Old Testament to discover the significance of the statement “God became flesh and dwelt (tabernacled) among us.” (John 1:14) Children will leave this four-day action-packed week of camp strengthened and encouraged in their walk with the LORD and excited about the truth that God wants to walk with each one of us.

# WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE AT CAMP?

 Breakfast kicks off our morning in the camp Chandler cafeteria where a variety of options are available to campers. Then children are encouraged to find a quiet, peaceful place to complete that morning’s devotional (found in their camp booklet) on their own. Following that time we enter into Celebration. This is a high-energy morning worship time that helps us prepare our hearts and minds for all that God is going to teach us that day. From there we enter into a time of Bible Study where we open God’s Word and apply biblical truths and principles directly to our lives. Upon completion of our Bible Study your child is given the opportunity to participate in a number of fun-filled camp activities. Then, it’s off to lunch, then to some more activities, and finally some time to clean up before dinner. Following dinner we enter into another time of Bible Study and then follow that up with our evening worship session. After worship we gather together for what we like to call Late Night. This is a high-energy fun-filled time to get a little wild and crazy at camp. Then it’s off to bed, only to do it all over again the next morning!

# WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE AT CAMP?

* Archery
* Ropes Course
* Water Sports (Jet-Skis; Tubing; Skiing; Banana boats; paddle boats; canoeing; etc)
* Swimming (including The Blob and Water Slide)
* Basketball
* Crafts
* Soccer
* Sling shots
* Gaga Ball Pit
* Kickball
* Basketball
* 9 Square (NEW)
* Volleyball

# WHAT IS LATE NIGHT AND WHY DOES MY CHILD NEED SPECIAL ATTIRE?

Late night is a high-energy fun-filled time to get a little wild and crazy at camp. This year we are theming our late nights so children are encouraged to dress up to participate in the fun. Our themes this year are:

* Tuesday Night: Peer Pressure!/Black light Dance Party// Neon or bright colored clothing
* Wednesday Night: Pitch Black Attack // Black or Camouflaged clothing and closed-toed shoes needed
* Thursday Night: Lakeside Campfire Worship and S’mores // Normal Camp Attire

**Peer Pressure/Black Light Dance Party**

Get ready to withstand some serious peer-pressure as we discover which grade stands above the rest! This will be a night of minute-to-win-it competitions in which students from each grade will compete to discover which grade at camp can rightfully claim to be #1. After we complete our competition, we are going to take care of those first-night camp jitters and dance the night away with a full on black light dance party!

**Pitch Black Attack**

A night filled with glow sticks, glow paint, cheerios, and secret clues will keep your adrenaline pumping as you and your friends sneak around camp. Camouflage, dark clothes, tennis shoes, and face paint (if you want it) are all you’ll need for this night we like to call Pitch Black Attack!

**Lakeside Campfire Worship and S’mores**

Make sure to pack your sweet tooth because this year we are going to take advantage of one of the greatest features of our new camp location! On Thursday night we will all go down to the lakeside and sit around the campfire for a time of worship, fellowship and some delicious S’mores. We are really excited about this more low-key late night as we sing and spend some time together.

# COST AND REGISTRATION

$250 by June 10

$300 after June 10

*Registration fee includes transportation, camp tuition, all meals, and camp t-shirt.*

Registration may be done online or via a registration form which is available at the church.

**NOTE: Children must have a signed and notarized medical release form on file along with a copy of your medical insurance card (front and back). Notaries are available at the church for no church Monday – Thursday 9AM – 5PM.**

# PACKING LIST:

* 4 days of clothes
* Comfortable shoes
* Personal toiletries (deodorant, soap, toothpaste)
* Bible + pen or pencil
* Beach Towel
* Swimsuit (one piece for girls)
* Sunscreen
* Insect Repellant
* Flashlight
* $7 - $10 for snacks(Camp Chandler souvenirs are also available for additional if desired)
* Sleeping Bag or Twin Sheets and a Pillow
* Bath Towel and Washcloth
* Refillable Water Bottle
* White or Neon clothing for Black Light Party (Tues. night Late Night activity)
* Black or Camouflage clothing for Pitch Black Attack (Wed. night Late Night activity)
* Light jacket for Campfire Worship (Thurs. night Late Night activity)
* Shaving Cream (6th Graders only)

