KIDS CAMP PRAYER GUIDE

A 5 day prayer guide for the church, camp leaders, parents, grandparents, and kids!

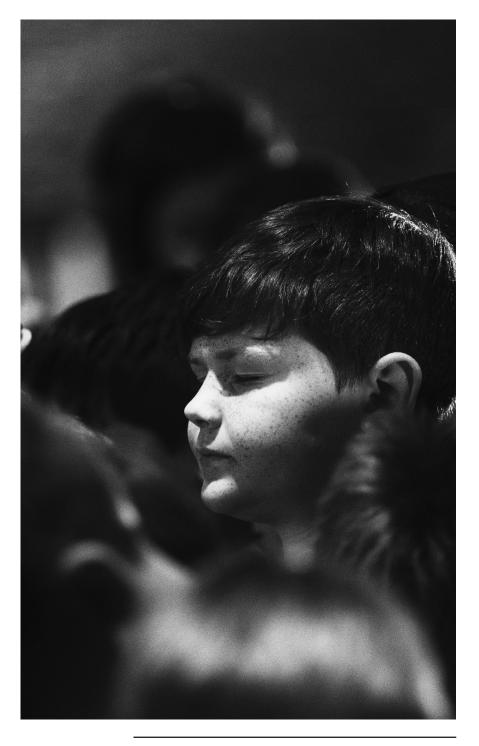




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Thank you for praying diligently for students, leaders, and evangelists who will be attending this summer's kids camps. All across our nation students will gather together for a week full of opportunities to hear the Word of God and experience the incredible presence of the Holy Spirit. Many will respond to the Spirit for the first time, while others will be drawn closer and have supernatural experiences with the true and living God.

Kids camp is a unique place of unprecedented life change for so many of our young people. Spending a week removed from distractions and focused on spiritual things is a recipe for supernatural results. Recently, I was blessed to attend a leadership meeting at a local church camp. As part of the prayer and response time, leaders were asked how many had encountered God in a profound way at that very campground. Pastors and leaders left their seats and stood all around the auditorium in the very places that God had left an indelible mark upon their lives. For the majority, this is where they felt God's call to ministry. Others remembered receiving mental or physical healing, others met with the Holy Spirit in a powerful and unique way.

Please join me in agreement that students will have their own history making moments at camp this summer. Moments where God reveals himself by healing hurts, dispelling confusion, and calling students to a life of serving God. Camp is a place where many learn how to pray and respond to the Holy Spirit. Many will hear God's voice for the first time. We are believing God to call students to be pastors and missionaries, as well as godly business, community, and church leaders.

Other benefits of camp are students obtaining an expanded view of the Kingdom of God. They are encouraged to discover that there are hundreds of other students their age who are serving God with all their heart. Kids pastors and leaders are encouraged, inspired, and equipped which blesses their ongoing ministry to students and families. As a pastor, those weeks at camp were always a catalyst for spiritual growth and maturity - propelling our ministry to a higher level and bringing residual spiritual benefits even to students who were not able to attend.

We believe prayer changes things. Will you join me in laying the spiritual highway that the Holy Spirit will walk freely over into the lives of all those at kids camp this summer?

Kelly Presson National Children's Ministries Director "Students will have their own history making moments at camp."

Pray that kids will not allow fear or separation anxiety to set in as they prepare for camp.

2 Timothy 1:7

Phillippians 4:6

PRAYER

Lord, you see the hearts of your children who are excited about camp yet dreading the first night being away from home. Your Word reminds us that you have not given us a spirit of fear, but you fill our minds and hearts with love and the ability to control our thinking. I ask that right now Holy Spirit you comfort anxious hearts with your presence and relieve all fears.

DAY TWO

Pray that leaders will have divinely inspired ideas for camp activities, daily schedules and small group conversation.

