



# Camp Penue East

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Greeting From Camp Penue East

Our camp season is less than a month away, and we are so excited. We have been working hard to get everything ready for campers to arrive. We have hundreds of kids coming this season. That is a high responsibility for us to care for and share Jesus with everyone that will be in attendance. We feel that we are up to the task that God has set before us. We can't wait to share testimonies with all of our supporters when camp is over. God is going to change these kids and counselors lives in Jesus name.

We have a great matching offer for donations this season. Someone has generously offered to match up to \$3,600 dollars. We are so grateful, because we need about \$20,000 to be donated to fund our camp season. God is faithful and He has put this ministry on the hearts of a lot of great people and churches. Your generosity to help advance the Kingdom of God is amazing. By giving your resources you are providing an opportunity for a child to attend camp for free. We are a completely free camp because we don't want any child to miss out on this opportunity. We raise the money for all of the expenses by receiving donations from generous, caring people.

We believe in this ministry and we know that this is good ground to plant seed into. Kids are getting saved, healed and delivered by the power of God each week of camp. This is an important moment in the lives of these children. Think back to the moment when God reached into your life and saved you. Many of us would have had a life full of ruin and despair but God stepped in. God can step into our lives and change the very course of our lives in just a moment. When identity is released and we understand that we have a heavenly Father that loves us unconditionally, it changes everything. When we encounter Jesus for the first time He makes all things new. We would rather these kids have an encounter with God now while they are young and impact their life now. Think of many of the pitfalls that some of us have fallen into during our lives. So many of those could have been avoided if we had a relationship with Jesus guiding us through life from a younger age.

It is not too late to register campers for this season. If you have children between the ages of 7-11 or you know someone who does, have them go to our website [www.penueeast.org](http://www.penueeast.org) to get an application. We have all of the cities that are attending right on our home page. You can print a camper application and the mailing address is listed for each city. There is even an email address listed for each coordinator to answer any questions that you may have. We want to see this camp filled each week with kids that need Jesus. You can help us do that by spreading the word about camp.

We still have a lot of things on our needs list that we need to have donated. We have a lot of food items on our needs list that will be purchased if they are not donated. We sent out our needs list in our previous letter and if you need another copy it's on our website. There is a little button that says urgent message right on our homepage. You can print our current needs list from there. Thank you to everyone that helps meet these needs. You are a real blessing to this ministry and to us.

I want to share some personal thoughts with you. Every one of us goes through different seasons in our lives. We have all had seasons where we have had more than enough and we were blessed beyond measure. We have all had seasons where we had to go without and times were tough. I call this season the ramen noodle phase of life. You know exactly what I am talking about. Where you eat ramen noodles and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for every meal. We have all experienced different seasons in life.

We also experience different seasons in our walk with the Lord. There are seasons where everything is going right and we are full of joy. There are seasons where everything seems to be going all wrong and our life is falling to pieces. God never promised that life would be easy. In fact, He promised that we would have trials in this life. In the book of James it tells us that we should consider it pure joy whenever we face our trials. When our faith is tested it produces perseverance in us, and that helps to make us mature and complete. What is amazing about God is that we get ourselves into all sorts of messes, but He promises that He can work the situation out for the good of those who love Him.

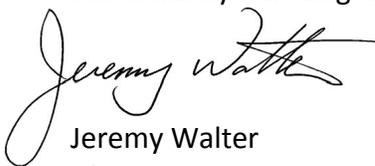
There are also seasons in our life where we feel like we are all alone. We feel like we are just talking to the ceiling and we're not sure if our prayers are getting through. I'm sure that I'm not the only one who has ever experienced a season of silence from the Lord. We know that He promises to never leave us or forsake us, but at times we feel like He's nowhere to be found. I believe that God lifts His presence from us from time to time to increase our hunger for more of Him. There are times in life where we get caught up in life and we get distracted from what really matters, and that's God. We are sometimes so busy working for God that we neglect spending time with God. There is a difference.

If you have ever gone through a season where God felt distant and silent then let me encourage you. He's not gone, but He's waiting for your hunger for His presence to draw you closer to Him. I recently went through one of these seasons, and God spoke something to me. When God stops speaking He starts forming. God spoke everything into existence and then He formed man in His image. Maybe if God is silent in your life because He is busy working on shaping you into His image. God may be diligently working behind the scenes of your life shaping you and forming you to look more like Jesus. I want to finish this letter with God's words to you found in Romans 8:29-30 from the version of The Message Bible. Be encouraged!

## Romans 8:29-30 (MSG)

29-30 God knew what he was doing from the very beginning. He decided from the outset to shape the lives of those who love him along the same lines as the life of his Son. The Son stands first in the line of humanity he restored. We see the original and intended shape of our lives there in him. After God made that decision of what his children should be like, he followed it up by calling people by name. After he called them by name, he set them on a solid basis with himself. And then, after getting them established, he stayed with them to the end, gloriously completing what he had begun.

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