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WELCOME

Hey Campers!!!!

Welcome to the Village. We anticipate an incredible week together. Our team knows just how much goes into a week at camp. Some of you will find secret hideouts. Others will make some lifelong friends. Each of you will experience awesome challenges from our confidence course and **GIANT** swing. As a camper you will learn about God and the relationship that God is seeking with you.

This manual is your guide for this week. Inside you will find some practical information, your daily journal, and some fun activities.

Here are some tips for how to have a great week:

- **Get Involved** – There are so many fun things to try at camp. It's only one week—try it all, from the Blob to Archery to Polar Bearing to Achievements!
- **Have a Good Attitude**
- **Try New Things and Meet New People**
- **Pay Attention** – Your counselor and your Trail Guide have so much to share with you. Remember to listen to all that they have to say.
- **Have FUN!**

We are excited to have the opportunity to serve you this summer. Get ready to be amazed by God during your week at the Village!

Sandpiper
and the 2011 Village Staff



Table Talks

Each morning, your Trail Guide will lead your grove in an exciting walk through the Bible. Be sure to bring your Bible and this manual with you each morning. Get ready to work on memorizing Bible verses, reading your Bible and asking questions.

Trail Talks

After table talks, you and your grove will be on your way to your morning grove activity. You will learn more about the day's theme and verse. This is a great time to get to know your Trail Guide and the other campers in your grove. It's a great time to ask questions of your counselors and Trail Guide.

Ranger Of The Day

Every day we select 2 "Rangers of the Day." These are campers that have shown outstanding teamwork and participation during the day. The Ranger of the Day has special roles during Camp Fire. Ask your Trail Guide for more info.

Camp Fire

Each evening the entire village will gather in the Camp Fire Circle for singing, skits and a message. We line up outside Camp Fire silently with the sign of respect. Along with the Rangers, the Rangers of the Day will select groves to enter Camp Fire in silence. Camp Fire is time to share about our day, to worship our Lord and learn about our Bible story of the day.

Connections

At the end of each evening you will meet with your counselor in your tipi to have Connections. This is a time to share with each other some of the things you learned at Camp Fire and other times during the day. It will be a great time to think about Jesus Christ and ask questions with your tipi.

VILLAGE TRADITIONS

The Traditions listed here are ways that everyone at the Village stays healthy and happy. You are responsible for knowing and following these traditions.

Tradition 1: Show Respect. This means that you will be treated with respect as well as will show respect to others. This means respecting your counselor, Trail Guide, tipi mates, the Village grounds, God's creation, and all those around you. You are expected to follow directions.

Tradition 2: No Running. Please walk in the Village unless given permission by your Trail Guide.

Tradition 3: Leave Rocks on the Ground! Rocks are not to be thrown through the air at any time. With the exception of balls and frisbees, no other objects at the Village are to be thrown.

Tradition 4: Raiding is never permitted. Raiding is destructive to others' property. No one is allowed in anyone else's tipi at any time.

SOME OTHER GOOD GUIDELINES TO FOLLOW TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A FANTASTIC AND SAFE WEEK AT INDIAN VILLAGE:

1. Always tell your counselor where you will be, especially if you are not with them.
2. Never leave the Village unless you are with a counselor or Trail Guide.
3. Always wear closed-toed shoes.
4. **GET INVOLVED!** It's the best way to have fun!!!!

HEALTH

Here are a few tips to keep you happy and healthy during your week at Indian Village.

1. **Water:** Drink lots and lots of water.
2. **Sunscreen:** Wear sunscreen everyday. Be sure to reapply throughout the day, especially after swimming & during kickback.
3. **WASH YOUR HANDS:** Always wash your hands before you eat.
4. **Shower:** You are expected to take 3 showers while at the Village.
5. **Change your clothes every day:** It's important to change out of your swimsuit after swimming so you don't get a rash. Change socks and underwear daily too!
6. **Lip Balm:** It gets pretty dry at the Village. Be sure to use lip balm. If you need to, you can visit our camp medic for some "moose goop."
7. **If you don't feel well,** talk to your counselor and then talk to our camp medic.
8. **DRINK MORE WATER!!!**
9. **Remember to take your medicine!**

SAFETY

You have a right to feel safe in camp at all times.

If you ever have a time where you don't feel safe, let someone know right away.

Here are some people you can talk to:

- Your counselor
- Your Trail Guide
- The Medic: *Patches*
- The Rangers: *Raindrop and Little Grizz*
- Sandpiper

**We are
all here
to help you!**

THE VERSES FOR THIS WEEK

Trek 2011 is the story of group of friends who make a promise to go on an adventure together. Join us, as together, we watch this adventure unfold before our very eyes each night at Camp Fire.

