

Camp Dean Brainstorming Meeting
 November 15th @ 7:00 PM
 Camp LRCA Main Building

Have you ever been a dean at Camp LRCA?
 Would you like to dean a week of camp at LRCA? If so, this meeting is for YOU!
 (Women, you too!)

Help us identify ideas that worked, improve the areas that didn't and brainstorm ways to make Camp LRCA better!

*Pizza will be provided.
 RSVP 219-663-2530.

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2011 Camp in Review:

- 628 Total Campers (Classic Camp and Adventure Day Camp)
- 38 retreats
- 79 daycare and pre-school students



New General Manager Added to LRCA's Management Staff

Camp LRCA is pleased to announce that **Cherish Edwards** joined our staff as the General Manager in late June. Cherish has worked for the past 6 ½ years for the Oblong Children's Christian Home. She and her husband have 2 young daughters.



Cherish graduated from Lincoln Christian College University in 1999 with a BA in Early Childhood Ministry and completed her Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership at LCU in late August. In addition to working at Oblong Children's Christian Home, Cherish taught Kindergarten, served as a full time Children's Minister, and together with her husband, ministered as a houseparent at both East Tennessee Christian Home and Oblong Children's Christian Home.

Cherish is excited about the opportunity to use her gifts at relationship building and public speaking to build relationships with the LRCA churches. She believes that God has granted her a wonderful opportunity to blend her love for kids and teens with her passion for leadership as the General Manager of this ministry. **Cherish will be working alongside Mike Mauger, Operations Manager, as together they help LRCA soar to new heights and reach new goals while using Camp LRCA to share the saving message of Jesus Christ.**



Camp LRCA hosted a Faith Family and Fitness Event and 5k on October 1st.. The event was attended by special guests, **Marci and Courtney Croizer from the hit NBC show, The Biggest Loser.** Marci shared about the role of faith in her weight loss journey. Both women spent time visiting with the attendees and answering questions. Marci and Courtney joined over 50 people who participated in the 5k, which took place around camp LRCA's lake.

Thank you to our Event Sponsors:

Event Partners (\$1,000 or more): Chicagoland Christian Village and Nutrishop, Valparaiso

Event Sponsors (\$250-\$1,000): Jewel Osco, Hays Family Chiropractic, Pinnacle Hospital, Kreigel's Pumpkin Patch

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Other Gifts: Rees Funeral Home, Kasey Murillo: Mary Kay Consultant, Kauffman Chiropractic, Ace Hardware of Winfield, Seattle Sutton's Healthy Eating: David Vineyard



Mike's

It is always a joy to see the young people that come to camp year after year maturing in their faith and becoming active leaders for Jesus Christ. This summer, I had the privilege to be involved in the ordination services for two of our young men. I see other former campers when I visit our Bible Colleges and churches out of state. I see many of them active in new church work and serving as youth leaders in our churches.

This summer, ten of our deans were former LRCA campers. Along with that, many of the staff, teachers, cabin parents and nurses were past and present campers. Camp impacted their lives, and they came back to give their time and share their love for Jesus with others. As a result, twenty-eight young people made public confessions of their faith and were baptized. Others were challenged to greater levels of service or to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ.

I can't wait to watch this new batch of campers make a difference in the world.

Mike Mauger
Operation Manager



We are pleased to announce that we currently have 83 children enrolled in Caterpillar Academy. Our goal is to have 100 kids enrolled in our center by Christmas, allowing us to teach them how much Jesus loves them.

Due to our growth, we have had to hire 1 new teacher and 2 new teacher aides for our classrooms. We are excited! We have not hired any staff in two years and are encouraged by the growth of Caterpillar Academy. We recognize that God is blessing us and we pray his continued blessing, allowing us to minister to even more children and families.

Currently, our teachers are teaching about autumn, apples, families, the five senses and much more. Devotions are part of our daily routine, and we study a different Bible Story weekly. Please keep us in your prayers as we begin this exciting new year!

Debbie Morgan
Director at Caterpillar Academy

Cherish's Challenge

Church camp has always been a huge part of my life. My dad was always a dean at camp, so my first week of camp came before my first birthday! I was baptized at church camp. I preformed my first baptism at church camp. **I believe in the life changing power of church camps and I have witnessed that power working at Camp LRCA!**

Camp LRCA is financially dependant on fundraisers, camp registration fees and most importantly, the support of individuals and churches. **Your giving makes a difference.**

This fall, Camp LRCA is launching several new levels of financial commitment. If you have never given to LRCA on a regular basis, would you consider doing so now? Review the levels of giving and determine what God is leading you to do to keep the mission of Camp LRCA thriving.

I know that I do not always give as sacrificially as I should, so I will be making a commitment to LRCA this year. What about you? Can you spare a morning run to your favorite coffee joint? Would you be willing to underwrite our food budget for a week? Whatever you do, please know that **the lives of young people are being changed through your gift!**

Cherish Edwards

Cherish Edwards
General Manager

Will you consider how you can give to Camp LRCA and fill out the form below? Your address is already on the other side. Please note any necessary changes

Camp Alive: \$10 a month

\$ 10 a month helps keep Camp LRCA alive and growing. This gift allows youth served through camp find NEW LIFE in Christ!

Coffee Club: \$25 a month

Trade in your coffee shop coffee and treat one day a week for a year. As part of the coffee club, you will receive a LRCA travel mug as a thank you.

Lunch Buddies: \$100 a month

\$100 feeds Caterpillar Academy for a week. Each Lunch Buddy will get an embroidered Caterpillar Academy lunch bag as a gift.

Sponsor a day: \$1,000 a year

Honor a loved one (in lieu of birthday gifts, Christmas gifts, etc) by dedicating a day at LRCA in his/her name. If the sponsorship is a gift, a card will be send to the honoree on their special day. Sponsor a day can also be a memorial for a loved one.

I will help Camp LRCA through:

Camp Alive Coffee Club
 Lunch Buddies Sponsor A Day
Date Sponsored: _____

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