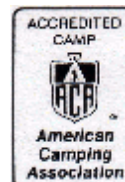


# Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp



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*"And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature,  
and in favor with God and man" (Lk. 2:52).*

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## YOUTH CAMP SCHEDULE FOR 2007

DATE	AGE LEVEL	MANAGER
June 10 - 16	14 - 18 Year Olds	Jay Wilkins
June 17 - 23	7 - 18 Year Olds	William Phillis
June 24 - 30	7 - 18 Year Olds	Greg Tidwell
July 1 - 7	7 - 10 Year Olds	Mike Gross
July 8 - 14	7 - 18 Year Olds	Bob Manasco
July 15 - 21	10 - 18 Year Olds	Wayne McCray
July 22 - 28	7 - 18 Year Olds	Bill Hopkins

## RETREAT SCHEDULE FOR 2007

May 4 - 6	Spring Teen Retreat
May 18-20	Mens Retreat
May 25 - 28	Family Retreat
June 8,9	Ladies Retreat
September 7 - 9	Fall Teen Retreat
September 11 - 13	Senior Citizens Retreat

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS FOR 2007

February 3	May 5	September 21,22
March 10	June 16	November 3
April 7	August 4	December 1

## KROGER AND MEIJER CARDS

Fort Hill Christian supporters can contribute to For Hill Christian Youth Camp in a painless way. Purchases from Kroger and Meijer stores can be credited to Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp for a percentage of purchase contributions.

Contact Brett Triplett at 1-740-477-7263 for information on signing up for these two programs.

## ESTATE PLANNING

Those who wish to consider remembering Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp in their wills may want to consult with Wayne McCray, 1636 Elkton Place, Cincinnati, OH 45224.

You may telephone (513) 681-4818 or e-mail: [waynuele@yahoo.com](mailto:waynuele@yahoo.com)

## BUNK BEDS

The trustees have been replacing the bunk beds on a one cabin per year basis.

In November, thirty-eight high quality bunk beds (28 wooden and 10 metal) were purchased from a private camp that went out of business. These are very attractive and durable bunk beds and are nearly new.

The purchase price of \$50 each is about one-third the cost of the lumber required to build bunk beds of comparable size and quality.

## TREE HARVESTING

The wooded areas owned by the Camp have mature trees that are ripe for harvesting. The trustees have contracted with a reputable firm to sell only trees that exceed 18 inches in diameter. The beauty of the campgrounds will not diminish as a result of this action.

The proceeds from the sale of the trees will be used in capital improvement projects.

## IN MEMORY OF CARL MATHENY

A tree was planted and a stone set on the camp site in September 2006 in memory of Carl Matheny. Carl served as a member of the board of trustees for several years.

FOR INFORMATION AND PHOTOS ABOUT FORT HILL CAMP: [www.forthillcamp.org](http://www.forthillcamp.org)

## PROJECT 2010

Near the turn of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, the trustees set forth a camp improvement program entitled Project 2010. Project 2010 sets forth a vision in various categories: Basic Infrastructure; Facilities, Marketing, Advertising and Recruiting; Upgrading Camper Experiences; and Upgrading Policy and Management Process.

This improvement plan was recently revised as shown below:

### 2002

- Replace All Mattresses ✓
- Sewage System ✓
- Renovation of Boys Bathhouse ✓
- Construct a Girls Cabin ✓
- Renovate One Cabin ✓
- Construct a Pool Building ✓
- Renovation of Clifton Picnic Shelter ✓
- Siding of the Dining Hall ✓

### 2003

- Begin a Facilities Endowment fund ✓
- Renovation of Girls Bathhouse ✓
- Parking Lot ✓
- Construct a Boys Cabin
- Renovate One Cabin ✓
- Upgrade Playground Area ✓
- Public Restroom Facility

### 2004

- Addition to Duer Hall to Provide More Adult Sleeping Rooms ✓
- Renovate One Cabin ✓
- Install Rv Hookups ✓

### 2005

- Multi-purpose Building (Planning) ✓
- Reconstruct Beds in One Cabin ✓

### 2006

- Multi-purpose Building (Planning) ✓
- Construct Concrete Pads in Two Picnic Shelters ✓
- Upgrade Lighting in Dining Hall ✓
- Remodel Duer Hall ✓
- Bunk Beds for Four Cabins ✓

