

Serve Camp FAQs

What is the vision for Serve Camp?

Love God: Summer Camps are life changing God moments for our kids and youth of Praise Church. We believe this Serve Camp will be a life changing God moment for you too! We often say "summer camp is the closest thing to heaven on earth!"

Love People: You get to serve the next generation and help position them to hear God and respond to him. You also get to be at ground zero when those God moments happen for them! First responders to help them grow!

M.A.D: We believe in summer camps! To make a summer camp happen it requires the church to step up and BE THE CHURCH! It takes a big team willing to sacrifice a week of their summer to invest in the next generation. YOU can help make a difference!

How do I apply for Serve Camp?

Fill out the serve camp application form at praisechurch.tv and pay the registration fee. Upon approval of your application, a background check and child protective training will be required.

Camp Dates:

Praise YTH Summer Camp
July 15-18, 2022

How much does Serve Camp cost?

\$100 registration fee

Mandatory Training Date:

June 12, 2022

Age Requirements: Serve Camp is for young adults ages 18+

Location: Lake Tomahawk Christian Retreat Center in Livingston, TX

Why do we need to pay for serve Camp?

We believe that mobilizing the Next Generation will give them a deeper camp experience than ever before. While a little different, this is still a summer camp experience. We are combining the ideas of a mission trip [*usually \$800-\$2,000*] and a summer camp [*usually \$400*] for those in Praise Young Adults for the incredible price of \$100 per camp.

Are there refunds?

Once your application and payment is approved for Serve Camp, your money **cannot** be refunded. If your application is not accepted, you will be fully refunded.

How do I apply for Financial Assistance?

No financial assistance will be provided for Serve Camp 2022..

General Info

What are the expectations for Serve Camp?

Character: You will be placed in a position of influence. Christian character is key.

Training: You will be expected to be at all training events leading up to Serve Camp.

Maturity: These positions are reserved for those who have the maturity needed to fulfill the roles.

What happens at Serve Camp?

Serve campers create an environment for campers to grow in their knowledge and understanding of God in a fun environment. Serve Campers will spend time at camp creating relationships, leading small groups, sharing the Gospel, playing games and being a part of witnessing God move in and through the lives of YTH!

Campground features:

There is a lake, a blob, and a zipline over the lake. (now that's a summer camp!)

Team Competitions at YTH Camps:

A super fun, hyper competitive atmosphere with the goal to win the crown of Camp Champs! We will have 4 color coordinated teams and you will be notified what team you are a part of so you can prepare ahead of time!

What jobs are there to apply for?

There are many different ways to serve!

REC Team

Small Group Leaders Team

Events Team

Host Team

Can I pick which job I would be interested in serving in?

Yes. During the application process you will have the option to tell us which teams you are interested in joining. This does not ensure you will get your top selection of team.

What does the training and equipping process look like leading up to camp?

1. Gospel Training: An online course that equips you to share the gospel. This prepares you for that moment at camp where you lead a youth to Jesus!
2. Camp Launch Day (June 12th): We bring camp atmosphere here to Praise Church campus for a 4 hour taste of what Camp will look and feel like! This day is **mandatory**.
3. Team Training: Each team will spend specific time together learning how to do the job assigned to them for camp!

What does a typical day of camp look like?

A typical camp day will include rec activities, small group time, one main service with worship and a message, late night activities, all meals provided.

Can I bring Electronics?

We ask that Serve Campers limit the usage of any electronic devices. They are allowed, but only for official use and during break times.

What do I do if there is an emergency while at Serve Camp?

The best way to get in contact with you while at Serve Camp is to call one of the provided emergency numbers. All contact information will be collected ahead of time.

Do I need spending money at Serve Camp?

Yes. Lake Tomahawk will have a concession stand and a camp store available if you choose to buy snacks and products.

Is transportation provided?

No. Serve Campers may drive themselves to camp and are encouraged to carpool.

Is there a camp dress code?

Modest dress is **expected** of all campers and staff. T-shirts and/or cover ups must be worn with swimwear when travelling to and from the pool area.

What to Bring:

A specific camp packing list and camp itinerary will be emailed to the address you provide on the registration form.

What NOT to Bring:

Personal electronics, firearms, fireworks, candles, tobacco, vapes, narcotics, alcohol, or any prank related items.

Medical Information**What medications do I bring to camp?**

All prescribed or over the counter medications. They should be in a sealed ziplock bag and accompanied by a filled out camp medication form. All medication must be turned into camp directors upon arrival and turned into the nursing staff.

Do you give pain relievers if needed?

All medications will be administered by the nursing staff as needed.