These are our theme verses for the week. Try to memorize as many as you can!

Sunday: COVENANTS

O Lord, God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps His covenant of unfailing love with those who love Him and obey His commands...

Nehemiah 1:8

Monday: WHAT IS A COVENANT?

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

Deuteronomy 6:5–6

Tuesday: GOD'S COVENANT WITH HIS PEOPLE

Don't misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to accomplish their purpose.

Matthew 5:17

Wednesday: COVENANTS WITH ONE ANOTHER

Dear friends, I am not writing a new commandment for you; rather it is an old one you have had from the very beginning. This old commandment—to love one another—is the same message you heard before...

1 John 2:7

Thursday: LIVING OUT GOD'S COVENANT

Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

Colossians 3:12

ACHIEVEMENT EXPLANATION

At The Village, we have a long tradition of earning “achievements.” Earning “Achievement” is an acknowledgement of a special accomplishment while you are here at camp. If it’s your first year here, you can earn 1st year achievement. If you are returning and have already completed 1st year, you have the opportunity to earn 2nd year Achievement and go on Vigil.

REQUIREMENTS:

1st year Achievement – In order to complete first year achievement, a camper must learn all the verses listed below plus **9** total projects:

1 from each category, plus **4** other projects

2nd year Achievement – In order to complete second year achievement, a camper must learn all the verses listed below plus **13** total projects:

2 from each category, **3** other projects, and **the Vigil.**

• *Your counselor can initial your completed projects.*

Daily Bible Memory Verses

___ Week’s Verse

Nehemiah 1:8

___ Monday

Deuteronomy 6:5–6

___ Tuesday

Matthew 5:17

___ Wednesday

1 John 2:7

___ Thursday

Colossians 3:12

ACHIEVEMENT PROJECTS

I. NATURE

- _____ 1. Identify three types of rocks from the creek.
- _____ 2. Identify three types of trees seen around the Village.
- _____ 3. Identify three types of birds you have seen.
- _____ 4. Identify three types of ecosystems found in this canyon.
- _____ 5. Mark a trail for others to follow.
- _____ 6. List four animals you have seen at camp.
- _____ 7. Describe western poison oak.

II. VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT

- _____ 1. Clean up two other camper's plates.
- _____ 2. Clean up the eating tables (*2 tables at one meal*).
- _____ 3. Take the trash cans to their place.
- _____ 4. Clear rocks off a path, trail, or area for 10 minutes.
- _____ 5. Clear / rake leaves, sticks, and pine needles away from you tipi.
- _____ 6. Pick up trash for 10 minutes (*or 25 pieces*).
- _____ 7. Gather two armloads of sticks for the Village Stew.
- _____ 8. Gather pine needles for the cookout for 10 minutes.
- _____ 9. Sweep out your tipi, picking up and throwing out the trash.
- _____ 10. Help roll up your tipi—and unroll it when it is time.
- _____ 11. Help sweep the Medic's Tipi.

III. CREATIVE (use space on any blank page to draw or write)

- _____ 1. Draw a picture of your tipi or an animal you have seen.
- _____ 2. Write and perform a play based on a Bible story for your tipi.

ACHIEVEMENT PROJECTS



- _____ 3. Write a poem or story about something in nature.
- _____ 4. Write a poem or story about your week at camp.
- _____ 5. Write a story about conserving or protecting nature.
- _____ 6. Name a plant or animal and write a legend on how it got that name.

IV. ADVENTURE *(done with a Counselor or Trail Guide)*

- _____ 1. Land and stay on the blob.
- _____ 2. Polar Bear in the creek.
- _____ 3. Go down the slide at the lake.
- _____ 4. Hike to the Lost Mine.
- _____ 5. Catch a fish at the trout pond.
- _____ 6. Go on the confidence course *(only if a Village staff is there)*.
- _____ 7. Go on the Giant Swing.

V. SERVICE / LEADERSHIP

- _____ 1. Help someone memorize two memory verses.
- _____ 2. Assist the Trading Post Manager with sales.
- _____ 3. Help another camper with an achievement project.
- _____ 4. Organize a fun, safe group game during free time.
- _____ 5. Help sweep the Trading Post.
- _____ 6. Clean and organize your grove *(ask your Trail Guide what needs to be done)*.
- _____ 7. Help the lifeguard clean the pool area.
- _____ 8. Recite one of the memory verses in front of your whole tribe.

MONDAY TABLE TALK - WHAT IS A COVENANT?