**PLEASE DON’T BRING:**

* iPod / iTouch / iPad
* Cell Phones
* MP3 Players
* Game systems

# WHAT SHOULD WE DO WITH MEDICINES?

Medicine can be checked in with the camp nurse and/or staff the week prior to camp or Tuesday morning before we depart for Chandler. Please send your child’s medicine in the original prescription containers with an index card indicating dosage instructions. **Medication of any kind (including over the counter medications) must be checked in with the camp nurse/staff member and cannot be left in camper’s luggage.**

# WHO IS THE CAMP SPEAKER?

This year our Children’s/Preteen Ministry Associate Jeremy Horton will be leading us in our chapel times as we study the history of God’s plan to dwell with His creation. We are very excited about the opportunity for our kids to hear from a familiar face as we trace God’s faithfulness throughout biblical history.

# DO YOU HAVE A BAND?

We do! This year we’ll be hosting the Michael Reid Band again. They have led worship for numerous children and student camps throughout the southeast. Visit their Facebook page for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/michaelreidmusic>

# PARENT VOLUNTEERS

We need 12 – 15 parent volunteers to help us with Summer Camp. If you are available to help, please let us know. Cost for Parent Volunteers is discounted at $200 which includes transportation, camp fees, all meals, and a camp t-shirt.

For additional information please contact Stephanie Hartsell (shartsell@shades.org) or Jeremy Horton (jhorton@shades.org) or call 822-1670 ext. 534.

Summer Camp 2016 Schedule

# Tuesday, July 5

7:30AM Load luggage | Fill out activity cards for Tuesday

8:00AM Depart for Camp Chandler

9:30AM Settle in Cabins/Get Dressed for Swim Test

10:15AM Swimming Tests (Boys first, then Girls)

12:00PM Lunch in Dining Hall

1:00PM Bible Study #1

2:00PM Water Activity #1

3:00PM Water Activity #2

4:00PM Free Swim (blob, water slide, swimming)

5:00PM Shower and Clean-Up

6:00PM Dinner

7:00PM Worship

8:15PM Snack Bar

8:45PM Late Night

10:00PM Back to Cabins

10:45PM Lights Out

# Wednesday, July 6

7:30AM Breakfast | Immediately following Breakfast we will take a Group Picture

8:15AM Individual Devotions | Counselor Meeting (Lion’s Lodge)

8:30AM Morning Celebration (Parker Lodge)

9:15AM Bible Study #2

# Wednesday, July 6 (Continued)

10:00AM Land Activity #1

11:00AM Land Activity #2

12:00PM Lunch

1:00PM Bible Study #3

2:00PM Water Activity #3

3:00PM Water Activity #4

4:00PM Free Swim (blob, water slide, swimming)

5:00PM Shower and Clean-Up

6:00PM Dinner

7:00PM Worship

8:15PM Snack Bar

8:45PM Late Night

10:00PM Back to Cabins

10:45PM Lights Out

# Thursday, July 7

7:30AM Breakfast

8:15AM Individual Devotions | Counselor Meeting (Lion’s Lodge)

8:30AM Morning Celebration (Parker Lodge)

9:15AM Bible Study #4

10:00AM Land Activity #3

11:00AM Land Activity #4

12:00PM Lunch

1:00PM Bible Study #5

# Thursday, July 7 (Continued)

2:00PM Water Activity #5

3:00PM Water Activity #6

4:00PM Free Swim (blob, water slide, swimming)

5:00PM Shower and Clean-Up

6:00PM Dinner

7:00PM Worship

8:15PM Snack Time

8:45PM Lakeside Campfire Worship/S’mores

10:00PM Back to Cabins

10:45PM Lights Out

# Friday, July 10

7:30AM Breakfast

8:00AM Individual Devotions | Counselor Meeting (Lion’s Lodge)

8:30AM Morning Celebration (Parker Lodge)

9:15AM Group Game (4th & 5th Grade) | 6th Grade Shaving Cream War

10:20AM Clean-Up Cabins | Load Busses

11:00AM Lunch

12:00PM Depart

2:30PM Arrive at SMBC