

# CROSS TRAILS MINISTRY

## SUMMER CAMP 2018

### Ebert Ranch Day Camp August 6-10, 2018



Dear Parent,

Thank you for choosing Cross Trails Ministry for your child this summer! Camp is truly a place where youth of all ages can safely explore their God-given gifts, their faith, and their part in the Christian community.

This sheet is designed to provide answers to many of the most common questions people ask as they help their child prepare for camp. Please read the information carefully, and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. It is important to us that you feel comfortable with your child's camping experience.

Thank you again for allowing us to serve your child!

In Christ,  
Jessica Pina

#### Arrival & Departure

Your camper should arrive at Ebert at 9 am each day. If your child will be late, please let us know by calling (830) 864-4669.

Other Options:

Early Drop Off at 8am for an additional \$15 (Includes Breakfast)

Extended Care till 4pm for an additional \$10

Camp ends at 3 pm each day. All campers must be picked up between 3 and 3:15 pm.

To ensure the safety of your child, our policy requires that all campers be signed out at the close of each camp day by a person designated on the Health Form.

Family and friends are welcome to come at 1:30 pm on Friday for our closing worship and program.

#### Directions to Camp

Ebert Ranch Camp  
30700 Ranch Road 385  
Harper, TX 78631

**From Kerrville:**

Take I-10 North West to exit 492 (Ranch Road 479).

Turn right onto RR 479 and travel north for 8 miles.

Turn right onto US Highway 290 and travel east for 1 mile.

Turn left onto Ranch Road 385 and go 2 miles. Ebert Ranch is on the right side.

**From Harper or Fredericksburg:**

Take Hwy 290 through Harper towards Junction. Turn right onto Ranch Road 385 (approx. 4 miles west of Harper).

Travel 2 miles (North) on Ranch Road 385. Ebert Ranch is on the right side.

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### What to Bring

**Daily Dress:** All campers should come dressed in comfortable clothes that can get dirty. Because of the rough terrain, campers need to wear tennis shoes or boots rather than sandals.

The items listed below should be packed in a small bag or backpack for your child to bring each day. Please remember to put your child's name on everything!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible   | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect Repellent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swimsuit  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swim Towel  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapstick        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sun Hat or Cap  | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeans or Pants   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription Medications in Original Container            |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Flotation Device - if your child usually wears one |   |

### What Not to Bring

In order to keep in the camping spirit, please leave the following items at home. If these items are brought to camp, they will be kept in the office for the duration of the camp day.

Camp does not insure personal belongings of campers.

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| -Money                     | -Weapons of Any Kind    |
| -Cell Phones               | -Gameboys               |
| -Gum/Candy                 | -Toys                   |
| -Trading Cards             | -iPod/MP3 Player        |
| -Sandals/Open Toed Shoes   | -Anything Valuable      |
| -Personal Sports Equipment | -Tobacco Products       |
|                            | -Over the Counter Drugs |

### Swimming

Campers will have the opportunity to swim each day. Camp lifeguards and lookouts will be on duty. If you do not wish your child to swim, please let us know on the first day of camp.

**Swimming is one of the first things that we do during the Day Camp day.** It is great if campers come dressed in their swim attire each day. This insures campers the maximum amount of swim time.

### Items to Bring on the First Day

**In order to complete your child's registration, the following items need to be brought on the first day of camp.**

- Balance Due (if any)
- Health History Form—signed
- Activities Release Form—signed



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### Health and Wellness

Please fill out the health history form and activities release form as completely as possible. Be certain to sign it!

If your child takes medication, please note that the prescription medicine should be brought to camp and turned in to the health center in its original container. Campers should not bring non-prescription medication. Non-prescription medications are covered on the health form.

On the first day of camp, all campers will check in with the Day Camp Director. At this time, all medications are checked in and campers may be screened for lice, athlete's foot and any pre-existing conditions that may effect their participation in camp activities.

In the event of serious camper injury or illness, it is Cross Trails Ministry's policy to notify parents immediately by phone. Your insurance company will be responsible for the cost of any injury to or illness of your child while at camp. Cross Trails Ministry carries secondary accident insurance only.

### Photo Information

Parents will be able to view online photos of camp during the week. Photos of each day will be updated overnight for viewing the next day. For pictures, you will need to set up a Bunk1 account. Please follow the instructions that will be made available each day at check in and check out. Viewing photos are free and each download is \$.99. You may also purchase photo gifts at their website. For your camper's safety, pictures are password protected. The password will be emailed to your family email at the beginning of your camp session.

### Community Celebration!

All immediate family members of campers are invited to attend our Community Celebration!

We will begin our community celebration Friday at 1:30 pm with root beer floats and move into our celebration and closing worship at 2 pm. We are excited to have your campers showcase what they have been learning during the week as well as spend time together with you in worship.

Please note that we do not allow alcoholic beverages, smoking or family pets on our site.

### The Camp Store "The Trading Post"

The Ebert camp store, "The Trading Post", will be open Friday after the community celebration and closing worship. Snack items are available for purchase at \$1.

The Trading Post also sells various camp attire and memorabilia (T-shirts, caps, jewelry, stuffed animals, etc). Shirts sell for \$20, hats and caps range from \$5 to \$20, and stuffed animals cost \$8 to \$10. All other items range in price from \$1 to \$35.

Cash, checks, Mastercard, Visa, and Discover are accepted at the Trading Post. Checks may be made payable to Ebert Ranch or Cross Trails Ministry.



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### Camper Behavior

We reserve the right to dismiss campers from the program if their behavior is disruptive or destructive to the camp community or property. No refunds will be given for behavior dismissals.

If your child has special physical, emotional or behavioral needs, please contact the camp office prior to the Day Camp week to make arrangements for accommodations.

### Contacting Camp

If your child is sick or running late, please call (830) 864-4669.

If you call during non-business hours, please know that the machine is checked regularly for messages, including just prior to breakfast and just after lights-out.

Because it interrupts our program, children may not receive phone calls during the camp day. However, if there is an emergency, please call our office at the above number.

### Coming Events

#### Lutheran Camp Chrysalis

Family & Friends Labor Day Retreat — August 31-September 3, 2018

Upper Elementary Advent Retreat (Grades 3-6) — Nov 30-Dec 2, 2018

Family Advent Festival Retreats— November 30-December 2, 2018

December 7-9, 2018, and December 14-16, 2018

#### Ebert Ranch Camp

Mother/Daughter Retreat — October 12-14, 2018

Girls in Grades 4-6 and their Mothers

Father/ Son “Dangerous” Retreat—October 19-21, 2018

Boys in Grades 4-6 and their Fathers

#### Lutheran Fall Festival in Fredericksburg

Fredericksburg Markt Platz — September 15, 2018