Ephesians 3:20

Isaiah 55:8

PRAYER

Lord, as leaders prepare for camp, I ask that you would still their hearts and minds before you. May they not have to strive to come up with ideas, but I ask that you drop your thoughts into their hearts and minds. Give them dreams at night and visions during the day of how they can rearrange their agendas to fit your purpose. I pray for divine inspiration as they use their creativity for games and small group questions. No detail is too small for you to use.

DAY THREE

Pray that speakers will overcome distractions and any opposition that comes their way prior to camp.

Colossians 3:2

Proverbs 2:2-5

PRAYER

Lord, we come before you asking that you keep the ear of our camp speakers close to your chest. May they listen to your heartbeat and decipher what you are wanting to say to your children this summer. We pray that you would grab their attention and they would not lose focus and become distracted by the cares of this life. We ask for clarity and inspiration as they prepare to pass your presence to the next generation.

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DAY FOUR

Pray for worship teams to operate in unity as they practice and clarity as they choose songs that will speak to the kid's hearts.

Psalm 150:6

John 4:24

PRAYER

Lord, your Word tells us to make a joyful noise. Worship teams can face many different challenges as they put a lot of effort into staying in tune and playing in unison. We just ask that you help them as they prepare and practice so that their hearts and minds stay on you when they lead worship. May the worship and praise offered up this summer minister to you Lord, and may you be pleased with our joyful noise. You are worthy of it all.

DAY FIVE

Pray that finances will not prevent a child from coming to summer camp.

Psalm 84:11

Phillippians 4:19

PRAYER

Lord, as churches of all sizes and from all different locations prepare for camp, I pray that there will not be one child who is not able to attend because of finances. Lord, we know that the costs around us have gone up, but we place our trust in you and your ability to make a way where there seems to be no way. I ask Lord that you would move on the hearts of grandparents and aunts and uncles to scholarship children who are underprivileged. Open your storehouse, we pray, so that no one misses the opportunity to attend summer camp.

Pray your students are **THERE.**

Isaiah 41:10 Phillippians 4:19

PRAYER

God, today I pray that You would make a way for every child and every teen to get to camp this summer. I pray those with financial difficulty would find a way has been made for them to go. I pray each and every one who goes to camp would come back changed—supercharged with the Word of God. I pray every child would find Christian friends and leaders back home who would help connect them with others so together they can stand strong for Christ.

DAY TWO

Pray your students are **READY.**

Psalm 119:133 2 Timothy 2:21

PRAYER

God, today I pray for the students who are going to camp. I pray even now You would show them the areas of their lives that aren't fully devoted to You. I pray You would show them any areas You aren't pleased with. I pray they would give those areas over to You so You can fill their souls with a staying power of the Spirit. I pray our kids and teens would continue to live for You their entire lives and never let anyone lead them astray.

DAY THREE

Pray your students feel **SAFE** and **LOVED.**

Psalm 46:1 John 15:12-13

PRAYER

God, I pray for my students' safety while traveling and during camp. May the students get to and from camp safely. At camp, may there be no major injuries and students would safely enjoy all that camp has to offer. During altar call times and quiet moments, I pray students would feel safe to hear from You. I pray students will build relationships with other students and with leaders. I pray students will create lasting friendships and not feel lonely or isolated. May the leaders **SEE** the students and help them build those relationships. I pray students connect with a leader who can help them walk closer with You. May there be meaningful conversations with You at the center.

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DAY FOUR

Pray your students **ENCOUNTER GOD.**

Jeremiah 33:3

Jeremiah 29:13

PRAYER

God, today I pray you would speak to kids and teenagers at camp. May they hear Your voice. May they discover You are real and that You care about their lives. May they discover the Word of God is the Book of Truth, and Your words and promises are true. I pray they come to lean on the Bible to guide their lives. May they discover You through prayer. May they hear Your voice and recognize it when you speak. May they live for You even when those around them do not. May their feet be planted in You and their lives harvest a multitude of souls.

