WE HAVE A SIMPLE MOTTO HERE: Provide a Place for God to Change Lives

We are a non-profit Christian Camp owned and operated by independent Christian churches in New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Established in 1956, it is our purpose to provide a unique mountain environment for God to use His Word, His people, and His creation to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, to renew lives, and to challenge all to follow Jesus. EPCC offers camps and retreats for all ages, as well as a place for your church to conduct their camps and retreats. EPCC also offers cabins for rent year around to support the Christian individual and family.

SUMMER CAMP DATES

FAMILY CAMP I MAY 27-30 HIGH SCHOOL CAMP JUNE 6-11 2016 MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP JUNE 13–18 2016

WOMEN'S RETREAT JULY 21-24 camp JULY 25-29 FAMILY CAMP II SEPT. 2-5



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MANAGER'S PERSPECTIVE

I had the privilege of baptizing my daughter last week. Floods of truth and hope have me all choked up! May God grant you new life too, as he has promised.

"Whoever lives and believes in me will never die." John 11:25 "Just as Christ was raised from the dead...we too may live a new life." Romans 6:4

"Death has been swallowed up in victory...Where O death is your sting?" 1 Cor. 15:54-55

"He has given us new birth into a living hope...into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade." 1 Peter 1:3

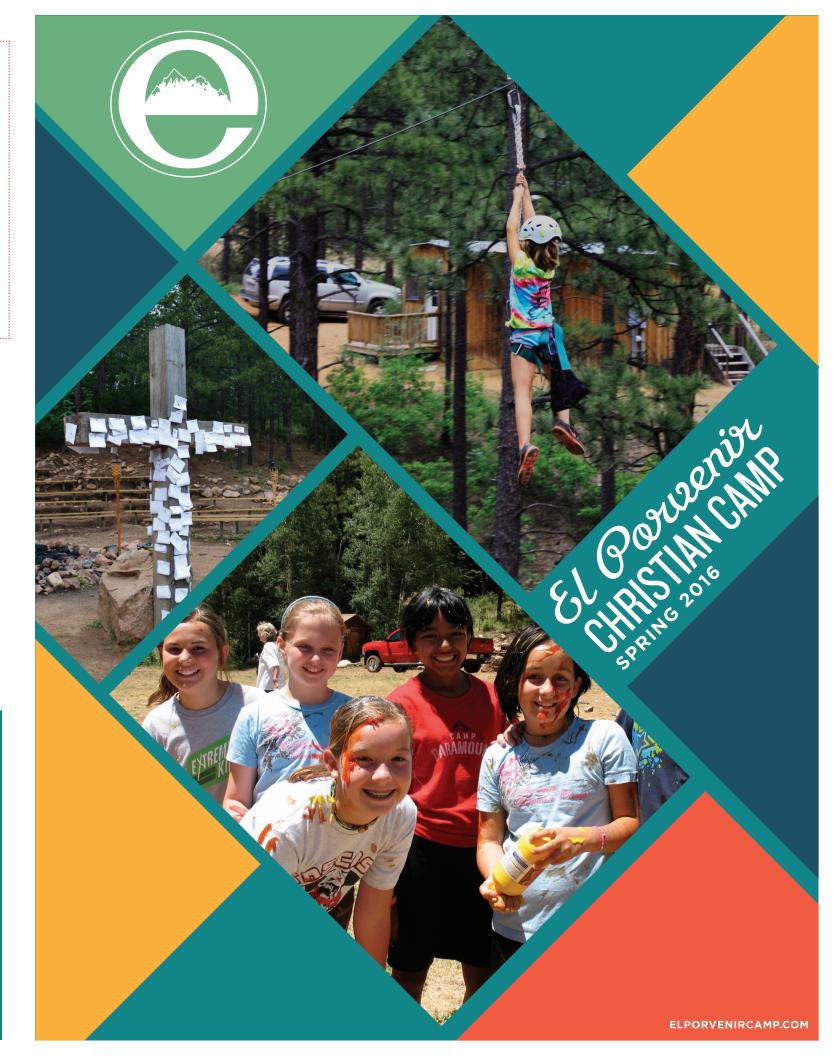
"If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, the old has gone, the new has come!" 2 Cor. 5:17

"To all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God." John 1:12

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." Hebrews 6:19

"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock." Revelation 3:20

- Nate Stafford



2016 SUMMER SCHEDULE

FAMILY CAMP 1:

May 27 - May 30 // Dean: Billy Kersh

SOUTH PLAINS CHURCH OF CHRIST:

June 2 - 5 // Contact: Trent Robertson

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP:

June 6 - 11 // Dean: Travis Vaclavik

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP:

June 13 - 18 // Dean: Darren Goddard

GOSPEL LIGHT BAPTIST:

June 20 - 24 // Contact: Mark Lenentine

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH:

June 25 - 29 // Contact: Chris Darden

PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S HOME:

June 29 – July 2 // Contact: John Emmitt

SOUTHERN ROCKIES DISCIPLESHIP CAMP:

