



## Wilderness Canoe Base, Gunflint Trail, Minnesota - July 11 - 17

At the end of the Gunflint Trail, 54 miles northwest of Grand Marais, Minnesota, tucked away on two Seagull Lake islands is where you'll find Wilderness Canoe Base. Sitting on the border of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, our site provides access to over 2000 lakes that moose, black bear, eagle, loon, beaver, pine marten and walleye call home. A rare opportunity for silence and growth awaits.

Since 1956, WCB has been guiding youth and adults in small canoe groups into a relatively undisturbed part of God's creation, the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. In this remote wilderness things happen: faith grows, community builds, self-image is improved, and God is revered. Wilderness Canoe Base takes pride in providing highly trained and skilled guides for your Boundary Waters journey. These guides will work with your group in such areas as teamwork, Bible study, Leave No Trace camping, devotions, and of course paddling and portage skills.

After the devastation of the Ham Lake Fire in 2007 we have lots to rebuild and we need your help. This is a phenomenal chance to put your hand print on a ministry in a whole new way. Groups will be lead in morning devotions and evening faith conversations. During the day there will be lots of opportunities for service projects and work. You don't have to bring any of your own tools just an eager attitude, lots of energy and a heart to serve future generations who will come to these islands.

Our trip will include 2.5 days of rebuilding Wilderness Canoe Base and a 2.5 day canoe trip into the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.

Cost: \$350 + transportation and extra activities

**What will the total cost be?**

Depending on the number of youth that attend each mission trip we expect the total trip cost to be between \$450 and \$550.

**How many people can go on each trip?**

Each trip has a limited amount of space so sign up early. Red Lake and Thunder Bay each have 18 youth spots. Wilderness Canoe Base has space for 14 youth. If a trip has too few participants then you will have the option to transfer to another trip.

**Will there be fundraising opportunities?**

Yes, we will have a number of fundraisers that you may participate in between now and June. Check the website and youth bulletin board for more information.

**What happens to the money we raise during fundraisers?**

All the money you raise is kept in a personal youth account at Word of Peace for you to use for all youth events. The balance can be found on the website or by contacting Mari Reed.

**Where is the youth bulletin board?**

In the south entrance of the church building by the youth offices and youth room.

**What is the church's website address?**

[www.wordofpeace.org](http://www.wordofpeace.org) - click on the youth / high school tab.

**What are the deadlines for Mission Trips 2010?**

Deposit due (\$60) - February 10th

Half Balance due - April 11th

Full Balance due - June 6th

**If I sign up and then decide not to go what happens?**

First we will be very sad that you can't go. Next you will be responsible to pay the amount due to that point. Example: You decide not to go on April 15th, you are still responsible for paying half balance of the trip.

**What is transportation like for the trips?**

15 passenger vans will be driven to the locations by the adult chaperones

**Who can chaperone?**

Any adult over the age of 25 with a love for serving, youth and Jesus. (Chaperones must also complete a background check)

**Which trip is right for my youth (or me)?**

This summer we are offering a large variety of mission trips so that you will have a choice of what type of service project to participate in. Our recommendations are as follows: Red Lake, MN will be an intense experience perfect for people who have been on a previous mission trip or are a little older. Thunder Bay, Canada will be great for anyone especially those who have never participated in a mission trip or is a little younger. Wilderness Canoe Base will be perfect for anyone who is willing to work hard, get their hands dirty and spend some time in the wilderness. We encourage you to pray about which trip will be right for you. Please don't be afraid to stretch yourself and step outside of your box.

**Who can come on Word of Peace mission trips?**

Anyone and everyone is welcome whether you are a member of this church or not.

**What do you mean by extra activities?**

On each trip there will be a small extra expense specific to the locations of the trips. Each trip will likely have an extra \$10 added for an evening activity. Also, we are planning on a group event for those attending the mission trips on the 23rd of July to cap off a great experience. The cost for that will most likely be around \$50.

**How will I receive more information about the mission trips between now and when we leave?**

For the vast majority of communication we will be sending out information via email and Facebook. We will also have monthly meetings at the church to prepare for our experience. You are requested to be at the majority of the meetings so you can stay in the loop.

More questions or comments?

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