

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.

**2017
SUMMER CAMP DATES**

FAMILY CAMP I MAY 26-29 2017	HIGH SCHOOL CAMP JUNE 5-10 2017	MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP JUNE 12-17 2017
WOMEN'S RETREAT JULY 20-23 2017	ELEMENTARY CAMP JULY 24-28 2017	FAMILY CAMP II SEPT. 1-4 2017



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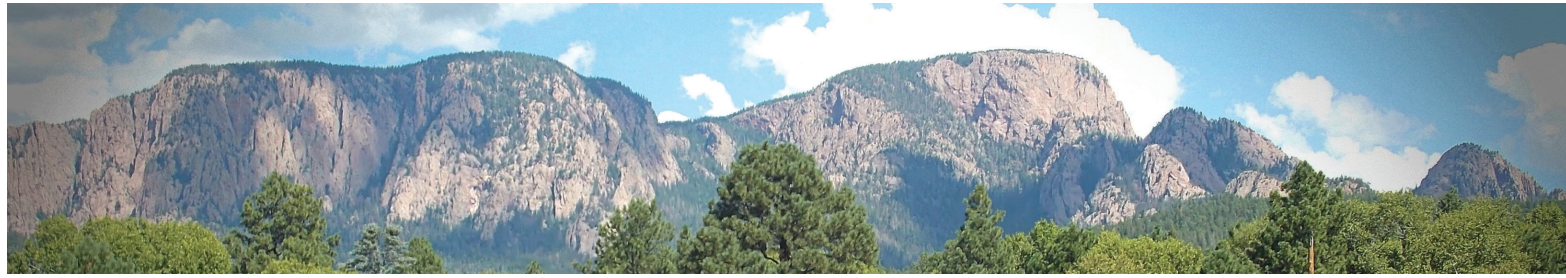


A LETTER FROM OUR DIRECTOR

What's in a name? This section once called The Manager's Perspective, is now A Letter From Our Director. This name change highlights two things: First, I am no longer the "camp manager." No, I didn't go anywhere...but my title has recently changed to reflect how our organization has adapted. Second, I'd like to say something different in this section. Instead of a short article about some perspective of camp life, I'd like to write directly to you and give you an important message. Today's important message is this: Thank you for your support of this ministry! Over the past few months, volunteers have been showing up exactly when we need them, with hearts aligned to our purpose and hands ready to work hard. It's humbling. It's inspiring. And we owe you a huge debt of gratitude. God is changing lives every day at camp, and you are his well crafted tool. Thank you for being available. I thank God for you! Love you all.

- Nate Stafford





2017 SUMMER SCHEDULE

- ▶ **FAMILY CAMP 1:**
May 26 – 29, Dean: Billy Kersh
- ▶ **SOUTH PLAINS CHURCH OF CHRIST, LUBBOCK:**
June 1 – 4, Contact: Trent Robertson
- ▶ **HIGH SCHOOL CAMP:**
June 5 – 10, Dean: Shane Wylie
- ▶ **MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP:**
June 12 – 17, Dean: Jef Firestone
- ▶ **GOSPEL LIGHT BAPTIST:**
June 19 – 23, Contact: Mark Lenentine
- ▶ **CHURCH OF CHRIST:**
June 26 – 30, Contact: Rob Croft
- ▶ **SOUTHERN ROCKIES DISCIPLESHIP CAMP:**
July 1 – 8, Contact: Bill Winzenburg
- ▶ **AMARILLO CHILDREN'S HOME:**
July 10 – 14, Contact: John Emmitt
- ▶ **AGAPE CAMP:**
July 14 – 17, Contact: Melinda Gabbard
- ▶ **WOMEN'S RETREAT:**
July 20 – 23, Dean: Ann Zerby
- ▶ **ELEMENTARY CAMP:**
July 24 – 28, Dean: Billy Kersh
- ▶ **ENLISTED 2 ENDURE:**
July 31 – August 5, Contact: Ray Rubi
- ▶ **HERITAGE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:**
August 5 – 8, Contact: Kyle Bamberg
- ▶ **IGLESIA CRISTIANA WASHINGTON:**
August 10 – 13, Contact: Joel and Rocio Zamudio
- ▶ **FAMILY CAMP 2:**
September 1 – 4, Dean: Julie Long
- ▶ **EL PORVENIR MINISTER'S RETREAT:**
September 14 – 16, Dean: Jeremy Bannister
- ▶ Denotes Camp sponsored events

HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPS

Both High School and Middle School Camps will be studying through the book of Romans this summer with a focus on the theme "Made Right".