July 2 - 9 // Contact: Bill Winzenburg

MESA BAPTIST CHURCH:

July 11 - 15 // Contact: Roger Grantham

AGAPE:

July 15 - 18 // Contact: Melinda Gabbard

WOMEN'S RETREAT:

July 21 - 24 // Dean: Lanie Peltier

ELEMENTARY CAMP:

July 25 - 29 // Dean: Billy Kersh

ENLISTED 2 ENDURE:

August 1 - 6 // Contact: Ray Rubi

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:

August 6 - 9 // Contact: Kyle Bamberg

IGLESIA CRISTIANA WASHINGTON:

August 11 - 14 // Contact: Joel Zamudio

HIGHER PURPOSE PROJECT:

August 18 - 21 // Contact: Dan Adams

HIGHLANDS UNIVERSITY:

August 27 - 28 // Contact: Julianne Salman

FAMILY CAMP 2:

September 2 - 5 // Dean: Julie Long

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REGISTER FOR CAMP

- 1. Go to elporvenircamp.com
- 2. Click on the appropriate link in the "Register for Camp" box on our home page.

VOLUNTEER AT CAMP

- 1. We are doing away with the old program of kitchen volunteers, but are starting a new volunteer program this summer in it's place, for students ages 13-18. (See the article about "The Core" in this issue.)
- 2. If you are wanting to be a sponsor from your church, you must be approved by your church.

 Once approved, you must register online. All adults coming to camp must undergo a background check before arriving at camp. (See article in this issue for details on our background check policy.)

COME TO CAMP!

Summer is right around the corner and the time to register for camp is NOW! Registrations are up on our website at elporvenircamp.com. There are many exciting things happening this summer and here is just a little bit of what you can look forward to at EPCC this summer:

High School Camp:

"People of Promise: A Study Through Genesis"
James Sharp and Maggie Schade will be walking us
through the book of Genesis this summer and Isaac
Schade will be leading us in worship. During our
missions time, Bobby Moore will share with us what God
is doing through CRF (Christian Relief Fund).

Middle School Camp:

"Faithful: The Life of Joseph"

Our speaker, Blake Clevenger, will teach us truths from the book of Genesis, regarding the life of Joseph. We will be led in worship by Hunter Escobar. Scott Berry will share about his work in the Philippines with the ministry, Educate Bohol.

Elementary Camp:

"Beyond the G<u>old"</u>

We will be learning about teamwork, perseverance, respect, sacrifice and strategy through the Old Testament heroes Nehemiah, Noah, Joseph, Abraham and Moses. Our theme verse will be 1 Corinthians 9:24,25: "Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever."

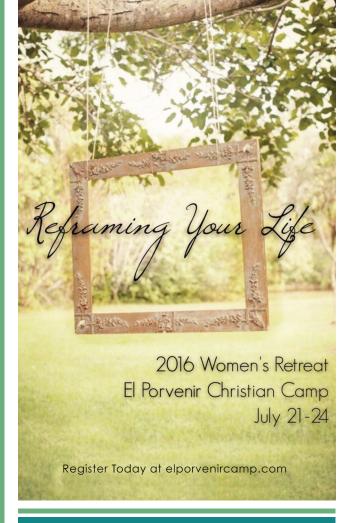
BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR ADULTS

Someone recently asked me, "What is the camp policy on background checks for adults who are at youth camps?"

It has always been our goal to ensure that all adults at camp are invested in the health and growth of students, and pose no risk to them. We have always asked churches to properly screen their sponsors, conduct criminal background checks, and enlist only the best for our kids. We also rigorously perform background checks on camp staff and train them to recognize when students are victims of abuse. This year we are enacting even tougher verification standards for churches, to further our goal of ensuring that every child stays safe. On arrival day at camp, churches must verify that they have met these minimum standards:

- 1. Every adult at camp must have successfully passed a background check within the past 2 years.
- 2. Background checks must include a national criminal database search and include a true 50 states sex offender registry search.
- No adult at camp can have any history of sexual abuse of any kind at any time.
- 4. No adult at camp can have any history of a violent crime against another person within the past 7 years.
- 5. If any adult arrives at camp without having successfully passed a background check, that adult may not be alone at any time with students, other than their own child, until a check is completed.

While we always trust God to take care of our kids, we take seriously our responsibility to do everything we can to ensure that each child stays safe!



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IS LOOKING FOR STUDENTS

who are ready to be more than just a camper. Students who love God, love the camp, and love to serve others!

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Students between the ages of 13 to 18

Where:

What:

A new volunteer and leadership development program called "The Core"

Why:

El Porvenir Because you love Christian Camp, God, EPCC, and Montezuma, NM serving others During one of five

sessions this summer between June 2 and August 9 (exact dates —>)

How:

Because you love God, EPCC, and serving others Find the application and get more info at elporvenircamp.com



JUNE 2–11 10 days JUNE 13–24 12 days CORE #3
JUNE 25
-JULY 9
15 days

JULY 11–29 19 days core #5 AUGUST 1–9 9 days