

Little Prairie Bible Camp

Winter Newsletter

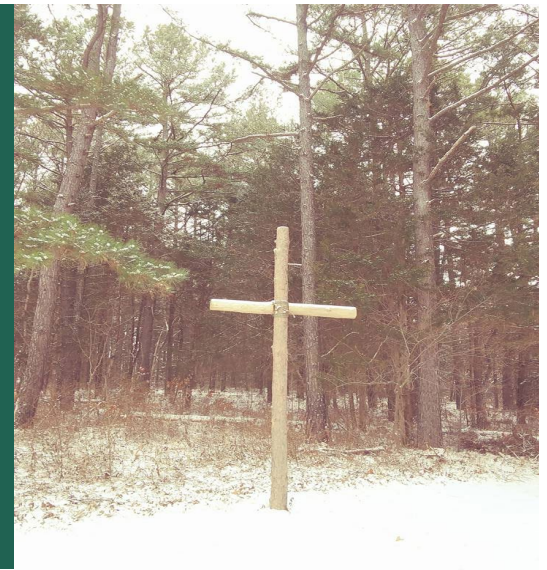


Upcoming Events

April 18, 2026 Spring Banquet 12:00 p.m. Rolla Church of Christ 1303 Nagogami Rd. Rolla, MO 65401	May 2, 2026 Opening Work Day 9:00 a.m. Little Prairie Bible Camp 13616 County Rd. 2250 St. James, MO 65559	Aug. 1, 2026 Fabulous Fakes 5:00 p.m. The Barn 13015 Hwy 28 Dixon, MO 65459	Sept. 25-26, 2026 Annual Meeting & Fall Campout Family Campout on Friday Annual Meeting on Saturday Little Prairie Bible Camp 13616 County Rd. 2250 St. James, MO 65559
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Our Mission:

It is the mission of Little Prairie Bible Camp to provide a loving Christian camp experience to help youth, adults, and families develop a personal, growing, spirit-filled relationship with God and His Son Jesus Christ, while inspiring them to share their faith with others.



2025 - Looking Back

By Jason Derrickson

Looking back at the 2025 camp sessions, we can truly say we were blessed in many ways. Each session—Day Camp, Primary Week, Jr. Week, Combo Week, Senior Week, and Senior/College Weekend—ran smoothly. Our total number of campers even increased by three compared to 2024, marking our third consecutive year of growth. Onward and upward!

Our mission remains vital: to teach God's Word so every camper can draw closer to Him and connect with Jesus. The camp's setting plays a significant role in this mission—stepping away from the world, spending time in God's creation, and continually praying for His protection all help create an environment where spiritual growth can flourish.

A meaningful part of camp life is the friendships formed and the opportunities campers have to discover who they are and how they can contribute to each session. These moments strengthen unity and remind us what it means to live in

Christ. Camp offers a “mountain-top” experience each week, a glimpse of Heaven that prepares campers to face the secular world with stronger spiritual footing. They return home knowing they have friends who will offer godly counsel and help guide them in the right direction. It is truly a transformative experience.

Our theme for 2025 was “Peacemakers,” based on Matthew 5:9. Peacemaking is a crucial godly trait in a world filled with violence and division. Peace is one of the fruits of the Spirit, and as Matthew 5:9 teaches, “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.” Our only true peace comes from the Prince of Peace.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the directors, counselors, cooks, craft leaders, teachers, caretakers, and everyone who set aside time in their schedules to make this year possible. As a board, we pray for each of you and deeply appreciate your dedication to this ministry.

Memorials in 2025

Jack Harris

Gary Lee Webber

Dan Gillett

Phil Roberts

Linda Bast

Clara Gillett

Floyd Ferrell

Did you know?

Individuals and church groups are able to rent the facilities at camp. We have some spots open this summer!



What's New in 2026?

Theme for 2026:

"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."
John 8:31-32

Updates to Website and Registration Process

Exciting Updates Coming Soon to the Little Prairie Bible Camp Website

We're excited to share that **big changes are on the way** for the Little Prairie Bible Camp website! Over the coming weeks, you'll begin to see improvements designed to make it easier than ever to connect with camp, register for events, and support the ministry we all love.

A Revamped Website Experience

Be on the lookout for a refreshed website with a cleaner look, improved navigation, and updated content. Our goal is to make it simpler for families, campers, and supporters to find important information quickly and enjoy a smoother online experience.

