

Summer is HERE!

2007 OVERLOOK OVERVIEW



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Remembering

Louise Ritchie

1918-2007

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us... Hebrews 12:1

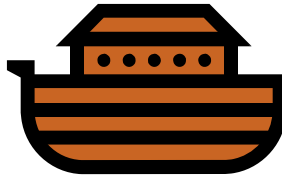
The Saints of old have inspired us to keep the faith, to focus our lives on God. We find encouragement through their stories and strength to continue the race.

There are Saints of our time that set the example and encourage us to run the good race as well. Louise and Carl Ritchie are among a dedicated crowd of such witnesses that have touched our lives and will continue to touch our lives through ministry they have initiated at Camp Overlook. We praise God for their lives and their faithful witness.

Thank you to all who have remembered Louise through special gifts to the Wrenn Endowment Fund for Camp Overlook's future.

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Don't Miss the Boat...



...or the Ark! We are approaching the final few weeks before summer camp begins. If you have not registered you may be missing an opportunity to explore the Old Testament in exciting, adventure-filled ways! Our campers will fight Goliath, be victorious at the Battle of Jericho, build their own Tower of Babel, experience the plagues that God poured out on Egypt, "wonder in the wilderness", receive the 10 commandments, and, YES, we have Noah's Ark!

Several programs are already full for particular weeks. Contact the camp office now to get a registration form or print one from our website: www.campoverlook.org You may find it helpful to call the camp office to inquire if your desired program and week is still available BEFORE mailing or faxing your registration to the office.

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All God's Children Camp

This September, roughly 30 children of incarcerated parents will come to Camp Overlook for a weekend of fun and sharing God's love. Throughout the event these children will experience the undivided attention of nurturing mentors, learn coping skills to handle the mixed emotions they often feel as a result of their family's situation, be showered with gifts of love, and just have fun with other children who understand what it is like to have a parent in prison.

These children are asked to arrive at the event with only the clothes they need for the weekend. Sleeping bags, pillows, towels and washcloths, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hairbrushes and much more is donated by generous groups and individuals. The families of these children are only asked to pay \$5 to send their child to the camp. The remaining \$135 registration fee is yet another gift from donors.



If you would like to help make this opportunity possible for these children through a donation or by serving as an energetic mentor, please contact the camp office by phone or email: 540-269-2267 / OverlookUM@aol.com

Single Again?

Have the circumstances of life returned you to singleness, perhaps through separation, divorce, or death? Are you still searching for answers, struggling with the pain and longing for peace? Are you dreading the holidays or know someone who is?

Plan now to join us for a special time apart with other singles as we explore the trials, the hurts, the loneliness of being single again, and search for the road that leads to healing and wholeness.

"Single Again" will be hosted, November 30—December 2, 2007, at the Blessings Lodge. Nestled on the side of Massanutten Mountain, it overlooks the Shenandoah Valley and reminds one of God's creative, sustaining presence. Participants will stay in semi-private rooms with private showers. All linens are provided. Three meals on Saturday and two on Sunday are served.

Check in for "Single Again" will be at 6:30 PM on Friday and the retreat will close at 3:00 PM on Sunday. The registration fee, including all meals and lodging, is \$135.00. Some financial aid is available.

If you, or someone you know, would like to attend this powerful weekend, contact the camp office for registration information.

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New Member of the Camp Family!



Camp Overlook is pleased to welcome Ruth Shrader to our staff. Ruth is serving in the office as our secretary/registrar. She is looking forward to speaking with you as you call the office with questions about camper registrations, facility rentals, or other needs. Stop in to introduce yourself if you will be here on a retreat!

Unleashing Prayer in the Hurting Church

This sequel to the "Healing Prayer" retreats will focus on how to pray for the hurting church and its congregation. It will include presentations on unleashing prayer with power and enthusiasm, scripture based small groups centered on prayer, and will conclude with a healing service. There will be time to explore how the power of prayer can bring changes, healing and restoration.

"Unleashing Prayer" will be held in the beautiful Blessings Lodge at Camp Overlook. The retreat begins on Friday, **August 24** at 6:00 pm and concludes on Saturday, **August 25** at 8:30 pm. The cost is \$90 and includes lodging, meals, and program fees. Please bring your Bible, a journal or notebook, and a sweater.

Participants will be registered on a first-come, first-served basis. The registration deadline is August 11, 2007. Please contact Dixie Miller at 540-833-1439 for more details.

| Calendar of Faith Events | |
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| Young at Heart Days | June |
| Friends Together | June |
| Summer Camp | June-July |
| Day Camp | July |
| Unleashing Prayer | August |
| All God's Children | September |
| Single Again | December |
| Walk to the Manger | December |

His Hands and Feet...

Camp has several opportunities for individuals and groups to serve God through their service to our

*Volunteer nurses are still needed for four of the six weeks of summer camp. Children of volunteer nurses attend camp for free.

*Volunteer counselors are needed for all six weeks of camp to serve alongside our staff as we share the Old Testament scriptures with our campers. Children of volunteer counselors attend camp for 50% off.

*The Otterbein Room at Blessings Lodge is in need of a fresh coat of paint.

*Dead branches and other natural debris needs to be cleared from numerous locations on camp.

If you are interested in tackling any of these projects, please contact the camp office.

Thank You!

There are a host of things that would never happen at Camp Overlook were it not for generous, supporting individuals and groups.

Anonymous
 Forrest & Betty Arehart
 Nancy Bolton
 Dale and Mary Borrer
 Michael and Rebecca Breeding
 Jack and Alice Coffelt
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 Thelma Phillips
 Frank and Betty Pryor
 Robert and Lucy Pryor
 Paige Purdham
 Jack and Diane Robey
 William and Juanita Robey
 Dick Strawderman
 Carson and Betty Stroop
 Floyd and Mary Jane Tester
 Donna and Richard Tinsley
 Mt. Herman UMC
 Otterbein UMC Adult Class
 Wesley Chapel UMC
 Evangelical UMM
 Harrisonburg District UMM
 Mt. Solon UMM
 Reliance UMM
 Round Hill UMM
 St. John's UMM
 Woodstock UMM
 Greenwood UMW
 New Hope UMW
 St. John's UMW—Staunton
 Luray UMW—circle #4
 Gretchen Varner
 Davis and Doris Whetzel
 William and Cathy Whittle

WANTED: Counselors in Training

Camp Overlook still needs youth completing their junior or senior year of high school to serve as counselors to our day campers. Interested youth can contact the camp office to request an application. Training for this program is the last week of June. The day camp program runs for the four full week of July. Some work may be available in August.