



February 12, 2019

Dear Parents & Students,

This year's Winter Retreat is shaping up to be another amazing weekend away! If you (or your son/daughter) isn't signed up yet, please do so ASAP. (Sign up at www.oneeightyone.org) This is a weekend they won't want to miss! It's also an important part of our discipleship process. Throughout the weekend we'll cover real-life relevant truths from God's Word, worship passionately, get away from the stress and distractions of life, closely connect with other Christians, and have tons of fun throughout. Here are some of the specifics.

Theme: "Eternity Wars"

Using our theme verse of Mark 12:30 we're going to be talking about what it means to and what it looks like to live out "love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength".

Dates, Times, Location, & Activities: We're getting away to **Stony Glen**, staying in warm comfortable cabins. Students should be dropped off at PHBC on **Friday, February 15th at 5:30 pm** and should be picked up on **Sunday, February 17th at 7:30 pm**. *(We've selected this weekend because it avoids most school exams, and allows for an extra day of makeup/rest on Monday, due to Presidents' Day.)* This retreat is always a favorite and a highlight for our students. The students enjoy plenty of supervised free time, great camp food, and extended time with friends. Activities may include sledding, hiking, gym time, talent show, group contests, and board/card games. The cost for the retreat is **\$119**. *(Checks should be made payable to Parma Heights Baptist Church. You can pay securely online at www.oneeightyone.org. Need-based financial aid/scholarships may be available. Contact me directly for more information.)*

Packing List: Space on the vehicles will be at a premium so we are allowing 1 bag per student plus bedding. Aside from the normal things a person should bring on any trip (toiletries, clothes, etc.), here are some additional items you should bring:

- ☐ Positive attitude, willingness to grow, and a desire to participate and interact with the group
- ☐ A signed Medical Release & Permission form and any unpaid fees, current for the 2018-2019 school year. Forms can be picked up at youth group, or at www.oneeightyone.org
- ☐ Bible, pen, paper/journal *(each student will receive a retreat notebook)*
- ☐ Water bottle

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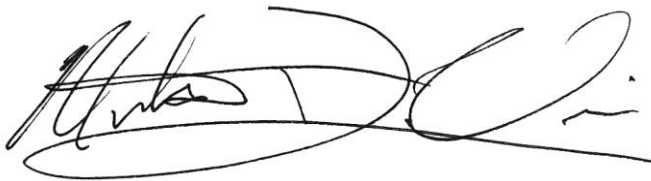
- ☐ Toiletries: tooth brush/paste, towel, shower stuff (*all students should take at least one shower on the trip*), deodorant, etc.
- ☐ Clothes: modest and warm. (*Plan for both indoor and outdoor activities. All students should have a hat, gloves, coat, boots, etc.*)
- ☐ A sleeping bag & pillow
- ☐ Optional: a small sled (*circular/disc-style are best*) for free time (*weather permitting*)
- ☐ Medications – medications must be indicated on the “Medical Release & Permission Form”
- ☐ Cell phones and tablets are permitted – as long as they’re used responsibly. Electronics are not to be used during chapel times or during lights out. Devices are not to be used to the exclusion of interacting with the group. Failing to abide by this may result in an adult confiscating the device for the remainder of the day.

Do Not Bring:

- ☐ Electronic and portable gaming systems (*Gameboys, PSP’s, Nintendo Switch etc.*)
- ☐ Any illegal substance including, but not limited to alcohol, cigarettes, knives, and fireworks
- ☐ Lightsabers, blasters, or TARDISes

I believe this weekend will be an epic adventure and will inspire our students to have a deeper walk with Christ. Please join me in praying to that end.

Prayerfully,



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