



B1: ONE BEING, BEING ONE

Thank you for registering for the 2010 Bishop's Confirmation Retreat.

As your group's contact person, you are the **ONLY ONE** who will receive this information. Please distribute this information to the rest of your group.

We want you to have a sense of how our time will be spent at the retreat (see enclosed schedule). We will have worship, workshops, and informal time to meet new friends. We will eat our meals together and play some games. **We plan to assign folks to sleeping areas by gender**; there **MUST** be at least **ONE adult** accompanying every **FIVE youth** from a local church attending this event. Further, we would suggest that there be an appropriate number of male and female chaperones (**18 years or older**) with your group. ACTIVE adult chaperones are expected to supervise their kids during worship, program, meal, evening and free times during the event. This is an active, high energy, fast paced event, if you have a participant who has special needs please contact our office to be sure this event is the right "match".

The theme of our event is ***B1: one being, being one***. We plan to address this in many ways. We are asking that **EACH GROUP** bring a half cup of flour that will be presented for the baking of our Communion Bread for closing worship (This means ½ cup per group!).

Please eat dinner before you arrive. Snacks will be available after our evening gathering. For Monte Toyon attendees there are places to eat in Aptos and for Lodestar, there are places in Jackson.

Enclosed are medical release forms for your group. Please **MAKE SURE** each participant brings a completed form with them to the retreat (there is one for the adults too!). **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CHURCH WITHOUT THEM. Medical forms are to be turned in at the time of registration when you arrive at the Retreat.** Because we will keep your medical forms on file, **please bring a copy of each form** for your records and your return trip home.

WHAT TO BRING: Bible, pencil, sleeping bag, pillow, toiletries, towel and washcloth, warm jacket, **Normal Type FLASHLIGHT**, change of clothes, appropriate outdoor shoes, rain gear, musical instruments, **medical form**, mosquito repellent. Also, the Bishop's Confirmation meditation workshop leader, Laurie McHugh has requested that kids bring a camera to her session, if they can.

WHAT TO LEAVE AT HOME: Candy, gum, food, CD/MP3 player/radio, etc., computer, cell phones, pagers, walkie-talkies (two way radios), fireworks, personal sports equipment, money, jewelry or any valuables, alcohol, cigarettes, or illegal drugs, weapons (including knives).

BEHAVIOR COVENANT: To insure the safe, enjoyable experience that embodies the mission of our Youth Ministry, we prohibit the following:

- ☺ Alcohol, Tobacco, Non-prescription Drugs
- ☺ Weapons, Fireworks
- ☺ Foul or inappropriate language
- ☺ Bullying or physical violence
- ☺ Inappropriate sexual behavior
- ☺ Disrespect for the guidelines, property or adults of the program

Violation of this covenant could result in dismissal from the retreat at the discretion of the Directors. In the case of dismissal, participants must provide their own transportation home.

*** A special note for our local church pastors accompanying their confirmation class:** If you are a pastor coming to the retreat, we would like you to participate in a blessing for our confirmands at the closing worship. Please bring a stole for this celebration that has special meaning for your ministry. *

Please feel free to contact one of us with any questions you might have.

Peace,
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