

REGISTRATION DEADLINE 7/23/17



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SIMPSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2017 ANNUAL RETREAT

(REVITALIZED)

SEPTEMBER 8, 9 & 10, 2017

BUCKHORN METHODIST CAMP

Rist Canyon (West of Ft. Collins)

Dear Simpson Family:

As we promised last month, enclosed is some additional information regarding the Buckhorn Summer Camp and Retreat Center which will be the site of our Simpson 2017 Retreat. A final info package will be sent to those who register for this event. Saturday discussion topics will focus on: Religion, Health, Our Church, and Personal Exploration. Rev. Vivian promises to help us bring out joy, fun and laughter in each topic.

And we'll have lots of active things to do—games, fishing, even rock climbing. Some of the activities (like that last one) will require additional money and advance reservations because of the need for certified facilitators.

The following details are included in this document:

- Policies & Procedures
- Description of Premises
- Map & Directions to Buckhorn Camp
- Weekend Activity Format
- **Individual Registration Form** (*please use one for each participant*)

Please complete the enclosed registration form along with your check and forward same to Pat Hayashi by **July 23, 2017.**

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S E P T E M B E R 8 , 9 , & 10 , 2017

We are going to have a fun and memorable experience at this Re-Treat!
Re-Discover, Re-Connect, Re-Invent!

We'll have our new minister, Rev. Vivian Hiestand, on board to facilitate the program. More about that on the next page. Most of the discussions and spiritual activities will take place Saturday morning and again during Saturday evening. This leaves Saturday afternoon open for activities such as fishing or other free pastimes OR... You could opt to pay a little extra for things like rock climbing (see bulleted activities list on the next page! And see registration form to sign up.)

Speaking of costs, good news! Thanks to a grant from the Uyeno Fund and sponsorship from Simpson's ONE Committee, the costs will be a fraction of what it would be otherwise. For food, lodging, and the basic program for Friday night through Sunday, it's just \$30 per person! And kids age 0–15 are FREE (when accompanied by a parent). Camperships are also available for youth age 16–18. Please see the registration form on the last page—we'll need one form for each participant.

The Buckhorn staff will be doing the cooking for us. If you have special dietary needs, please indicate this on your registration form and they can accommodate that need for a nominal extra fee.

We'll be sleeping in cabins with bunk beds; six beds and a bathroom in each cabin. We'll have to bring our own bedding and towels— sleeping bags if you've got 'em; otherwise just bring some twin sheets, pillows, and a good supply of blankets. If you have little ones who need a safety rail, you'll also want to bring that.

Tell us on the registration form if you want to bunk with certain people, or have special questions or issues regarding cabin arrangements. (FYI, no food is allowed in the cabins. This helps to assure you won't have un-invited, four-legged guests; be they mice, chipmunks, or bears!)

You'll be Re-Treating yourself to a real get-away. About the time you get to the dirt roads leading into Buckhorn, there is no cell phone service and no TV signal. But there is a land line at the camp for emergency calls. So the Re-Connecting we'll be doing may be with each other. The Re-Discovering we'll be doing may be with God's creation. The Re-Inventing part is up to you.

So Rev. Vivian will be facilitating a big part of the retreat to help us re-discover God's truth; re-connect with God's presence; and re-invent our own response to that. To accomplish this we'll be joining in on some exercises in "Praying with Scriptures". Everyone will receive a small journal.

This exercise goes back to the first century, but it is still a new and exciting way to take a deep dive together into scriptures and all the ideas they evoke. There are three rules: 1. Show up; 2. You can't do it wrong; and 3. If you think you're doing it wrong, refer to rule #2. The idea is that God will use whatever we come up with in the discussion.

Friday night we'll get settled in and gather for some snacks and some ice-breakers led by the Buckhorn staff. Then Rev. Vivian will lead us in the first topic in the Praying with Scriptures context, so we'll all have some ideas and thoughts to sleep on.

Saturday will start with breakfast at 8:00 am. That morning we'll continue with another Praying with Scriptures session, followed by other break-out groups or workshops.

Then lunch will be at noon, and you've got the afternoon to enjoy some of the activities at Buckhorn. You can just go fishing if you like (bringing your own equipment is recommended.) There is some good hiking nearby; or there are plenty of games available.

