# West Central Christian Service Camp

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# Plan Your Retreats!

Did we tell you yet that we are open for retreats?!

We are very excited about that. In fact, we recently completed a retreat the weekend of the 25<sup>th</sup>. It was a great time! We've included some pictures of some of the snacks that they requested for a surprise night the leader had planned. We had so much fun creating and making them.

When you call to plan your retreat – remember that we are here to help make your retreat special. If you have some ideas and need some help, let's toss those ideas around and see what we can come up with. We are thankful that God continues to bless WCCSC with the opportunities to share experiences and have fun while doing it.

## CALL OR EMAIL TO SET UP A RETREAT!

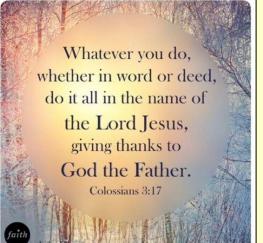
It was a FRIENDS theme surprise so we had snacks representing each character on the show! Below are three of the six snacks.



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# Fall Work Day NOVEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

# WCCSC FALL WORKDAY \*\* DATE CHANGE \*\*

Due to a possible "close-contact" Covid-19 exposure, we have moved the date of our Fall Workday from this Saturday to Saturday November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to be careful.

We plan on starting at 9:00 am and will provide lunch whether it be hotdogs over the fire or something else!

Of course, all events and scheduled dates have to be fluid due to outside circumstances and weather. We appreciate your understanding and hope this has not caused an inconvenience to other plans.

Thank you to all that had informed us of your desire to help and we hope that we will see you on the 28<sup>th</sup>!

Please let us know if you plan to attend. Also, dress and prepare accordingly for working outside.



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**Recent Storm Damage Sep 2020** 



Old Office Building is going to be torn down.

# WCCSC ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT

### Ray Burhart - Olathe Christian Church

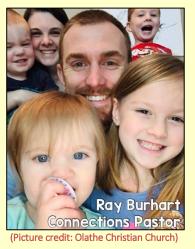
Ray Burhart is the Connections/Adult Discipleship Pastor at Olathe Christian Church in Olathe, Kansas. Ray helps people follow Jesus by connecting new people to the church, organizing adult discipleship opportunities, equipping new leaders, and leading OCC's adult small group ministry. He is married to Jessica Burhart and they have four children. Ray is still an active participant in West Central's camp season. For many years he has served as faculty in many different forms and most recently served as a Dean. Thank You Ray for serving faithfully at West Central!

While Ray first started "officially" attending West Central as a camper at Day Camp, his earliest memories of WCCSC came before that. His father Paul Burhart served as a dean (like father like son?); because of that service he, Ray, was able to enjoy the camp on his own terms. He created new trails, enjoyed the special swimming privileges and found interesting creatures while the "Big Kids" were in class or chapel. While Ray gets to help lead those "Big Kid" classes now, some things about West Central never change.

"West Central taught me the value of authentic relationships! The camp has always placed a high value on nurturing genuine personal connection, which is exactly what I try to do now. Some of the best youth ministers in the world were leaders at a week of camp at West Central. Many of these heroes are still in ministry today! The value of that example to students (of all ages) cannot adequately be quantified. West Central Camp was the place that brought all of these amazing Christian men and women leaders together. That legacy still lives on today!"

### WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO SUPPORTERS OF WEST CENTRAL?

THANK YOU!!! Those words are a feeble attempt at my full gratitude because I am saying thank you in my heart to people I know and people I have never met. West Central simply doesn't happen without amazing people believing in the mission of what this special ministry is and will continue to be! God bless those who have given of their time and their resources to make camp so special.



### FAVORITE FOOD AT CAMP?

I'm a simple guy - my favorite food at camp has to be the corndogs! Especially the leftovers the faculty gets to enjoy after a long day at camp!

### HOW MANY YEARS AT WCCSC?

I attended as a camper from day camp though elementary, some Jr. High & High School. In addition to attending as an adult as a leader, it's been around 20 + years total.

### FAVORITE MEMORY AT WCCSC?

I learned how to swim in the camp pool. I learned how to dive off the camp diving board. So the pool would have to be my favorite camp memory as a kid.

# WCCSC ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT

Our next Alumni Highlight will be featured in the DECEMBER 2020 Issue! It will be featuring Megan Ritchie.

### HOW CAN YOU SUBMIT A NAME for ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT?

We ask that you provide for us: Name of person, work that they are doing to further the Kingdom, Contact information for person submitted. Please send all Alumni Highlight nominations to: westcentralcamp@gmail.com

# CAMP NEWS

# **GRACE GIVERS**

The importance of having a Grace Giver program at WCCSC is vital to the continuation of our camp and programs.

Our Grace Giver program has been set up to aid the camp when in times of special need. We'd like to explain in more detail what being a Grace Giver is like.

As a Grace Giver, you may be called on to give your designated amount no more than three times per year. At the time that you sign up to be a Grace Giver, you will determine what amount you are able to give in that time of special need for the camp. For example, if you desire to give \$200 each time we called on you - you would not be asked to give over that amount. Of course, you are able to give over that amount if led to do so. Your total Grace Giver amount, set by you, would be \$600 if called on three times that year.

Many years, we have not used our Grace Giver program because the time of special need was not there. Some years, the program was used once or twice.

Our goal is not to call on our Grace Gives more than three times each year when there are needs.

This year, we have had to use the program due to Covid-19 and the cancellation of camp. We are so thankful to our Grace Givers that were able to step up to the plate in our difficult times while going through tough times as well.

# Between our monthly givers, special offerings by churches and individuals and our Grace Givers – we have been able to work through the punches of 2020 that have landed on all of us so far.

We are thankful for that support and pray for the continued support as we navigate this difficult season. This has been a weird year for all of us and we are excited to see just how God is at work and are also hoping for a bit of normalcy in the upcoming year and camp season!

# If you are currently a Grace Giver OR would like to become a Grace Giver, please send us your updated information and designated amount.

# WCCSC FALL CALENDAR

- NOV 1<sup>st</sup>: Adrian Christian Church presentation
- NOV 22<sup>ND</sup>: Northside Christian
  Church (Kansas City)
- NOV 28<sup>th</sup>: WCCSC Fall Workday
  @ 9am
- DEC 6<sup>TH</sup>: Westline Christian Churc presentation

## PLAN FOR THIS FALL! \* 2 DAY GETAWAY!

- \* YOUTH GROUP DAY RETREATS (SEE BELOW)
- \* PRAYER PARTNERS

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### YOUTH GROUP DAY RETREATS!

Is your youth group meeting? We would love to host you for a Saturday Day Retreat! We would like to open the facilities for you to experience the Camp feel that we missed this summer at <u>only the cost</u> <u>of lunch</u>! Make it an all-day event and have: worship, lunch, field activities, bonfire hotdogs and even have a campfire!

Contact the camp today!



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I want to partner with WCCSC in the following ways! (CIRCLE ALL IF YOU WOULD LIKE!)

PRAYER PARTNER MONTHLY GIVING GRACE GIVER