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Greetings from Fort Wilderness,

Signs of spring are showing themselves at Fort, and summer is just around the corner. I, along with my wife Emily, am looking forward to having your teen in the Lab program this summer. Our hope is that everyone that goes through Lab has a place and space to think about where they are on their journey, where they are heading, and whether they are in tune with God (or if they want to be).

Lab is a relaxed atmosphere where we encourage everyone to develop personal goals for their walk with God and help them wrestle though questions they might have. To encourage conversations, as well as an awe for the Creator, we spend a lot of time in the great outdoors with a canoe trip, a hiking trip, and a trip to Lake Superior. Coupled with Bible studies, one-on-one talks, and sharing around a campfire each night, we touch on many topics of faith and truth. Please be praying for hearts and minds to be open to what God would have as we grow together in Christ and in friendships with each other.

Check in for Lab will be at Fort's Main Site. You will be greeted by Fort Staff as well as our Lab Staff will be there to greet and transport your teen to Lab. Please make sure that all registration materials, Health History form & Risk form, fees, and insurance information are completed online **four weeks** before arrival. Your teen will also have to turn in any medications they may be taking at check-in.

A change for this year is that Pick up will be at Lab on Friday between 9:30-10:30 am and remember an I.D. will be required.

We are looking forward to the summer and have a great staff lined up. I know this will be an awesome opportunity to have fun while growing together in our Christian walk. Thank you for entrusting us with your teen. We will take good care of him/her. Again, be praying for our adventures and growth together this summer. A few things I want you to note is that I will be asking them to do some things that will help the Lab *family* keep our focus. The first is to not bring electronic devices such as iPods/games or even cell phones (phone use will be available for emergencies only); I will collect them at the beginning of Lab if they do bring them. The second is to consider the clothes that they bring, especially swimsuits; we want to make sure we help each other to stay pure in thought and deed. Please email me if you have questions about this:

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Your "Labber" will also receive a pre-summer letter. It contains information that will be of help to you and be beneficial for you and your Labber. Please look it over with them, talk through expectations and goals they might want to work toward, and pray together for this group of co-Labbers that they would all come ready to experience Christ and enjoy the outdoors. We can't wait to meet you and your Labber! Again, if you have any questions, my e-mail is joshtuckness@fortwilderness.com

Serving in Christ,

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