For the more adventurous, when you register you can sign up for activities such as archery, paddle boarding, or rock climbing. These have some fees and brief training associated with them. See the next page and the registration form for a complete list.

Then at 5:45 we're back for dinner. It will be a time to compare experiences from that afternoon. We'll see who has the biggest fish story. Afterwards, we'll become fishers of ideas with more Praying with Scriptures and other break-out groups (more details as the event gets closer).

Sunday morning, it's breakfast again at 8:00 am. We'll have a worship service and also wrap up our series of personal reflection activities as well. That's pretty much it. Hopefully you'll leave feeling Re-Connected to God's creation; to others; and to your faith. And ready for a year of Re-Invention with your fellow Simpson family.

Questions may be directed to any of the following Retreat Facilitators:

Ken Namba	Charlotte Namba	Bob Fujioka	Jane Fujioka
John Hall	Ruby Hada	Ann Kitayama	Joe Hayashi
Tom Fujita	Pat Hayashi	Noelle Maynell	Scott Pelletier



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director@buckhorncamp.org
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Standard GPS Address: 381 Old Camp Rd, Bellvue, CO 80512

Alternate GPS Address: 2120 CR-41, Bellvue, CO 80512

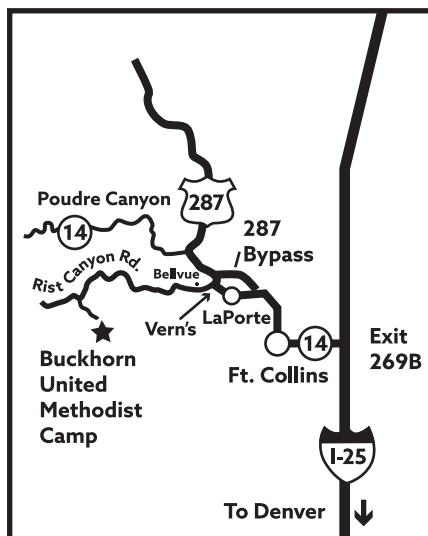
GPS Coordinates: N40°35.954 W105°18.680

Gate Code: 1234

**** Back Road from Boulder / Longmont / Loveland through Masonville is open and fun!*

Directions from I-25 / Fort Collins:

- Take exit 269B to Hwy 14 West
- Drive 3 miles west on Hwy 14 (you're going to follow 14/287 through much of town)
- Turn Right on Riverside. Drive 0.6 miles. Riverside becomes Jefferson continue 0.4 miles
- Turn Right on College/Hwy 14/U.S. 287. Drive 3.6 miles
- Stay straight on U.S 287 B toward Bellvue/Laporte. Continue 2.6 miles
- Turn Left on Rist Canyon Rd. (Look for Vern's diner / gas on right). Drive 12 miles up the mountain. (Some of this last bit will be a dirt road.)



At the very Top:

- Turn left (at the very top) on CR-41. There will be row of mailboxes just after the drive. Drive about a mile to a gate on the right. (If you reach the radio towers you have gone a little too far).
- Gate code is 1234 (if closed). Gate opens automatically on way out. You will drive through the old Tip Top Ranch on the way in. Please drive slowly
- 1.5 miles through the gate you'll cross a cattle guard just after the Old Tip Top Ranch.
- Turn Left (following signs and staying on the main road)
- At the Fork a Large Buckhorn sign will say "You made it!".
- Take the right fork and head on into camp. Parking area will be noted.

BUCKHORN CAMP

SUMMER CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

MAILING: PO Box 125 • DRIVING: 381 Old Camp Rd. • Bellvue, CO 80512
970-484-2508 • www.BuckhornCamp.org • info@buckhorncamp.org

*Rules for acceptance and participation in programs at Buckhorn Camp are the same for everyone without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, handicap, or national origin

Description of Buckhorn Facilities -

Housing- Guests are responsible for providing their own linens and towels for Elkhorn Lodge and the cabins. These spaces have bunk bed style lodging with shared bathrooms. Elkhorn Lodge is available for year round use. Our main camp cabins are available May through early November. Groups are allowed to use the number of beds reserved in the housing specified in their contract.

