



This is a letter inviting you to join us this summer at Camp Rockfish. Each summer we invite pastors and some other key voices to join us for one week to help spread the Word and love of God by serving as a Pastor in Residence or PIR. We believe your unique take on our discipleship material for Summer 2023 will help resonate with our youth. Summer 2023 will run from June 4-August 4. Below I have included some more information about the role of the PIR to help you prayerfully discern if you will accept our invitation this summer. We are asking much earlier this year than in previous years because we have heard from many pastors through the years that they wished we had asked sooner so they could plan earlier for their own schedule.

The Theme

This year our theme is *Found* surrounding Luke 15:24

**For this my son was dead, and is alive again;
He was lost, and is found.**

Have you ever felt unwanted, alone, or lost? Jesus teaches us when we are lost, God is still seeking us out! Only when God finds us and we find God can we truly become a part of the body of Christ. Being found invites us to a life of peace, joy, hope, love, and acceptance. Join us this summer as we learn about God's unconditional search for us and what it means to truly be found.

The Schedule

The PIR has multiple opportunities to share with our campers throughout the week. The main opportunities are Opening Campfire Sunday night with the Resident Campers, Monday-Friday at Morning Chapel with the Day and Resident Campers together, Monday-Friday Afternoon Chapel with the Day Campers, and Evening Worship Monday-Thursday with the Resident Campers. We also extend the opportunity for the PIR to share some final thoughts with our Resident Campers during their closing ceremony Friday afternoon. That is 16 opportunities to share God with our campers and staff! While these are the scheduled opportunities, we also invite our PIRs to become a part of our camp community, to walk around and participate in activities, and to engage with our campers and staff.

The Ask

Pray about joining us this summer at Camp Rockfish. During your week, we would ask you to join us for Sunday dinner and stay with us through Friday afternoon. Room and board are included during this time. We will fill in our volunteers to be a PIR into our schedule based on the availability of the PIR as well as the age group which they may connect with the best.

The Invitation

If you determine you are willing to join us this summer or have any questions, please email Jess Sanders at jess@camprockfish.org with your availability. From there we will find the best fit for you in our schedule. We kindly ask to know if you will be accepting this invitation as soon as possible, but at least by January 31, 2023.

Thank you for considering being a part of Rockfish Camp and Retreat Center this summer!