### 2007

- Harvest Mature Trees
- Purchase Additional Property ✓
- Develop and Design a Facilities Master Plan
- Rebuild Amphitheater Seating
- Design Multi-purpose Building
- Renovate Cabins
- Begin Construction of Public Restrooms

### 2008

- Build Bunk Beds for One Cabin
- Purchase Additional Adjacent Property
- Develop Outdoor Education Area– Phase I
- Build Public Restroom Facility
- Baseball Field

### 2009

- Build Bunk Beds for One Cabin
- Construct Multipurpose Building
- Develop Outdoor Education Area – Phase II
- Construct Fort Hill Museum
- Expand Endowment Fund to \$1 Million
- Purchase Additional Adjacent Property

### 2010

- Build Bunk Beds for One Cabin
- Complete Interior Multipurpose Building
- Develop Outdoor Education Area – Phase III
- Construct A boys Cabin

The Board of Trustees is committed to the accomplishment of Project 2010. In order to make the plan a reality by 2010, the assistance, support and cooperation of thousands of Christians is required.

Please review the Project 2010 plan and pick out a project which you will assist or assume responsibility. Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp is a great work and deserves support.

## TRUSTEES PURCHASE 9 ACRES

An ongoing strategy of the Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp Board of Trustees is to purchase adjacent property as it becomes for sale. The reason for doing so is to provide a buffer zone between the camp and the general population. Also, additional land provides the potential of expanding the camp program.

Nine acres adjoining the camp property across Fort Hill Road from the main camp site became available in November at a price of \$10,000. The total cost was covered by a generous couple who wish to remain anonymous.

Land in the Fort Hill area is being subdivided for housing, particularly for weekend retreats. A development company recently purchased 300 acres nearby that will be subdivided.

There are three adjacent properties that the trustees will consider purchasing if and when such become available, a means of protecting the camp from the encroachment of residential development.

## SCHOLARSHIP

(Free or Reduced Price Week of Camp)

No child has ever been turned away for a week of camp due to lack of ability to pay the camp fee. Over the years, many generous persons have provided "scholarship" assistance. For example, a fine Christian lady recently contributed \$3,000 to the camp scholarship fund.

Those who wish to contribute, may send a donation to Jay Wilkins, Treasurer, 4030 Pennyroyal Rd., Chillicothe, OH 45601.

## PLAN A WORK DAY AT CAMP

Men and women (young or not so young) may wish to form a crew to perform some work projects at camp. Those who wish to do this should contact: Robert Manasco at 937-588-2026 or e-mail: [Manasco@dragonbbs.com](mailto:Manasco@dragonbbs.com)

## REASONS FOR ATTENDING FORT HILL CHRISTIAN CAMP

Those who have never had the privilege of attending Fort Hill Christian Youth camp cannot truly appreciate the blessings and opportunities afforded campers. There are many reasons for attending Fort Hill Camp (or sending your child); space limitations will not allow us to notice all of them. But we can notice a few of them briefly.

