

LOMIK Lent Prayer Campaign 2019

We invite you to pray for Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana-Kentucky this Lent! Our ministry is not possible without prayer, so we thank you for helping us prepare for our summer ministry by covering our camps in prayer. During Lent we remember our Lord's love for the world, and many of us engage in a spiritual or physical discipline to draw closer to God. We hope that this prayer campaign will be a beneficial addition to your Lenten practices and thank you for your support of our ministry.

Instructions: Lent is forty days long, so we have included a list of forty items to pray for, one for each day. We also included the list of our staff members for this summer so you can pray for them by name. (You will notice that our staff is not complete yet; please also pray that God will bring us the people we need for a complete staff!)

You can approach this prayer campaign anyway you would like. What has worked well for our Lutheran Hills manager in the past was she prayed for the day's topic during her morning prayer time then wrote it on a slip of paper and attached it to her wrist with a paperclip. Whenever she looked at the bracelet throughout the day, she would pray for the item. She connected the bracelets into a chain as Lent progressed to remind her of the prayers for our ministry. In the summer she put the prayer chain in her room to remind her of the prayers (hers and others) that were supporting our work. If you would like to go this route, you are welcome to mail the bracelets to us before the summer, and we will hang them in our staff lounges as a reminder to our staff of the people and prayers supporting them. You could also write the word on your hand as a reminder throughout the day, or perhaps your family could pray for the day's item at dinner or before bed.

Since the forty days of Lent do not include Sundays, you could pray for the staff by name every Sunday. Or, however you like! Please incorporate this into your conversations with God however suits you best!

At the end of the prayer campaign we ask that you write a note to our summer staff to let them know that you prayed for them. We will post your note in the staff lounges to encourage our staff throughout the summer!

Thank you very much for your support!

40 Days of Prayer Topics

1. Discipleship
 - a. that all may grow in their relationship with Christ through their relationships with each other
2. Safety
 - a. For an injury and illness free summer!
3. Growth for Staff
 - a. Spiritually, relationally, emotionally, and in leadership
4. Growth for Campers
 - a. To discover more about God, themselves, getting along with others, and trying new things
5. Energy
 - a. For limitless energy in the staff and wisdom to know how to recharge
6. Christ's Perspective of Ourselves and Others
 - a. So that all may learn to see themselves and others as God sees us and treat all accordingly
7. Open Hearts
 - a. That all may be open to God and each other
8. Holy Spirit
 - a. That the Holy Spirit will be very active in our camps this summer and that staff and campers will get glimpses of the Spirit's presence
9. Truth
 - a. In our words and teaching
10. Role Models
 - a. that the staff will rise to the challenge of being quality role models for the campers and each other
11. Communication
 - a. That all will communicate often and clearly and for miscommunications to be minimal
12. Words
 - a. That the Holy Spirit will give us the right words to speak and hear at the right time
13. Flexibility
 - a. For all to be able to "go with the flow" as plans change unexpectedly
14. Humility
 - a. That people will be able to admit when they are wrong and have a proper perspective of themselves in relation to Christ
15. Unity
 - a. Among staffs and cabins
16. Wisdom & Guidance
 - a. For the Holy Spirit to guide all in their words and actions

17. Conform the Staff's Hearts to God's Heart
 - a. For the staff to desire what God desires and allow themselves to be His hands and feet
18. Fun!
 - a. For the summer to be a blast with lots of laughter!
19. Lasting Impact
 - a. beyond a week at camp into all of life
20. Directors
 - a. That God will guide and encourage our leadership staff
21. Male Counselors
 - a. That God will guide and encourage our male counselors
22. Female Counselors
 - a. That God will guide and encourage our female counselors
23. Support Staff
 - a. That God will grow and encourage our support staff and ease their weary feet
24. Pastor Steve Flynn
 - a. LOMIK Executive Director
25. Bible Literacy
 - a. that all at camp may delve more deeply into God's Word and find a lifelong love for scripture
26. Leadership
 - a. That leaders will be born and nurtured at camp and receive encouragement to sustain them
27. The Churches that Campers Go Home to
 - a. that the gospel may be lived every day and that the campers will return home with a contagious enthusiasm for God that will ignite their churches
28. Camp Pastors
 - a. that they may be renewed as they serve in this setting
29. Reading Camp Staff
 - a. To be refreshed at camp and serve the kids in love
30. Romans and Christians (Camp Activity that brings spiritual insights)
 - a. For God to draw staff and campers closer to Him through the insights they have from this activity
31. Maintaining the "Spiritual High" After Camp
 - a. That staff and campers will have the resources, mentors, and desire to continue to pursue God after camp
32. Encouragement
 - a. That staff will be encouraged as they lead and campers will be encouraged in their identity as loved children of God
33. Against Staff Burnout
 - a. That staff will receive the encouragement, rest, and resources they need to fight burnout and continue serving with joy

34. Openness

- a. That people will be transparent with each other and open to being used by God

35. Forgiveness

- a. That people will accept the forgiveness that God has shown them and show others the same forgiveness

36. Friendship

- a. That lifelong friendships will be formed and fostered this summer

37. Community

- a. That campers and staff will get a glimpse of Christian community as God intended

38. Conflict Resolution

- a. Wisdom for people as conflicts arise – conflicts in both situations and relationships

39. Outreach

- a. That people who have never come to camp before or don't know God will attend camp this summer

40. Christwalk (activity where the staff acts out scenes from the Bible)

- a. That God will reveal Himself powerfully through Christwalk