DAY FIVE

Pray for **AFTER CAMP.**

Colossians 1:9-10

John 10:27

PRAYER

God, as students return from camp, I pray every church and KidMin leader would be sensitive to Your voice. May we as leaders provide opportunities for every child to build upon their camp altar experience. May we encourage continued pursuit of the Holy Spirit during worship and response times. May we promote listening for and responding to the voice of the Holy Spirit. May all of our students know Your voice, respond to Your leading, and be filled with spiritual gifts.

Pray for your kid's friends also attending camp.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

1 John 4:7

PRAYER

God, thank you for the friends who are attending camp with my child. I pray they have a great time and are impacted by what they learn at camp. Move in their lives and let them know You are real. I pray they are open to hearing from You and are excited to know more about You.

DAY TWO

Pray for the leaders, staff, and speakers.

Hebrews 13:7

Colossians 1:9

PRAYER

God, I pray for the leaders, staff, and speakers who will be at camp. Help them be prepared for the week and ready to help students learn more about You. Give them wisdom when speaking and praying for students. May You give them rest leading up to camp. I pray they have an experience with You, and that they walk away more in love with You and more excited about ministering to students.

DAY THREE

Pray kids will have fun and that they will build relationships with new friends.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Hebrews 10:24-25

PRAYER

God, I pray kids will have fun and make new friends at camp. I pray that any nerves they have will wash away, and they will be excited for everything to come. I pray my kid and other students will meet incredible friends, be supported and loved well by the leaders, and grow to see the gospel clearly while they are there.



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DAY FOUR

Pray your kid will have courage to make bold, lifechanging decisions.

Psalm 138:3

Ephesians 3:12

PRAYER

God, I pray that when an opportunity for boldness appears, my kid will be ready and willing. I know camp is going to be fun, but I also know camp is about getting closer to You. Help all the kids have courage to say yes to what You want them to experience at camp and what You want for their life.

DAY FIVE

Pray that kids will take what they learned at camp home with them to share with friends and family.

Psalm 103:2

Deuteronomy 8:18

PRAYER

God, when camp is over, help my kid not forget about the amazing experiences they had. Help them to continue getting closer to You after camp is over. Help them to continue to seek after You and learn more about You. I pray they will use what they learned to influence their friends and family to follow You. Let my kid be a Christ-like example for those in their life who don't know You.

Pray your grandchild will experience God's peace throughout camp.

Philippians 4:7

Psalm 29:11

PRAYER

God, we pray for our grandchildren. Thank you that they have the opportunity to spend time focused on you. Even though they might be in new surroundings, away from family, and making new friends, I pray they would experience your perfect peace. Help them to put their trust in you and depend upon you when they face new situations. Place leaders and friends around them who can give them the support and comfort they need in moments of anxiety. May their experiences at camp build new confidence in them as they deepen their relationship with you.

DAY TWO

Pray your grandchild will be formed by God's word.

Romans 12:2

2 Timothy 3:16

PRAYER

God, we pray for our grandchildren. May Your Word transform their hearts and minds. Lead them towards Your truth and protect them from the lies of this world. Use Your Word to convict them and correct them. Help them to be captivated by the message that is presented at camp. Give them the understanding they need to apply Your word to their life.

DAY THREE

Pray your grandchild makes a commitment to Jesus.