Food Service - Meals are served in the centrally located Dining Hall. A final group number must be provided two weeks prior to the group's arrival as specified on the group's contract to allow Buckhorn staff to prepare the correct amount of food. We are happy to try our best to accommodate special dietary needs. Please contact us at least two weeks prior to your group's retreat about any special dietary requests your group may have so we can meet those needs.

Meal times are: Breakfast 8:00 AM, Lunch 12:00 PM, Dinner 5:45 PM.

Use of Premises and Schedule- Buckhorn will provide for water, electricity, and garbage disposal as well as provide good housekeeping and maintain the buildings in good condition. Please help keep guest fees down by assisting in leaving the facilities clean and in good condition. After removing all personal belongings, please return all chairs, tables, and other equipment to their original location.

Meeting Rooms- Meeting space is available in Buckhorn and Elkhorn Lodges. During warm weather seasons, space is also available at the picnic and recreation shelters. The Buckhorn Director will arrange for meeting spaces for groups. Assignments are based on the size of the group, program needs, and other groups on site.

Activities and Equipment- Available equipment and activities are listed below. As there is a limited quantity of this equipment, groups may be asked to share equipment. Reservations will be granted on a first come basis and at the discretion of Buckhorn staff. For some equipment and activities, there may be an additional fee.

Meeting Support:

- Projector
- DVD/VCR
- Speakers
- Television
- Tables
- Projection Screen
- Microphones
- Sound Board

Self-Programmed:

- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Hiking Trails
- Fire Circles
- Fishing (bring own equipment)
- Play Field
- Geocaching
- Telescope
- GaGa
- 9 Square
- Horseshoes
- Baggo / Corn Hole

Programmed and staffed by Buckhorn:

- Rock Climbing + \$15.00
- Teambuilding
- Contra/Square Dancing
- Service projects
- Evening Programs
- Large group icebreakers
- Culvert slide (training required) + \$4.50
- Archery + \$4.50
- Paddle Boarding + \$12.50
- Rappelling + \$20.00
- Slack Line (training required) + \$3.00
- Sluice Box + \$3.00
- Low Ropes Course + \$10.00
- Team Building Course + \$20.00

Please prearrange for activities and equipment so we may be prepared to assist your group. Contracted activities not utilized by group will be billed at full rate. Cancellation due to weather concerns must be agreed upon by group and Buckhorn. Buckhorn reserves the right to cancel facilitated activities for participant safety with little or no notice.

