

2020 SUMMER SCHEDULE

Traditional Camp		Day Camp	
June 21-26	High School (Grades 9-Grad)	June 22-25	(Grades K-3)
June 28-July 3	3rd Junior (Grades 3-6)***	July 20-23	(Grades K-3)
July 12-17	1st Junior (Grades 3-6)	Aug 3-6	(Grades K-3)
July 19-24	Man week (Grades 6-9)	August 10-13	(Grades K-3)
July 26-31	2nd Junior (Grades 3-6)		
Aug 2-7	Jr. High Coed (Grades 6-8)		
Aug 9-14	All Girls Jr. High (Grades 6-9)		

Backpacking		Camp Promise Week	
July 6-19	Trail Camp (Grades 9-college)	July 7-10	Camp Promise Day Camp***
Aug 2-7	Jr High Girls BP (Grades 6-9)		
Aug 9-14	Jr Boys BP (Grades 5-7)		

***Please note our schedule changes. Due to COVID-19, we will be hosting one week of Camp Promise day camp. 3rd Junior has also been moved to replace the other week of Camp Promise.

Big Sky will be having camp this summer - register now at www.bigskybiblecamp.org

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BSBC NEWS

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MEET NAOMI WALLACE

Our newest staff member at BSBC is Naomi Wallace. Naomi will be the voice you hear on the phone and will be applying her talents to the Office Administrator role at camp. She is from the Salem, Oregon area, but has lived in South America and other locations with her missions-active family. Naomi has previously worked at a camp in Oregon and has also had some training at YWAM. Her heart is for discipleship and encouraging others to grow in their faith and relationship with God. Naomi started with us right before COVID-19 shut down many of the places in Montana. She is looking forward to camp and being able to meet the summer staff and work with the campers and families face to face. Naomi loves to be outdoors and is looking forward to exploring many of the trails in our area. She also enjoys games and anything active. We are certainly blessed to have her in the ministry here at BSBC.



COVID-19 CHANGES FOR CAMP 2020

- Daily health screens and temperatures under 100.4 for admittance to camp.
- Campers will only have access to their cabin bathroom.
- Payments should be made before arrival at camp.
- Closing Chapel will only be for campers this year.
- Campers will be primarily with cabin mates.
- BRING A LABELED WATER BOTTLE as water fountains will be closed.
- Equipment will be disinfected after each use
- ALL buildings will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected once per day; high touch surfaces will be done more frequently.

Big Sky's NEW PLAYGROUND

As the Big Sky staff kids can testify, there is a "partial" new playground on the premises of Big Sky. This includes the first platform of three to be built as well as a new



swing set. The first platform has a 10 foot enclosed slide, a five foot double slide and various climbing elements and platforms. The swing set has twelve foot swings which make for an enjoyable swing! Although COVID-19 has disrupted our plans a bit, we will continue to work at finishing this play set, hopefully by summer 2021!







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CAMP PROMISE UPDATE...

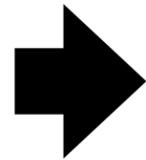
As with most of the world, the COVID-19 crisis has affected Camp Promise and the ministry that we have throughout the year. The Friday Night Out program in Kalispell and trips to other campers in Great Falls and Spokane were put on hold in March. We thought Camp Promise would not be able to happen at all this summer, but through God's grace and the governor's new regulations we can have a Day Camp Program. We are excited about this way to minister to a limited number of campers.

We still have many disappointed campers who cannot be a part of a day camp program, but we look forward to new ways to reach out to those campers and maintain those friendships. Lord willing, we will have rescheduled reunion parties for our campers in Great Falls, Missoula and Spokane, WA. We are also looking into starting a group for our friends with special needs in Columbia Falls on a monthly basis. We are excited about new opportunities that God gives us and look forward to making more friends in the community.

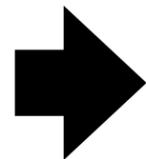
Please continue to pray for this ministry and the campers especially. Many of our campers will miss camp and be frustrated because they can not attend. Pray for peace and for new ways we can reach out to them and share the love of Christ. Pray also for camp (July 7-10) as we look forward to all God will do.