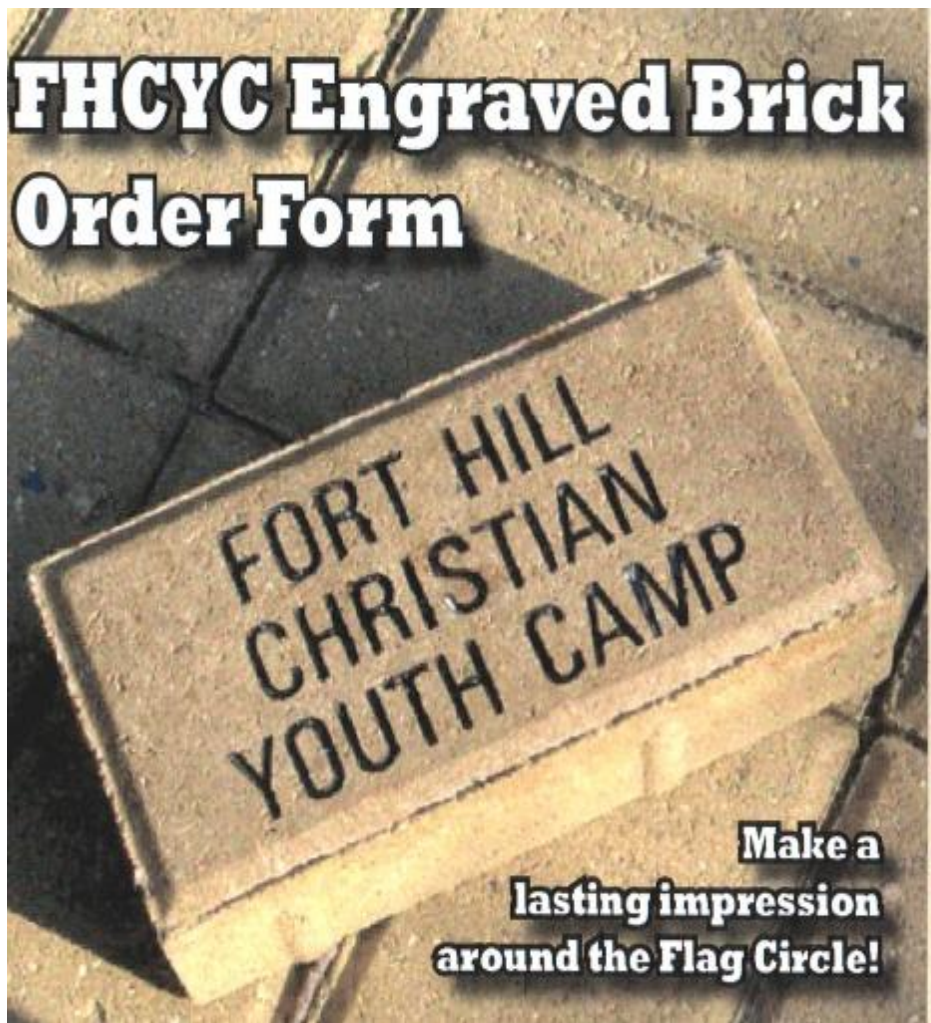
**Sound Bible Teaching.** Campers are involved in classes, devotions, singing, etc., from breakfast till bedtime. On any given day, campers engage in some three hours of Bible teaching and devotionals. All Bible classes are taught by sound, faithful, members of the Lord's church (many classes are taught by elders and preachers). Each year, a score or more obey the gospel at camp.

**Making New Friends.** Friendships are forged at camp that will last a lifetime. What better place to make Christian friends than at Fort Hill Camp. Many campers arrive on Sunday not knowing a soul. By the end of the week, they are tearfully saying good-bye to a host of new friends.

**Learning Responsibility and Teamwork.** Campers are expected to help keep the campgrounds clean as well as their cabins (this involves making their bunks, putting their clothes away, sweeping the cabin, etc.). They also take turns cleaning the bathhouse. On Saturday campers are expected to clean the campgrounds and buildings for the next week of campers coming in. This requires teamwork and co-operation

**Exercise, Fresh Air and the Beauties of God's Creation.** Campers start each day with a brief period of calisthenics. During the day, they engage in team sports, swimming, hiking, and other physical activities. The week usually includes a hike up Fort Hill (a favorite for many campers). You would be hard pressed to find a more beautiful place to spend the week than in the hills of southern Ohio. Truly, *"the heavens declare the glory of God"* (Psa. 19: 1). At the evening fire circle, campers witness beautiful sunsets before returning to their cabins. After dark, the stars shine like candles (a rare sight for those coming from large cities). Camp offers so many wonderful opportunities (physical and spiritual) — Why not give your child or grandchild the chance to enjoy them?

Mark Bass



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**Article II of the Constitution & By-Laws of Ft. Hill Christian Youth Camp:** Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp, in its endeavor to help toward an understanding of God's word and to aid in developing Christian character, shall make the Bible its chief textbook, arrange all its courses of study, and conduct its work in harmony with the spirit and letter of the Word of God. To this end, every trustee, teacher, or other worker (except for hired help—cooks, carpenters, etc.) Must be a member of the Church of Christ (undominational) and must believe, without mental reservation, that the Bible is the full and final revelation to God to man; therefore, the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice; in the diety and supreme authority of Christ; obedience to the gospel; and the edification of the Church. Believing that such a faith, and a Church with a program in harmony with this faith, are essential to the salvation of the world, the Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp shall help prepare them to be effective servants of Christ. (Article II shall never be changed or amended except as to the name of the camp.)

**No one shall be denied admission to Ft. Hill Christian Youth Camp or to the benefits of our U.S. Department of Agriculture Child Nutrition Program because of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age.**

Jay Wilkins, Treasurer  
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