BUCKHORN POLICIES

1. Please check in with us upon arrival. We'll either plan ahead to meet you at the office or Elkhorn Lodge. After your group's arrival, your host will provide an orientation to Buckhorn and review the camp's safety and emergency procedures. For the safety of your group, this orientation is required of all groups using the facility.
2. During the term of this agreement, the group shall use Buckhorn or conducting a program of its own design and shall comply with all applicable laws, codes, and regulations. The group shall notify Buckhorn Camp of the nature of its program and will promptly supply Buckhorn Camp with information concerning the program upon request.
3. Vehicles shall be driven and parked only in the designated areas and driven in accordance with the posted speed limit of 15 mph. Group leaders will prohibit participants from riding in non-passenger areas of vehicles. Vehicle use should be limited on the camp property in favor of walking whenever possible. PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY.
4. The use of alcohol, recreational or illicit drugs, fireworks, firearms, ammunition, and explosives is prohibited. Offenders will be asked to leave.
5. All of the buildings at Buckhorn are non-smoking facilities. Group leaders will prohibit smoking in all buildings and shall warn all persons of the hazards of indiscriminate smoking at the facility. Open fires may be built only in the campfire areas and may be restricted to burn bans based on weather conditions. It is understood that both Buckhorn and groups must comply with all lawful orders of appropriate fire control officials.
6. Pets (other than service animals) are not permitted on camp property except by special ADVANCE permission of Director and shall not be allowed in any camp building.
7. The camp is often in use by more than one group. In these cases, all persons are expected to respect the rights of others and cooperate in insuring that the goals of all groups are met. For all groups, quiet hours are observed between the hours of 10:30 PM and 7:00 AM. Buckhorn reserves the right to require that the group remove from the property any persons in, or in any way connected with, the group who, in the sole opinion of Buckhorn Camp, are creating a disturbance or who are otherwise disrupting activities.
8. It is the responsibility of the group to provide adequate adult leadership (we recommend a 1 adult to 7 youth ratio). We also recommend for the safety of minors in your group, all adults be screened with a criminal background check.
9. Buckhorn Camp does not provide medical supervision, treatment, maintenance, or dispensing of medications for groups. These responsibilities belong to the group. The group agrees to furnish non-emergency transportation and fuel for vehicle. Groups agree to furnish a qualified adult to provide basic health supervision. A qualified adult is at least 21 years of age and possesses at least a certificate of training in the principles of first aid and CPR. Groups must bring own first aid supplies and equipment. If needed, Buckhorn can help make arrangements for doctor or hospital care. Please report these injuries or illnesses that require further medical care to your host.
10. Groups agree to supervise and to assume full control and responsibility for any persons, entities or things that uses Buckhorn as a part of the group. Group agrees to have liability insurance and provide Buckhorn with evidence of coverage upon request. Group agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Buckhorn and its past, present, and future members, directors, officers, employees, agents, and independent contractors and their successors, assigns and heirs from and against any harm and/or claim made by any third part arising out of or in any way connected with the group's actions and/or failure(s) to act in respect of its use of Buckhorn Camp.
11. Groups agree to bring and have available at all times a current list of participants that includes names and addresses, emergency contact information, and known allergies or health conditions requiring treatment, restriction, or other accommodations.
12. Please notify any group departure from the property and planned return time to your host.
13. Please ask your host to use a camp phone in the case of an emergency.
14. All persons under the age of 18 years who are not accompanied by a parent or legal guardian must bring an authorization form for emergency medical treatment signed by a parent or legal guardian. This must be presented to a doctor or hospital before securing medical treatment. This is your information to keep, but essential if a need were to arise.

15. Trained Buckhorn staff will supervise the following activities: archery, rock climbing, and low ropescourses. Participants of these activities must complete a liability release form before participating in the above listed activities.
16. The group leader acknowledges that activities or events at Buckhorn may involve a test of a person's physical and mental limits and may carry the potential for injury or loss. The risks may include but are not limited to those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, altitude, weather, condition of participants, equipment, vehicular traffic, actions of other people, and lack of hydration.
17. Please show appreciation and demonstrate good stewardship by avoiding damage to trees and trails. Dispose of all litter and trash in proper containers and help save energy by turning off lights and keeping doors and windows closed when heating or air conditioning is running.
18. Buckhorn is not responsible nor does our insurance cover loss or damage to personal property. Cars should be kept locked. Lost and found articles will be available for pickup up to six weeks following the group's departure.
19. The camp kitchen is for the use of Buckhorn employees. If you need assistance from the kitchen please ask your host.
20. Your group's host will check facilities used prior to departure. Damage beyond normal wear will be noted, and groups are expected to pay for any damage. Please notify your host if such damage does occur.
21. If a group finds it necessary (for program reasons) to have...
 - a. Gasoline, kerosene, or other flammable material, the director shall be notified prior to arrival. The materials will be stored in a covered, safe, and plainly labeled container and handled only by persons trained and/or experienced in their use
 - b. Hand or power tools must be provided with safety devices, used according to the manufacturer's instructions, maintained in good repair, and used by persons trained and/or experienced in their use. Prior permission by the camp director must be obtained.
22. Groups will be charged fees and costs for use of the facilities as outlined in the group's individual contract. If a group's size drops below the building minimum, the group will be charged for that minimum. Groups agree that the total number of participants using a facility will not exceed the facility's building maximum capacity at any time.
23. Before you leave you must turn in your final numbers (form will be supplied), and illness surveillance form (reporting anyone sick during your visit). We would also be very grateful if you would return an evaluation form with ideas of how we can improve.
24. In the event of a threatening, dangerous weather forecast, please contact the Buckhorn host 48 hours prior to the event. The host and group leader will together make a decision regarding the event. If a decision is made to cancel, the group can transfer to another date within 6 months. If a decision is made to hold the event as scheduled, the group's two week reported number will remain in effect.
25. Any group who chooses to bring and program arts and crafts activities for minors but only use approved child safe supplies. These must be marked with either: AP, CP, or ASTM-D4236 + saying non toxic.
26. Buckhorn regularly takes photos and shoots film and video on the site as a means to gather materials for promotional and production purposes. Accordingly, during the course of your stay, you and any of your guests may be photographed, filmed or videoed while participating in any of the site events or enjoying any of the site features. Therefore, every guest of Buckhorn Camp, by visiting, acknowledges and agrees that these photos, films and videos may be taken and used in Buckhorn's products and promotional materials. Please notify your guests of this agreement.
27. Group agrees to deliver payment in full to Buckhorn Camp within ten days after departure. Groups affirm that the person signing the Agreement has the authority to execute the Agreement on its behalf. This Agreement may be altered or amended only by written agreement on both parties.
28. Buckhorn may terminate this Agreement without any liability upon ten (10) days prior written notice to groups either 1) without cause or 2) upon a determination by Buckhorn, in its sole and exclusive judgment, that the requirements of the State Fire Marshall, the Department of Public Health and Safety or any statute, rule or regulation of any federal, state, or local body, imposes undue requirements or hardships on Buckhorn.
29. In the event of cancellation by groups, groups will be released from payment of the Guaranteed Minimum Fee provided Buckhorn receives written notice of the termination no later than 90 days prior to the event, or Buckhorn re-licenses the same facilities for the same period of time at the same fee. Buckhorn agrees to use its best efforts to re-license the facility in this event.

