



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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Dear Families of Campers!

Camp is just around the corner and we want you to have some additional information about our trip with your kids. Enclosed in this letter, and in this packet, are a variety of informational pieces, **please read everything!**

We will be going to Happy Hollow Children's Camp in Nashville, IN. It's a wonderful facility and they have a full staff ready to work with us. I'm sure your camper will have a memorable time.

## **Arrival/Dismissal:**

You will be responsible for dropping your child off at camp and picking them up at the end of the week. Enclosed are directions, camp address, emergency contact number and a list of what to bring and what not to bring. Please review it with your camper.

Check-in time is Sunday, June 6 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. *Please wait until this time frame to arrive.* Staff will be stationed at various spots to direct you to the registration and cabin areas. If your child needs to arrive later than this time period, please let me know. **\*\*\*Please pack a sack dinner to bring with your child for Sunday dinner. ALSO, if you have a teen counselor or adult counselor coming from your family please pack them a sack dinner as well. We really appreciate it.\*\*\*** Parking is tight at this new facility, if you can carpool with another family that would be a good option.

On Friday, June 11, please arrive between 5:00-5:30 p.m. to pick up your child and their belongings and chat with your child's counselor on how the week went.

## **Cabin Requests:**

Each camper will be assigned to a cabin with other campers, at least 1 adult counselor and 2 High School teen counselors. We have made every effort to make sure that your child is in a cabin with at least 1 of their requested cabin mates, additionally they may be in a cabin with some new friends.

### **Financial/Forms:**

If you happen to still owe some of the camp cost, please pay the balance by June 4. Please make checks payable to Southport Presbyterian Church or you may go online to pay through our GIVE function. Select "Giving Fund" and "Other" and make sure you put "Kid's Camp 2021 & (Camper Name)" so your account will be credited properly. If you need to make arrangements for payment plans or scholarship assistance, please contact me as soon as possible. If your child still needs to turn in their health forms, liability form or camper profile sheet please do that as soon as possible.

### **Medications/Nurse:**

If your child has, and needs, to take medication during the week, please see our camp nurse at the time of check-in. They will be available at the registration area. Please label all medication with your child's name and appropriate dosage. If your child is on any P.R.N. medications, i.e. inhalers, please send those with them. Make sure that the health form is up to date with any allergy or special needs concerns. We ask that children taking medications regularly continue to take them during camp. Camp is not the proper time to take kids off medications. If you need to talk to one of our nurses regarding health concerns prior to camp, please contact us and we will have them contact you.

### **Homesickness:**

One of the major concerns we deal with at Kid's Camp is that your child may miss home. This happens to all of us, including adults. However, only a few children will actually admit that they are missing home. Most of our campers will be fine; however, we have some who struggle with it more than others. Some who have had the worst bout of it usually are the first ones to apply to camp the next year!

If you are concerned that your child may miss home more than normal, please take into consideration some of these suggestions:

- Pray for your child.
- Send a letter(s) to your child during the week.
- Practice separations, such as sleepovers at grandparents or a friend's house.
- Encourage your child to stay at camp. Their days will be busy and full of great times.
- Talk candidly with your child's cabin counselor before you leave.

We encourage you to write at least 1 letter to your child while they are at camp. A good

idea is to try and plan ahead and have a letter in the mail so that it will arrive to them by Monday, what a great surprise for them as they start their week with us. OR Please feel free to write a letter or card for everyday and give it to us when you check in your child and we will be sure to give it to them throughout the week. The camp address is enclosed with this packet.

**Photos:**

Stay connected with our SHUTTERFLY Share Site: <https://kidscamp2021.shutterfly.com>. We will post camp pictures on this site for you to enjoy. This site does require an account to log-in and view pictures.

We take pictures, short videos of the adventures at camp for Southport Pres purposes only. If this is not okay with you, please email me at [mdavis@southportpres.org](mailto:mdavis@southportpres.org) and let me know. We want to respect your wishes.

**We invite all of our families to attend our 11:00 worship service on Sunday, June 13.** Wear your camp t-shirts and check the lost and found for items left behind at camp.

Finally, on behalf of the whole camp staff, we thank you for allowing us the opportunity to share in your child's spiritual growth. Feel free to contact any one of us with any questions or concerns.