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

Deuteronomy 6:5–6

1. Read: Abraham and Moses' Covenant stories.

a) *Genesis 17:15–17*

b) *Exodus 34:10*

c) *Exodus 34:27–38*

2. What is a covenant?

3. What was the covenant between Abraham and God?



4. God gave Moses something to help with this covenant. What was it?

5. What does God want from his people?

*²I am the **LORD** your God, who rescued you from the land of Egypt, the place of your slavery. ³You must not have any other god but me. ⁴You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the earth or in the sea. ⁵You must not bow down to them or worship them, for I, the **LORD** your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected—even children in the third and fourth generations of those who reject me. ⁶But I lavish unending love for a thousand generations on those who love me and obey my commands. ⁷You must not misuse the name of the **LORD** your God. The **LORD** will not let you go unpunished if you misuse his name.*

Exodus 20:2–7

MONDAY JOURNAL PAGES



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TUESDAY TABLE TALK - OUR COVENANT WITH GOD

Don't misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to accomplish their purpose.

Matthew 5:17

1. What was Jesus' message about God's covenant?
2. What is the "new" covenant? **Read: Jeremiah 31:31-34**
3. Who has brought the new covenant? **Read: Matthew 26:26-29**

4. Who is invited to be a part of God's covenant?

³⁶ "Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?" ³⁷ Jesus replied, "You must love the **LORD** your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind." ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.

³⁹ A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments."

Matthew 22:36–40

TUESDAY JOURNAL PAGES

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WEDNESDAY TABLE TALK - OUR COVENANTS WITH EACH OTHER

⁷ Dear friends, I am not writing a new commandment for you; rather it is an old one you have had from the very beginning. This old commandment—to love one another—is the same message you heard before. ⁸ Yet it is also new. Jesus lived the truth of this commandment, and you also are living it. For the darkness is disappearing, and the true light is already shining.

1 John 2:7–8

1. Read: Luke 6:27–36

2. How does God want us to treat other people?

3. How are Christians supposed to be different than everyone else (*people who just love those who love them*)?

4. Why is that sometimes hard?

5. What are ways that we can show our love to others?

¹² Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the **LORD** your God is giving you.

¹³ You must not murder. ¹⁴ You must not commit adultery. ¹⁵ You must not steal. ¹⁶ You must not testify falsely against your neighbor. ¹⁷ You must not covet your neighbor's house.

Exodus 20:12–17

WEDNESDAY JOURNAL PAGES

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WEDNESDAY JOURNAL PAGES



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THURSDAY TABLE TALK - A COVENANT WITH MYSELF

Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

Colossians 3:12

1. Describe some times when you're tempted to do something wrong.
2. How do we show God our love for Him? How do we keep up our end of the covenant?

3. Write out a covenant between you and God about a behavior you want to work on once you're home.

¹³ "Tell the people of Israel: 'Be careful to keep my Sabbath day, for the Sabbath is a sign of the covenant between me and you from generation to generation. It is given so you may know that I am the **LORD**, who makes you holy.

¹⁴ You must keep the Sabbath day, for it is a holy day for you. Anyone who desecrates it must be put to death; anyone who works on that day will be cut off from the community...

¹⁶ The people of Israel must keep the Sabbath day by observing it from generation to generation. This is a covenant obligation for all time. ¹⁷ It is a permanent sign of my covenant with the people of Israel. For in six days the **LORD** made heaven and earth, but on the seventh day He stopped working and was refreshed."

¹⁸ When the **LORD** finished speaking with Moses on Mount Sinai, He gave him the two stone tablets inscribed with the terms of the covenant, written by the finger of God.

Exodus 31:13–14, 16–18

THURSDAY JOURNAL PAGES

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THURSDAY JOURNAL PAGES

BEST HOME

FRIENDS' CONTACT INFORMATION

FILL IN THE NAMES & ADDRESSES OF YOUR TIPI MATES!

Counselor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Name: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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ONCE YOU'RE HOME

- Check out our website:

www.foresthomes.org and Sandpiper's Blog

- Write your counselors a thank you note. Maybe send them a copy of a picture from our website or a photo that you took at camp.
- Write your Trail Guide or other Village staff a letter. All of the staff at Forest Home love to get mail—real mail! Here's our address in case you would like to write:

Staff's Name

Summer Staff - The Village

40,000 Valley of the Falls Dr.

Forest Falls, CA 92339

- Send an email to your Trail Guide or someone else from camp who made your week special.
- Write a thank you note to your parents or whoever made it possible for you to come to camp.
- Share about what you learned at camp when you are at church.
- Have a tipi reunion over when summer is over. Have everyone bring pictures and share stories from camp.
- Start saving for next year's summer camp as soon as you get home!
- Come back and join us again for Junior Winter Camp or bring one of your parents with you and join us for a parent child conference. You can get more information from our website.