Refunds:

90 days or more = full refund • 60-89 days = ½ refund or a full group transfer to another date within 6 months

60 days or less = no refund **(NOTE: Given our time frame, this essentially means no refunds)**

Simpson UMC Retreat – September 8-10, 2017 – REGISTRATION FORM

(Please use one form for EACH participant)

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **\$30/Person** for Food & Room – Includes **All Meals and All Days**.
- + Extra **fees for paid activities**, please see list below
- **AGES 0-15: FREE** (please indicate any dietary needs or paid activities.)
- \$15/Person for a "Day Pass" for meals and free activities on Saturday (no lodging)
- If you wish to have **SPECIFIC PEOPLE IN YOUR COTTAGE**, **please list them** below.
- Each cottage has bunk beds and will sleep 6.
- Buckhorn will accommodate those with food allergies or special medical needs (please indicate below). Special Diet-by-Choice options are also available (Paleo, Vegan, Raw) but will be charged an extra \$2/Meal (\$8 total) added cost.
- **FOOD IS NOT ALLOWED IN CABIN.**
- Pay and register at this time for all paid activities

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Special Dietary or Lodging Requests: _____

List of people in your cottage:

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

5. _____ 6. _____

FREE Activities & Resources		PAID Activities (only time for one or two)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geocaching • Game Room • Gaga Pit • Human Foosball • Nine Square • Disc Golf • Fishing • Hiking • Camp Fire w/S'Mores • Orienteering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projector (VGA provided, for Mac bring own adapter) • Sound System • Culvert Slide (Similar to Alpine Slide - camp training required) • Slack Line (balancing on a loose rope with safety harness - camp training required) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Sluice Box (Pan for gold! \$3/person for 1 sluicing bucket, extra buckets \$2/ea) <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Team Building: \$10.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Team Building Course: \$4.50 (if led by our staff) <input type="checkbox"/> Archery: \$4.50 <input type="checkbox"/> Low Ropes Course: \$10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing: \$15.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing & Rappelling: \$20 (requires 1.5-2 hour sessions) <input type="checkbox"/> Paddle Boarding: \$12.50 (1-1.5 hour sessions, max number per group is 12)

Checks should be made payable to **Simpson UMC.**

Give to Pat Hayashi or mail to Pat at
10165 West Yale Place
Lakewood, CO 80227

Sub-Total Charges

One Adult Registration __ \$30 __ \$ _____
 OR Child Registration __ FREE! __ \$ _____
 OR "Day Pass" _____ \$15 __ \$ _____

Special Dietary Requirements (Added cost \$2/meal) _____ \$ _____
 Activity Fees (checked above) _____ \$ _____

TOTAL CHARGES _____ \$ _____

DEADLINE: SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2017