*Melissa Davis*

Director of Children's Ministries

**Mailing address for letters:**

Happy Hollow Camp  
(Camper name) Southport Pres Kids Camp  
3049 Happy Hollow Rd.  
Nashville, IN 47448

**Emergency phone:** (317) 370-6911 Melissa Davis (call or text)

## Kids Camp: What to Bring

**Label** all items with your child's name:

- Bible
- Pencil/Pen
- At least 5 masks
- Carabineer to secure mask on backpack or water bottle
- Back pack
- Paper, envelopes and stamps for writing letters home
- Sleeping bag or sheet, blanket and pillow
- Personal hygiene items (soap, shampoo, towels, toothpaste, toothbrush)
- One-piece bathing suit and beach towel
- Sunscreen & mosquito repellent
- Baseball cap or hat
- Sportswear-type clothing for 6 days
- Long pants- (necessary for cool nights and required for horseback riding)
- Sweatshirt and jacket
- Rain gear
- Two pairs of shoes (+ shoes for the shower)
- Laundry bag
- Flashlight and batteries
- Water bottle
- You can bring a board game if you like (no electronic games)
- Favorite stuffed animal or pictures of family
- Shower caddy
- Tape style lint brush
  - \*To lightly brush over clothing before entering cabins to remove debris or small bugs
  - **\*Don't forget your sack lunch for Sunday dinner**

Please do NOT send:

- \* Candy or food, we will provide all meals and snacks
- \* Flip-flops (only for shower use), sandals w/out back straps, backless shoes
- \* Radios, cell phones, iPod's or other gaming devices
- \* Money
- \* Water balloons, water guns, shaving cream, etc.
- \* Pocket knives, lighters, firecrackers, etc.

### **DIRECTIONS TO HAPPY HOLLOW CAMP**

*We will have signage on IN-46 directing you to the campground*

Take I-65 SOUTH to Exit # 68. This is next exit south of the Edinburgh Outlet Mall.  
(This is the last gas, food and shopping on your way to camp.)

Go WEST on IN-46 for 6.4 miles.

- Watch your odometer for 6.4 miles. There are several turns with the same name.

Turn LEFT (SOUTH) onto Old Nashville Rd. Old Nashville Rd curves right and becomes 4 Mile Ridge Rd.

- Stay on this road for 0.8 miles

Turn LEFT onto Harrison Ridge Rd.

- Stay on this for 1.7 miles

Turn LEFT to remain on Harrison Ridge Rd.

