



CAMP TALK

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2005 Copper Basin Workshop Recap

Thank You Copper Basin Bible Camp for hosting the 2005 Christian Camping Workshop. Special thanks to Wendell Gist, Workshop Coordinator, and the many CBBC staff members who volunteered their time and energies. An



excellent array of speakers shared their experiences on a wide range of subjects — from the light-hearted techniques of story telling that delight campers of every age to the very serious, timely techniques and concepts of crisis intervention in a camp setting.

Ethan Roberts (CBBC) demonstrates his story telling abilities during the workshop with the able assistance of a willing camper.



Attendees listen closely and learn much from presentations by workshop speakers.



Some of the 50+ Camp Workers at the Copper Basin 2005 Workshop



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Hurricane Katrina Hammers Gulf Coast Bible Camp

Hurricane Katrina inflicted a good bit of damage on our sister camp in Mississippi. The Dining hall sustained roof damaged, other buildings also sustained varying degrees of damage, trees down all over the campus, caretaker's trailer damaged, and power lines knocked down.

It is estimated that damage will exceed insurance coverage by at least \$25,000.

They could really use some financial help. 2005 was a down year financially for the camp and funds are limited.

Individuals and Camps wishing to assist financially can send funds to Bill Collins at the address below:

Make a check to GCBC and mail to:

Bill Collins
20064 Daniel Road
Saucier, Ms. 39574

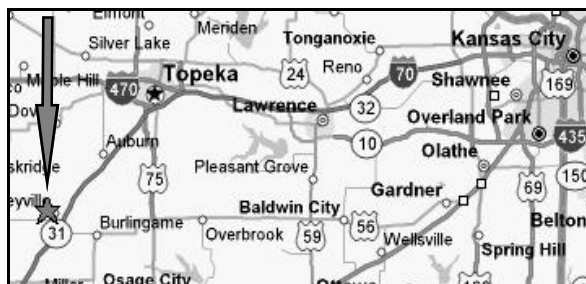
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE!!

Some of the Hurricane damage at Gulf Coast Bible Camp....



New Camp Emerges from the tall grass of Eastern Kansas

Maybe you didn't know, but Tallgrass is "the happenin' thing" among churches of Christ in the greater Kansas City area. About 12 churches have been working together on a joint Christian camp development effort. Efforts have concentrated on developing 156 acres of restored tallgrass prairie, just NW of Harveyville, Kansas.



The Main Lodge/Retreat Center is approaching completion. It is a two-story, four-season, log structure which will sleep 50, seat 200 (main room), and feed 120 (dining area and kitchen).

Tallgrass Christian Camp is destined to be known for (besides spiritual growth) its beautiful Prairie

Tallgrass setting. There are 500—600 kids in the participating churches of Christ in eastern Kansas and western Missouri, who already attend camp at various rented facilities, and who are waiting anxiously to see our new camp facility become ready to use. Soon they will be establishing their own Tallgrass traditions.

Thanks and God's blessing to all the wonderful people who have made this possible! Lord willing, some camp sessions will be conducted this summer. Tallgrass has already been chosen to host the annual National Christian Camping Workshop in 2010.

You can keep up with their progress at: <http://tallgrasschristiancamp.org>



Smokey McKinney

Faithful Camp Worker Battles Lymphoma

Smokey McKinney, who lives in Lawrence, Kansas, and one of the leaders involved in the establishment of Tallgrass Christian Camp, is fighting a heroic battle with lymphoma. Please keep Smokey, his family, and his medical team in your prayers. One of the treatments in the near future will be a stem-cell transplant. You can keep up with Smokey's current status by reading his web-blog at the web address below.

www.xanga.com/fastbartislart

Smokey, along with Bill Carriger, another Tallgrass leader, have attended several National Christian Camping Workshops and will be quick to tell you of the many things they have learned. Knowing about the experiences of others has helped them in the planning and decision-making process of building a new campsite. They have also been a great encouragement to other camp workers by sharing their vision, excitement, and dedication to the ministry of Christian Camping. May God continue to bless their efforts!