New Camp Registration Process

We're also working behind the scenes on a **new and improved camp registration system**. This updated process is designed to be more user-friendly and efficient for families. We're hoping to have the new registration system finalized and ready to roll out in **February**, just in time for the upcoming camp season.

New Ways to Support LPBC Page

In addition to website updates, we've launched a brand-new **"Ways to Support LPBC"** page that outlines several meaningful ways you can help support the ministry:

- **Monetary Donations** – Direct financial gifts help support camp programs, facilities, and future growth.
- **Amazon Wishlist** – A new wishlist allows supporters to purchase specific items needed for camp operations and programming.
- **eBay for Charity** – If you sell on eBay, you can choose to donate a portion of each sale to support Little Prairie Bible Camp through the eBay for Charity program.

Every contribution—large or small—helps us continue our mission of providing Christ-centered camp experiences for campers of all ages.

Thank you for your continued prayers, support, and encouragement. Stay tuned for more updates, and be sure to check back soon to experience the new and improved Little Prairie Bible Camp website!

Amazon Wishlist

An Amazon Wishlist is being created to help meet some of the ongoing needs at Little Prairie Bible Camp. This list will highlight specific, practical items—things that may not always be thought of but make a big difference in daily camp life. Seeing these needs firsthand can make it easier to support the camp in a tangible way.

Items may include kitchen tools, sports equipment,

laundry and pool supplies, and other essentials available through Amazon. Any items purchased will be shipped directly to the camp.

If you have questions or suggestions for the Wishlist, please reach out to Kim Parker (Board Member) or Misty Williamson (Caretaker). Thank you for your continued love and support of Little Prairie Bible Camp.

Visit our website at littleprairie.org, or just scan the QR code below!



Upcoming Projects for Site Maintenance

The site maintenance committee is currently evaluating several improvement projects in preparation for the 2026 camp sessions. Our initial focus is the replacement of the roof on the Multi. This upgrade will address existing leaks and enable subsequent enhancements to the Multi, dining hall, and kitchen facilities. It is our goal to ensure that this building remains functional and reliable for many years.

The committee is also assessing necessary repairs and improvements to the lagoon. Restoring this area will position the camp for future development and

support ongoing facility upgrades.

In addition, we are considering expansion of the chapel to accommodate larger groups. An extended roof structure would provide increased shade and protection from inclement weather, thereby improving the overall experience for all campers.

We also anticipate making several smaller improvements to the kitchen, dining hall, and various areas throughout the camp. We respectfully request your prayers as we strive to function as responsible and faithful stewards of the camp and its resources.

How can you help?

- Come join us on the Opening LPBC Work Day on May 2, 2026.
- Donate to the Scholarship fund.
- Your local congregation can help us out by donating specific food items for the summer sessions.
- Ask about having our Board President come to present a devo and information about LPBC at your local church.
- Visit the new Ways to Support LPBC on our website for more ideas!

Tis the Season

By Logan Stark

*For everything there is a season, and a time
for every matter under heaven:
a time to be born, and a time to die
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is
planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
(Ecclesiastes 3:1-4)*

For a book which starts out as, “Meaningless, meaningless, all is meaningless” (or in the Hebrew, “*Hevel, hevel, all is hevel,*” Ecclesiastes offers some solid wisdom, “For everything there is a season.”

I don’t know about you, but I still can’t believe that it is already 2026! The start of a new year also means that summer isn’t too far off. I’m sure there are many of you who are counting down the days until camp (I have one friend who’s already counting down the days till Christmas). And there is nothing wrong with that. Camp is a wonderful experience and is most definitely one of the highlights of my year; however, I also want to give a word of caution.

There is a season for everything. A time for summer, and a time for winter. A time for fun, and a time for work. A time to be on the



mountain top, and a time to endure the valleys. If we are living for just the summers, or if we’re trying to race through the week in order to enjoy the weekend, then there is a lot of life that we’re missing out on. There’s nothing wrong about looking forward to the future, I mean, shouldn’t we all be anticipating the future day when Jesus will return?! But in our waiting, let us not forget to also live in the present.

You are in a mission field at this moment. Whether that be at school, home, work, or even at your church, God has put you in this place and time for a reason. There are souls around you who need to hear the Gospel. There are hurting people around you who can use prayers, hugs, and encouragement. You have a bigger purpose than just having fun. Therefore, embrace this time that you have before camp to make a difference in the here and now. And in the not-too-distant future, we’ll get to share how God has used us, when we reunite this summer!