MAHAFFEY CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

Newsletter | April 2020



From the Director

Here at Mahaffey Camp, we have experienced a mild winter. Now that spring has arrived, we await the warmer temperatures to accomplish outside grounds work.

As I write this newsletter, there is unprecedented trepidation throughout our nation regarding the COVID-19 virus. At the time of this writing, the office is currently closed; however, we are monitoring calls and emails as promptly as possible. Scheduled spring retreats have been cancelled or postponed. The weeks beyond still hold a cloud of uncertainty. Presently, contingency plans are being developed for mid May and thereafter, knowing that adjustments may continue to unfold.

As your Camp Director, there is great concern upon my heart, as I am sure there is on yours. With the current state of conditions, will we have Youth Camps or Family Camp this summer? I would call upon you to uphold the ministries of the camp in prayer. Much wisdom and discernment is needed in these days.

The Lord knows each care and challenge we face. I am confident that He is able to meet the need that the camp is facing. Please pray along with me, that lost income from retreats would be replenished. Currently, it is necessary to halt many spring project purchases needed to progress forward to be ready for summer ministries.

Ultimately, it is our desire to hold camp this summer and to be ready for your arrival. I am thankful for the monies that come in each month to assist with camp support through Mahaffey Friends. Now more than ever, these funds are needed. Please pray that the Lord will continue to provide for the camp's finances as we journey through this season of uncertainty.

You can stay in touch with up to date prayer requests, ministry events, and Mahaffey Camp news in the following ways:

- by signing up for our e-news list (opt-in on our website homepage, under "Updates from Mahaffey Camp)
- by visiting our website, www.mahaffeycamp.com
- by following us on Facebook and Instagram

Due to the current economics, we are producing this newsletter without mailing it. If you are aware of someone who is not connected to camp through the above social media, please share this newsletter with them. Our Family Camp brochure will also be produced digitally, and will be released through our website, Facebook, and email in the coming week.

I am fervently praying that the ministries highlighted in these pages will move forward as planned. Please note - some dates have been adjusted from their previously announced schedule. We will keep you up to date via social media of any changes as we are aware of them.

Edward L. Depp

Upcoming Events:

PAPERCRAFTING RETREAT: May 15 & 16

QUILT RETREATS:

Rescheduled to May 13-16 & May 18-21

LADIES' SPRING TEA

Rescheduled to Saturday, May 30

CAMP WORK DAYS: Date TBA

COUNSELOR TRAINING: June 5 - 7

FAMILY CAMP: July 17 - 26

MEN'S LINK RETREAT: September 11 & 12

WRITER'S RETREAT

Rescheduled to September 18 & 19

PRAYER RETREAT: September 20 - 22

APPLEFEST: October 9 & 10

CA Summer to Remember!

At Mahaffey Youth Camps, kids and teens experience the joy of friendship, the wonder of nature, and the excitement of discovering God, all in a compassionate and encouraging environment.



Bible Camps
Soccer Camp
Basketball Camp
Adventure Camp
Horse Camp
STEM Camp
Creative Arts Camp

Online registration and brochure available at mahaffeycamp.com



Ephesians 3:20 is a special verse for us at Mahaffey Camp. Over the years, as we have faced difficult or uncertain times, this verse has reminded us that we serve a God BIGGER than any trial we may face -

a God able to do things GREATER than we can even imagine.

As we venture forward in this unsettling time, may we as the body of Christ always remember God's unwavering faithfulness. May we be bold in prayer, devoted in service, and hopeful amidst our anxiousness.

HELP WANTED FOR **SUMMER MINISTRIES**

Come make an eternal difference as a summer volunteer!

For more information on becoming a volunteer, call our camp office at (814) 277-5544 or email us at office@mahaffeycamp.com.

Our summer volunteers are absolutely essential to our ministry. By giving their time in service, they help us facilitate the many programs that we offer throughout the summer months, which in turn provides a renewing spiritual experience for our attendees. Join the team by signing up to volunteer!

Volunteers are needed at Youth Camps for:

Kitchen / Dining Hall | Dishroom | Snack Shop | Recreation | Crafts | Memory Verse

Volunteers are needed at Family Camp* for:

Children's Ministries | Dining Hall | Dishroom | Camp Store / Milkshakes | Cleaning | Security *Family Camp positions give highest preference to those who are available to serve for all ten days.

Ladies' Spring Tea



DATE RESCHEDULED TO

Saturday, May 30th

A refreshing time of fellowship for ladies of all ages!

Register online at mahaffeycamp.com or by phone: (814) 277-5544

Seating is limited, so register early!



Does your will reflect His will?

As God's children, we're His stewards. Everything we have belongs to Him: family, cars, homes, money—it's all His, During your lifetime, you have prayerfully sought Him for various concerns calling, career, marriage, and more. But, have you sought His will for your will? When your life ends, your estate will likely include the largest gifts you've ever made. It's an opportunity to be generous with loved ones and with ministries you care about. It's good stewardship to seek His will for your will.

Orchard Alliance offers will and trust planning services. This confidential service is our gift to you at no cost or obligation. Top Christian professionals will help you design your will using a biblical worldview. With just a few simple phone calls, an Orchard Alliance gift and estate design consultant can fully prepare you to have your will or trust drafted by an attorney.

Start the conversation. It will be our honor to help you design a biblically-based will. Contact $Clem\ Hoober\ at\ 717.917.5309\ or\ by\ email\ at\ hooberc@orchardalliance.org\ to\ get\ started\ today.\ He$ can also help you include Mahaffey Camp and Conference center in your will/estate plan.



"The More Excellent Way." The Bridge

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Mahaffey Family Camp

Cool Breeze Seminar July 20-24, 2020

Taught by Rev. Richard Jenks

In the afternoon classes taught by Rev Jenks, we will be studying the Gifts of the Spirit found in 1 Cor. 12 and their uses described in 1 Corinthians 14, bridged by the "More Excellent Way" in 1 Corinthians 13. Come join us as we study the Gifts of the Spirit operated in the Fruit of the Spirit.

Official Workers will earn 1 CEU for each day of class.

Smagine...A Nature Discovery Center at Mahaffey Camp!

At Mahaffey Camp, we are developing a unique nature discovery area on our grounds that is centered on exploring the beauty of God's Creation!

Items Needed for the Nature Discovery Center:

- New or gently used sandbox play items (i.e. shovels, buckets, strainers, play tools, plastic construction trucks, etc.)
- Log "slices" and small cuts of wood.
- Steel sink, wooden table, wooden chairs
- Metal pots/pans, serving spoons, and other cooking utensils
- Metal/plastic trash can lids, cuts of PVC pipe, metal washboards, metal window screens
- Drumsticks / mallets, chimes, large metal

If you have any of these items and would like to donate them for use in the Camp's Nature Discovery Center, just bring them to the camp office (please call ahead). We highly appreciate your donations!

