

# SUMMER STAFF- WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP:

What we know you need:

- KJV Bible—you will need a printed version, not just your phone (you are welcome to have other versions for your personal use but we have told our Wyoming and Illinois churches that we would use the KJV from the platform and with their campers. If a camper comes with another version we would love you to counsel them from the Bible they brought.) If you don't have a KJV just let me know and we probably have one that you can use for the summer.
- An official ID (a driver's license). To travel by air you will need to have the updated Real ID. You can check to see you already have this, look for a gold symbol with a star in the upper right corner of your state issued ID.
- Bedding for a twin bed (sheets/blanket or a sleeping bag—or both would give you option to sleep outside).
- Alarm clock of some kind (Cell phones will be put away while campers are present)
- Flashlight (other than your phone)
- Closed-toed shoes for hiking/activities/work areas (in Wyoming we will have some hiking over rough terrain and in Illinois we may have some creek walks. It may be wet and muddy from time to time at both camps. Operations staff need closed toed shoes for both kitchen work and outdoor projects.)
- Sunscreen/ChapStick
- Soap/shampoo/etc. for personal use (a shower "kit")
- Towel(s) for shower, water games and pool.
- Skirts (girls) or dress slacks and nice tops. Collared shirts and nice jeans/khakis (guys) for Sunday services. Camp services are pretty casual but will encourage a "step up" from the clothing of the day for the evening chapel. Girls don't have to wear skirts, but some campers will come prepared to dress up one night during the week. Guys, we encourage polo type shirts rather than the same T-shirt that you would wear to work in. Any of the guys who are interested in preaching during the summer at some of our local churches will have opportunities. If you are interested in this, please let me know and bring a tie as well as nicer pants and shirt.
- Swimsuit (more details coming for each gender)
- Layered options for clothing. It may be very cold in Wyoming and very hot in Illinois so prepare for both. A sweatshirt or jacket for both cool and wet days. (The weather can be unpredictable but we had quite a few cold wet days in Wyoming last summer.)
- Pants (most people will want to have a pair of jeans and maybe have some clothes for messy projects and hikes through rougher vegetation). Near knee-length shorts (the new standard is that if you make a fist and put your knuckles on your knee cap your shorts should come to your wrist.) More details in the gender specific lists.
- Over-the-counter medicine that you are likely to need this summer (for headaches, allergies, colds, etc.)

- Pens, Pencils, notebooks for personal study, counseling, taking notes

What you may want to have: (optional)

- Western-style clothes for staff picture and for greeting campers Monday afternoons (don't spend money on anything special but our theme is kind of western -- two railroad companies working their way across the "wilderness" to meet at Promontory Point in the transcontinental railroad race)
- Sandals or flip-flops (there is a walk to the shower house)
- Hat and Sunglasses
- Work Gloves (we will supply some for projects but if you have a favorite pair bring it)
- Musical Instruments (if you have questions email me, we will have a couple guitars and maybe we can share so you won't all need to bring yours)
- Camera (other than your phone) but we will be taking pictures throughout the summer and will share those with you.
- Your own water bottle
- Sleeping bag for campouts (we will have a few to loan but not enough for everyone)
- Clothespins and hangers—we will have a few at each cabin but if you have a few you want to toss in your bag that might be helpful.
- Some red and blue items for team spirit days.
- Rubber boots—totally optional but nice for rain and mud

What you **won't** need: (don't bring)

- Movies that are rated over PG or that have been in theatres within the past 5 years
- Clothing brands or imprints that flaunt ungodly lifestyles in their advertising
- T-shirts with torn off sleeves (we want to look professional even while working, shirt sleeves should have a finished edges and the arm holes shouldn't be oversized.)
- Tank tops. (They are fine for going to the pool/shower house but not during the rest of the day.)
- Headphones and ear buds. You may want these for travel but during the summer we are going to put them away so we can be "present" with the people we serve with. We will have some music in the work place but hope to have some times where we enjoy nature and quiet. No need to bring your personal devices since we will have a playlist for use on a couple of provided devices.

Please let me know if you have any questions! I may have overlooked something that you need or wonder about!