HS CAMP DETAILS:

Speakers: Steven Eynon and Zach Taylor
Worship: Frontline from Ozark Christian College
Missions: Rapha House

MS CAMP DETAILS:

Speakers: Don Thomas and Matt Cameron
Worship: Central Wired Praise Team from Portales
Missions: Rapha House

WOMEN'S RETREAT



SARAH BECKMAN, SPEAKER

The Next Chapter: Resting, Restless, or Wrestling

What do the chapters for the "book" that is your life look like? No matter the circumstances of your life and what those chapters of your life have brought you, has there been a common thread of resting in the Lord? Of being completely restless and not knowing how to proceed or what to change? Of constantly wrestling with the Lord and others in your life, fighting for the "driver's seat", wanting your own way, or doubting God's leading in your life? Join us this summer as our speaker, Sarah Beckman, shares with us how to make the Next Chapter of our lives full of God's rest. Register today at elporvenircamp.com.

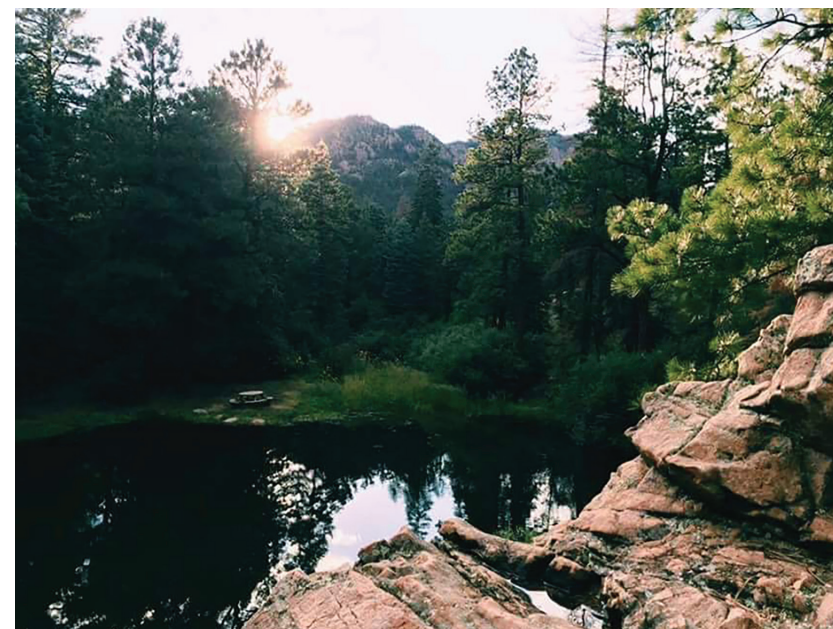
How do I?

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. Students ages 13-18 can volunteer at camp this summer by applying to attend one of our Core sessions. Go to our website and click on the "volunteer" link. You will find dates and other info on the application form there. Applications are due on April 30, but we will continue to fill positions until May 20 if there are openings. Email melinda@elporvenircamp.com if you have any questions about the Core program.
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.



HELP A STUDENT ATTEND SUMMER CAMP!!



At El Porvenir our mission is to provide a place where God changes lives. And every single summer, He does indeed change the hearts of those who

come here. The sad thing is, there are kids who would love to attend camp but do not have the financial means. Sadder still, we as a staff do not always know the students who might need the help. This is where YOU come in. All of you, who are in the local churches all around New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, and Colorado, YOU probably know a student who would love to attend a week of summer camp but cannot afford it. Maybe they sit behind you on Sunday morning, or maybe they live down the street. Whatever your connection is, if you know of a kid who needs financial help in coming to a week of camp there IS something that YOU can do about it! Most kids who can't afford to come to camp will NEVER ask for help. Instead, they just won't come. So we are asking you to look around and seek out those students that you know that might need help in getting to camp this summer. Once you've found them, there are a few things you can do:

1. **Pay for a student to attend camp.** Pretty simple and up front. If you have the means yourself, offer to pay a student's way to camp. If you know a specific student you would like to help, you can pay that student's tuition directly to the camp or give the student money to attend.
2. **Check to see if your church provides subsidies or scholarships.** Sometimes students have no idea that these are available to them. Find out and let them know. If you don't know a specific student from your church who needs help, but would like to help someone locally, give to your church's scholarship/subsidy fund.
3. **Corners of the Field Scholarships.** The camp has begun a scholarship fund for students who would like to attend camp, but do not have the means themselves and neither of the above options are available or enough. If you would like to help students from other churches or students who do not have a church home, then consider giving to El Porvenir's Corners of the Field Scholarship fund. Go to our website at elporvenircamp.com and click on our "Give" link to find out how you can donate to this fund.