



Camp Penue East

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Greetings from Camp Penue East,

We are very close to reaching our goal for kids this season we have 400 kids booked so far for the 2008 camping season our goal is 500 kids. We still have 100 spaces available so we are hoping to fill those before the season begins. We are looking forward to the excitement of having a camp full of kids this summer. I don't know who's more excited the kids that are coming this season or me. We are grateful to everyone that is faithful to support Camp Penue East and we can't wait to share testimonies of kid's lives that are changed here this summer.

We are currently working on hiring our staff for the summer and we still need to fill several positions. We will be needing lifeguards, and 1 or 2 nurses depending on how long they can work every day. They will need to have current certifications to work here. We are also in need of some general staff members at least 17 years of age. We trust that the right people will be in place to make this a fun and safe season for all of the kids we are bringing in.

We have decided to change the work days to be later in the season due to weather and lack of resources so far. They will now be on the following Saturdays April 19 & 26, and May 3 & 10. We can use anyone who is willing to work. **Please call** if you plan on coming to one or all of these days, and when you come please bring your tools. We will be repairing some of the cabins including: replacing some damaged drywall, taping and mudding, painting, we will be replacing some plumbing that is damaged. We will be doing some maintenance on the grounds including: clean up of some of the storage areas, building a small bridge on the nature trail, picking up any fallen limbs, repairing the entrance road and driveway. We will be rebuilding the area where we have the carnival the last night that the kids are here each week. We will be expanding the playground equipment. All of these repairs are dependent on getting the materials, labor, and money donated. We just cannot accomplish any of these things without the help of our supporters. We thank you in advance because we know that hearts are open to see this place be a successful tool to reach out to the lost.

I first want to say we appreciate everything that is given to Camp Penue East whatever the size of the contribution. As a non profit organization I can honestly say that we have the very best supporters that anyone could ask for. For 35 years Camp Penue has remained a completely free camp for at risk inner city kids and Camp Penue East has been doing the same for 14 years. It would not have been possible to accomplish such a huge undertaking without all of the support that so many people have sent our way. Over 59,000 kids have been given a chance to enjoy a free camping experience. We have had the privilege of sharing the Gospel with each and every one of them. We would like to take a moment to talk with our supporters about considering monthly support. We are in need of steady monthly support. It cost a lot to run a free camp and we are grateful that so many people have chosen to share in this mission. Please consider giving monthly support if you don't already do so, \$5, \$10, or more a month will make a huge difference. Right now our monthly expenses are exceeding our monthly support base. We have faith that the supporters for Camp Penue East will come through and that God will supply our needs.

On a personal note we are enjoying everything about this new way of life. Everyone that has contacted us and everyone that we have met have been great. We are giving our very best to this ministry and even though we left our families behind when we came here everyone has made us feel like we are right at home. It definitely makes it easier when Godly people surround you with love and support. Thank you to everyone that has invested in this place you are involved in a worthy mission to make a difference in so many kids' lives, and we are honored to be a part of what God is doing here. Thank You and God Bless.

Jeremy Walter
Director