

FEATURES *of the retreat*

Sessions

General sessions with our main speaker, who will present on important topics of interest.

Workshops

Hands-on practice with specific techniques in an encouraging, small group setting.

Individual Writing

Time to work on your own - to get away from the hassle of life and just focus on your writing.

Focus Groups

Casual time to connect with others interested in the same writing genres as you: to share your writing with others and enjoy a community of helpful feedback.

Open Mic Night

A favorite tradition! Bring a short piece to read if desired. A time to share and listen to one another's works in a positive atmosphere.

Headshots

Update your portfolio! We'll be offering quality headshots at no extra charge.

Accommodations

Accommodations are provided in our Dorm 5 housing facility. Each room is heated and there are restrooms located on each floor. Each room includes two sets of single-size bunk beds. Options are available for double-occupancy or single-occupancy.

A commuter rate is available for anyone who prefers to commute daily or stay in their own cottage or RV (\$46/night hookup fee applies for all RVs).

Register by September 5 for a \$15 discount!

MAIN SPEAKER

Rev. Marvin Nelson

Marv Nelson is a husband, father, pastor, writer and teacher. He and his wife Hilary have three wonderful children and he is the lead pastor at Indiana Alliance Church in Indiana, PA. He has authored *What Good is Jesus?*, *Unleash: Empowering the Next Generation of Leaders*, and *Pinocchio Vs. The Real Boy*. Marv has co-authored *Millennials and Mentoring* and *The Anchored Life*. He also modernized A.B. Simpson's *The Land of Promise* and wrote the study guide to go with it.



WRITERS' RETREAT

*Thursday - Saturday
September 19 - 21, 2024*



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TIME TO FOCUS & GROW

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” - 1 Peter 4:10

At Mahaffey Camp’s Writers’ Retreat, writers of all experience levels and genres will have opportunity to grow - to develop and strengthen the writing talent they’ve been blessed with. Join us in the tranquil setting of Mahaffey Camp for a time to hone your writing skills, be inspired by other writers, practice a variety of techniques, work individually without interruption, and hear practical instruction from our guest authors.

Open to writers ages 18 and older.

Mahaffey Camp is a Christian campground. Retreat attendees do not have to be of the Christian writing genre, but all writings shared at the retreat must not be contradictory to our camp’s Christian Statement of Faith.

Once we receive your registration, we’ll email you a writing questionnaire, which will help us understand your writing level and genre interests so that we can better personalize your retreat experience.

WHAT TO BRING:

- Comfortable clothing and jacket
- For those staying in the dorm: bedding for a single bed, pillow, towel, and toiletries.
- Bible
- Notebook / Writing Utensil
- Your preferred tools for working on your individual writing projects (journal, laptop, etc.)
- Copies of any works you’d like to share during open mic time and focus group time.

Note: please do not plan to rely on an online program (like Google Docs) for writing, as the wifi on our campground can only support a small internet connection.

SCHEDULE

Subject is schedule to change.

Thursday, September 19th

6:00 - 6:30 PM Check in
6:45 PM Welcome and Introduction
7:00 PM Session 1
8:00 PM Connection Time & Snack

Friday, September 20th

8:00 AM Coffee & Devotions
8:30 AM Breakfast
9:15 AM Session 2
10:15 AM Workshop 1
11:15 AM Focus Groups
12:00 PM Lunch
1:00 PM Individual Writing Time
2:00 – 2:30 PM Headshots Offered
3:00 PM Workshop 2
4:00 PM Workshop 3
4:00 – 4:30 PM Check in for Partial Retreat
5:00 PM Dinner
6:00 PM Workshop 4
7:00 PM Session 3
8:00 PM Open Mic Night & Appetizers

Saturday, September 21st

8:00 AM Coffee & Devotions
8:30 AM Breakfast
9:15 AM Workshop 5
10:15 AM Focus Groups
11:00 AM Individual Writing Time
12:00 PM Lunch
1:00 PM Individual Writing Time
2:00 PM Workshop 6
3:00 PM Q&A Panel
3:30 PM Session 4
4:30 PM Final Words & Dismissal

**Online registration available at
mahaffeycamp.com/writers-retreat/
Workshop and Session Titles / Presenters will also be
posted on this website as they become available.**

REGISTRATION

Mahaffey Camp Writer’s Retreat
Please complete one per attendee and write clearly in ink.
Copies may be made for additional registrations.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Select a Payment Option:

FULL RETREAT - 3 Days (Check in after 6:00 pm on Thursday)

_____ **\$215 / person** including meals, snacks, and
Dorm 5 accommodations - double occupancy.

_____ **\$260 / person** including meals, snacks, and
Dorm 5 accommodations - single occupancy.

_____ **\$175 / person** including meals and snacks - NO accommodations
(staying in own cottage or commuting).

PARTIAL RETREAT - 2 Days (Check in after 4:00 pm on Friday)

_____ **\$130 / person** including meals, snacks, and
Dorm 5 accommodations - double occupancy.

_____ **\$155 / person** including meals, snacks, and
Dorm 5 accommodations - single occupancy.

_____ **\$115 / person** including meals and snacks - NO accommodations
(staying in own cottage or commuting).

*If registering on or before September 5 (early discount deadline),
deduct \$15 from above rate:*

_____ - **\$15 Early Discount** if applicable

\$_____ Total Registration Amount Enclosed

Roommate Request (if applicable):

Send Payment and Registration Form to:

**Mahaffey Camp
PO Box 277, Mahaffey PA 15757**

Please make checks payable to Mahaffey Camp.

*Sorry, no refunds will be issued once funds have been received.
In the case of a cancellation, you may transfer your registration
to a friend.*