- Stay on this for another 1.6 miles

Turn RIGHT onto W. Bellsville Pike

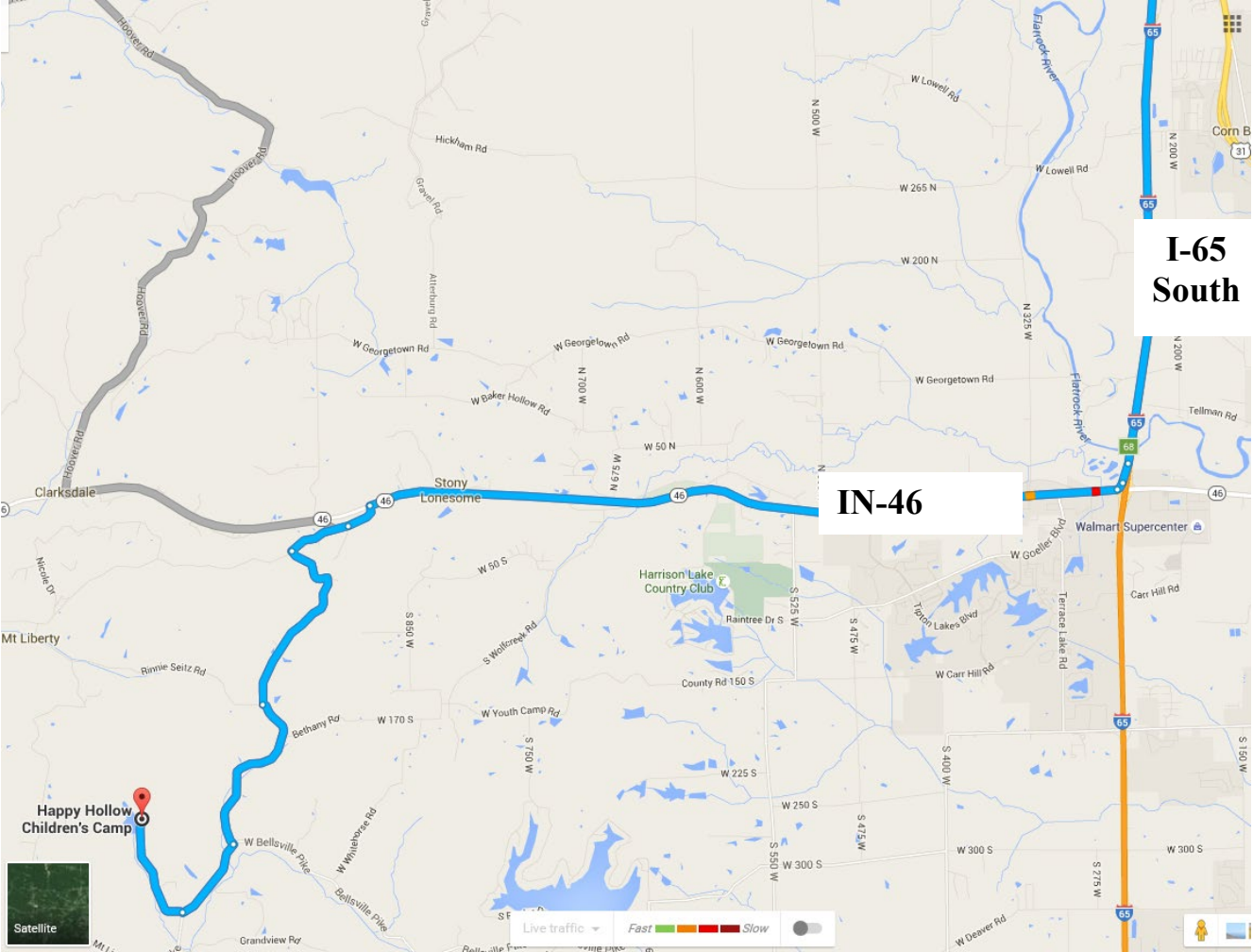
- Stay on this for 0.7 miles

Turn RIGHT onto Happy Hollow Rd – you will be directed into the camp from there.

Driving Address: 3049 Happy Hollow Rd  
Nashville, IN 47448

GPS Coordinates: 39° 09' 06" North  
86° 06' 27" West

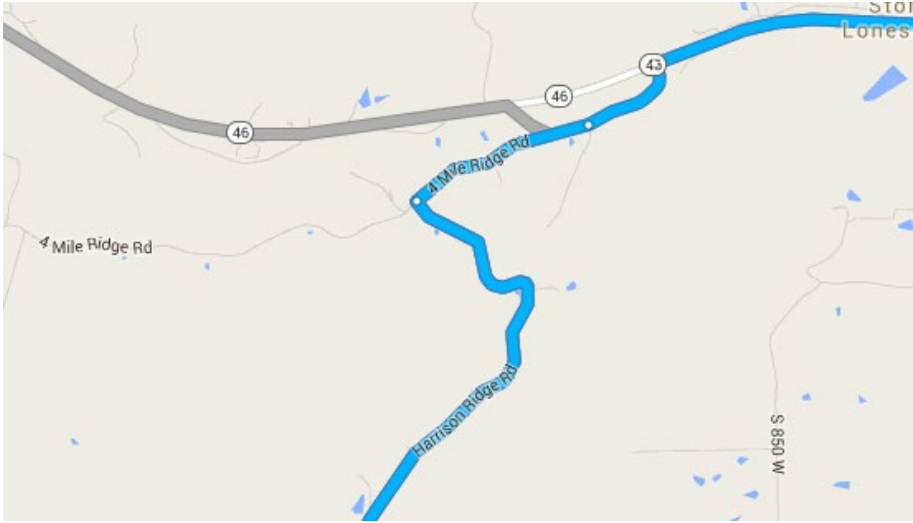
For the Map Savvy



I-65 South

IN-46

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4 Mile Ridge Rd  
&  
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Harrison Ridge Rd



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Harrison Ridge Rd**

**RIGHT onto Bellsville Pike**

**RIGHT onto Happy Hollow Rd**