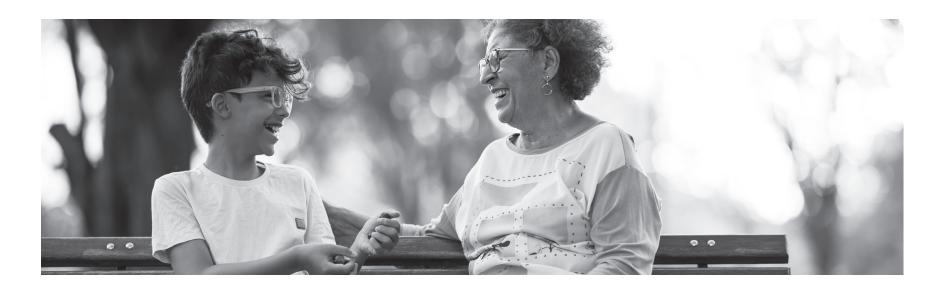
Romans 10:10

Matthew 16:24

PRAYER

God, we pray for our grandchildren. Help them to have a fresh revelation of who you are and all that you have done for them. Help them to experience your presence and give them boldness to respond to what you are doing in their heart. May all they hear and experience at camp lead them to making a greater commitment to you.

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DAY FOUR

Pray your grandchild experiences the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 1:8 Acts 2:4

PRAYER

God, we pray for our grandchildren. Help them to take the next step in their faith journey. Let the times at the alter be impactful moments where they passionately pursue you. May you fill them with the power of the Holy Spirit so they can accomplish everything you have set before them. Help them to have confidence in the work you have done in them.

DAY FIVE

Pray your grandchild leaves with a new confidence to share their faith.

Romans 1:16

Matthew 28:19

PRAYER

God, we pray for our grandchildren. May they leave camp different from the way they go to camp. Transformed them by Your Word and Your Spirit. Empower them to be your witnesses. Give them a new boldness to be a light in a dark world. Help them to have opportunities to share your good news with those far from you.

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DAY ONE

Pray that every camper feels safe.

Psalm 91:1

Proverbs 18:10

PRAYER

God, as I go to camp, please keep me safe. Help me know that you are always with me, and when I miss home or think of something that makes me fearful, I can always come to you. I pray all campers would not get hurt and my family back home would feel comfortable with me being away. I ask that every camper feel safe enough to share their words, feelings, and thoughts with each other, and our counselors. I pray you would give me the courage to pray for others when they might feel afraid. Thank you for being the one I can go to knowing you have everything under control.

DAY TWO

Pray every camper would know who God says they are.

Ephesians 2:10

Genesis 16:13

PRAYER

God, I pray I would always know who you say that I am. Sometimes, I forget you think I am really special. I ask that you would help me remind other campers that you think they are special too. I know I do not always get things right, but you say I am forgiven when I ask. I have plans and goals for my life, but you say you have a plan for my life that is really good. Sometimes I think I am not who I should be, but you say you made me unique. Today I choose to remember who you say I am!



DAY THREE

Pray every camper would listen to what God is sharing with them.

Psalm 37:7

John 10:27

PRAYER

God, thank you for listening to me when I share my words, feelings, and thoughts with you. I like to talk to you, and it's easy for me to talk so much that I forget to listen to what you want to share with me. Please share with me right now. (Now take a few minutes in silence and listen to what God shares with you. When you feel like he has shared with you–write it down or share it with someone else) Thank you for sharing with me God. I like when you do. Please share with other campers too.



DAY FOUR

Pray every camper would lead others to Jesus.

Acts 5:42

2 Timothy 4:2

PRAYER

God, I love you. Thank you for saving me and giving me new life. Today I pray you would help me show your love to others. Sometimes I am not sure how to explain you to people, but there are times that I think I want to. Help me be bold. I want to share your love, forgiveness, and grace with others. I pray we would each do our part to lead people to you. Give me the words to share, the ways to share, and the desire to share what you've done for me with all of those that do not know.

DAY FIVE

Pray every camper would see others the way God sees them.

Psalm 139:14

Genesis 1:31

PRAYER

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God, thank you for always looking at me with grace. I am not perfect, but you see me and call me good. Sometimes, it is hard for me to see people the same way you see me. I do not always look at others with grace. I do not always want to give others the space to be imperfect. It is easier to be mad at them or think less of them, but I want to try. I pray each time I talk to, sit with, or see another camper I would look with your eyes, hear with your ears, and love them with your heart. Help us all to do our part to be more like you in this way.

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