2006 National Christian Camping Workshop Schedule

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE IN CHRISTIAN CAMPING

MONDAY—April 3

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Registration, Set up Displays, Settle In
6:00 - 6:15	Welcome to workshop - Bob Manasco
6:30 - 7:00	Dinner
8:00 - 9:00	"The Theme" - Bob Manasco
9:00 - 9:30	Discussion period
9:30 - 9:40	"Excellence: Right Focus, Right Results" - Dale Smith
9:40 - 10:00	Campfire Devotional - Jeff Goff

TUESDAY—April 4

8:00 - 8:45	Breakfast
8:45 - 9:00	Personal Meditation - Silent time.
9:00 - 10:00	"Developing a Great Camp Board" - Bill Phillis
10:00-10:30	Discussion Period
10:45-11:45	"Keeping Our Campers Safe" - Chris Jones
11:45-12:15	Discussion Period
12:15-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Rest Time
2:00-2:45	Singing - Bill Collins
3:00-4:30	Visit a Mennonite Store
6:00-6:45	Dinner
7:00-8:00	"Techniques of Counseling" - Bill Hopkins
8:00-8:30	Discussion Period
8:30-9:30	"Camp Financial Matters" - Jay Wilkins
9:30-10:00	Discussion
10:00-10:30	Campfire Devotional - Charlie Grinnell, Jr.

WEDNESDAY—April 5

8:00-8:45	Breakfast
8:45-9:00	Personal Meditation - Silent Time.
9:00-10:00	"Bible Teaching Materials" - Mike Grose, Greg Tidwell, Brad Poe
10:00-10:30	Discussion
10:45-11:45	"Singing at Camp" - Hal James
11:45-12:15	Discussion
12:15-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Rest Time
2:00-2:45	Annual Meeting, NACC
3:00-4:45	Trip to Serpent Mound
5:00-5:45	Singing - Bill Collins
6:00-6:45	Dinner
7:00-8:00	Entertainment - Ohio Roosters
8:00-9:00	"Let's Grow, Grow, Grow! - but How?" - Dale Smith
9:00-9:30	Discussion Period
9:30-10:15	Campfire Devotional - David Ward

THURSDAY—April 6

8:00-8:45	Breakfast
8:45-9:00	Personal Meditation
9:00-9:45	Workshop Wrap-up

National Christian Camping Workshop

April 3 – 6, 2006

Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp ~ Hillsboro OH

THEME: STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE IN CHRISTIAN CAMPING

A few words from our Workshop Host:

Come to Ohio in April.....For the 2006 National Christian Camping Workshop hosted by Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. A slate of outstanding speakers is scheduled. The keynote speaker will be Dale Smith from Bowling Green, Ky. Dale is an author of many books and in demand as a program speaker. He is a great supporter of Christian camping. After each speaker there will a period for discussion. Please come prepared to contribute to these discussions.

On Tuesday afternoon we will visit a nearby Mennonite store. The Mennonites in this area are very much like the Amish. Wednesday afternoon we will be going to an ancient Indian burial mound formed in the shape of a snake, called Serpent Mound. It also is nearby.

The Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp board is working hard to make this a great and useful workshop. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship with camp workers from across the nation. We hope to see you at Fort Hill – April 3 thru April 6, 2006.

Bob Manasco, Camp Director

2006 Workshop Registration Form

National Christian Camping Workshop

April 3 - 6, 2006

Attendee Name (s): _____

Name of Camp: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number / E-mail: _____ / _____

Would you like us to confirm your registration by e-mail? Yes _____ No _____

Semi-Private rooms available on a first come/first served basis.

RV hookups are available—Contact Bob Manasco for details

Please list any special conditions (food allergies, diabetic, etc.) that we need to take into consideration in providing you a healthy and comfortable stay.

Workshop fee is \$45 per person. \$80 per Couple Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
Checks to Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp

Please mail this form with payment to:

Bob Manasco
13500 Fort Hill Road
Hillsboro, OH 45133

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1102 East Tyler
Washington IA 52353

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Dear Camp Family,

You know, it is just around the corner, and soon the National Christian Camping Workshop will be here. I've been looking forward to it for a long time. I always get excited thinking about spending time with all of the wonderful people that work at all of our Christian Summer Camps. I am positive that this year's workshop will be fantastic and very beneficial to all who attend.

David E. Ward I have been going to the National Christian Camping Workshop since 1997 and have enjoyed every one of them. This summer I will be helping with one of the summer sessions at Camp Bandina in Texas and hope to have another awesome experience. Please, if at all possible, we would love to have your involvement in the workshop so we can glean from your input, be encouraged by your presence, and built up by the example of your dedication to serving the Lord.

God is So Good. May He Bless each and everyone this summer. May you truly Bask in the Glory of our Heavenly Father and enjoy the fruits of your labor in this Fabulous ministry.

David E. Ward
NACC President

P.S. Please do not forget to bring your items for our Annual Silent Auction during the workshop. Proceeds go to help support the work of the NACC. Thanks...