REACH DAY 2020...

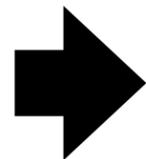
Reach Day is a 24 hour online giving event that BCM (Big Sky's parent organization) holds on an annual basis. During these 24 hours, BCM waives all administration fees of gifts that are given. A highlight was that over \$5,000 was given toward camper scholarships even amidst the effects of COVID-19. The staff at Big Sky would like to sincerely thank all those that gave. It is our desire to never turn away a camper from camp for financial reasons. Keep your eyes open for Reach Day 2021, to be held sometime in April of 2021.



Our desire at Big Sky is to never turn a camper away for financial reasons.



Big Sky awarded \$7,817 during 2019 in scholarships to allow kids to come to camp and we see that number increasing greatly for 2020.



Would you consider contributing to Big Sky's scholarship fund so that no campers will be turned away this summer? Donate online at www.bigskybiblecamp.org.

PRaise ITEMS:

- *That we are able to hold camp this summer!
- *For a full summer staff.
- *For the numerous godly speakers that are willing to come and minister at Big Sky this summer.
- *For the architects and engineers working on the "A Promise Kept" project, many of whom are donating part or all of their services.

PRayer ITEMS:

- *For wisdom and protection running camp this summer!
- *For the speakers throughout the summer as they prepare to teach God's Word.
- *For the Holy Spirit's work in each camper's heart that attends camp.
- *For orientation week and all of the training that will take place.

FROM THE DIRECTOR...

As I continue to receive reports of numerous camps closing for the entire summer, I am so thankful that God has allowed for Big Sky to run a majority of its programs this summer. As a staff, we labored heavily over this decision, but we feel that it is the right choice and we look forward to seeing the Lord use Big Sky once again in the lives of countless campers.

I am very grateful for the support base that Big Sky has both here in the Flathead Valley and beyond. I have been blessed by uncountable inquiries into the state of Big Sky and how we are doing with all of the quarantines and restrictions. While my answer has been abbreviated in the past, I plan on giving a full "report" here of the state of Big Sky. Let it first be said that we serve a big God who has watched over and provided for Big Sky since 1947.

Many folks who are interested in Big Sky aren't aware that we run a substantial guest group schedule beginning immediately after camp and running right up to start of camp the following year. This includes church groups, company picnics, Christmas dinners, etc. Retreats provide approximately 25% (over \$50,000) of Big Sky's income apart from donations. While we were able to have retreats in January and February, all other groups have cancelled beginning in mid-March all the way through June. We have also had numerous groups cancel for August or fall retreats as well. While this will not break Big Sky, it will probably bend us pretty hard. It remains to be seen what our summer camper numbers will look like. These numbers will largely determine how our books look after the summer. The staff have been prepared for possible reduced salaries and other measures to be sure and finish the year in the black.

Please join us in praying for God's provision for the deficits that Big Sky is experiencing, wisdom in deciding what is absolutely necessary for spending and that no salaries would have be reduced. Again, although these are somber things to write about, I do want to express how thankful we, as a staff, are to God for His provision and for the opportunity to host summer camp.



For more from the director, check out the director's blog at www.bigskybiblecamp.org

2020 SUMMER THEME:
THAT'S MY KING!

There are many things in our world that cause us to be anxious. Parents lose their jobs, switching schools, sickness and death, tension in the home, and friends who betray. These problems are real and can be very scary at times, but we often forget that in the midst of it all we have a God who reigns in complete control. Our God has always reigned, still reigns, and will reign eternally on His throne. When things seem chaotic in our life, they aren't to Him. His plan from eternity past has been to redeem and to restore creation through His Son, Jesus. Jesus, the true King, is coming to live with His people and will finally judge the sin and wickedness in the world so that His people might dwell with Him in a new world where there is no more sin. We have hope beyond the present sufferings in this world. Our desire is for each camper to go home with a greater confidence and love for our King, so that they might say at Jesus' return "That's my King!"