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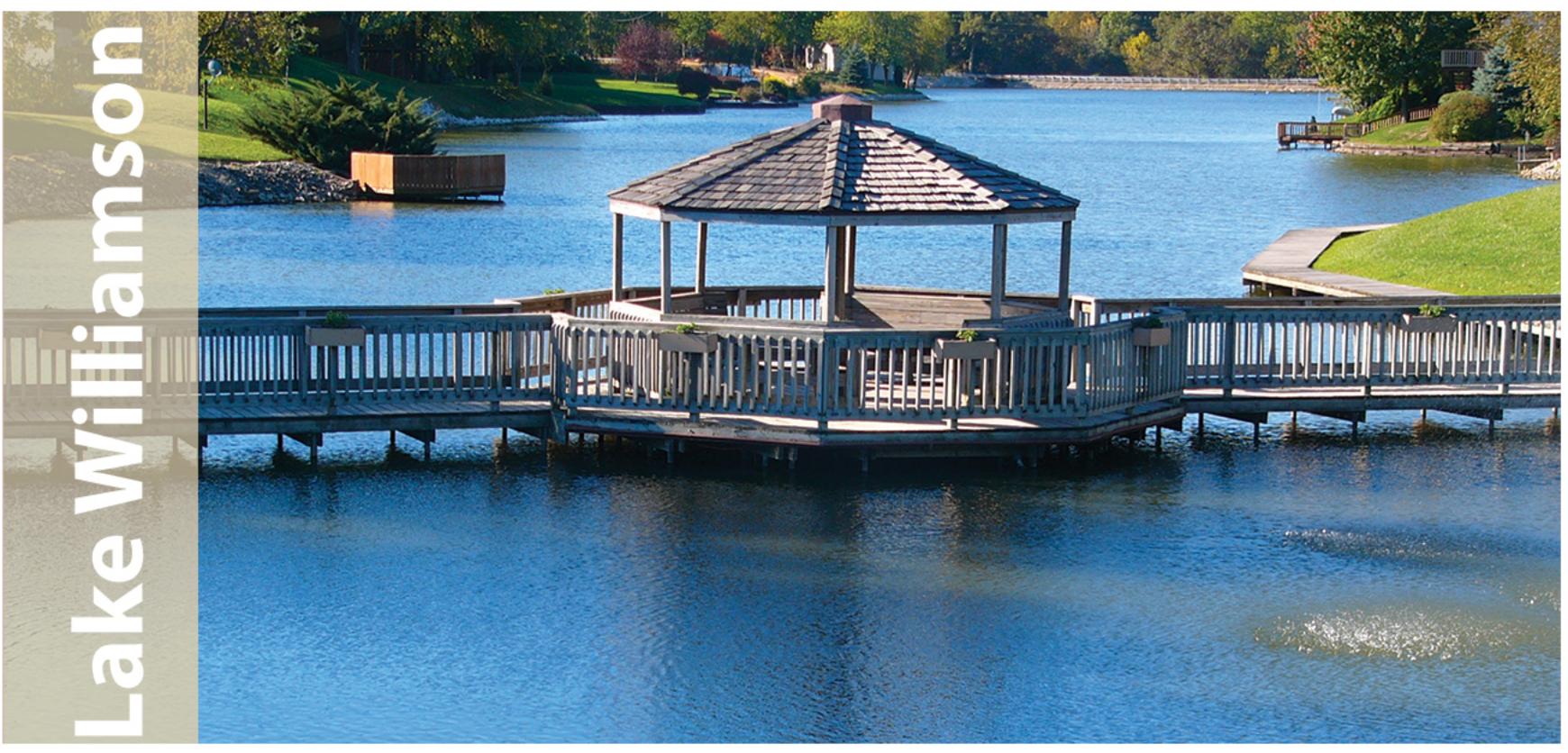
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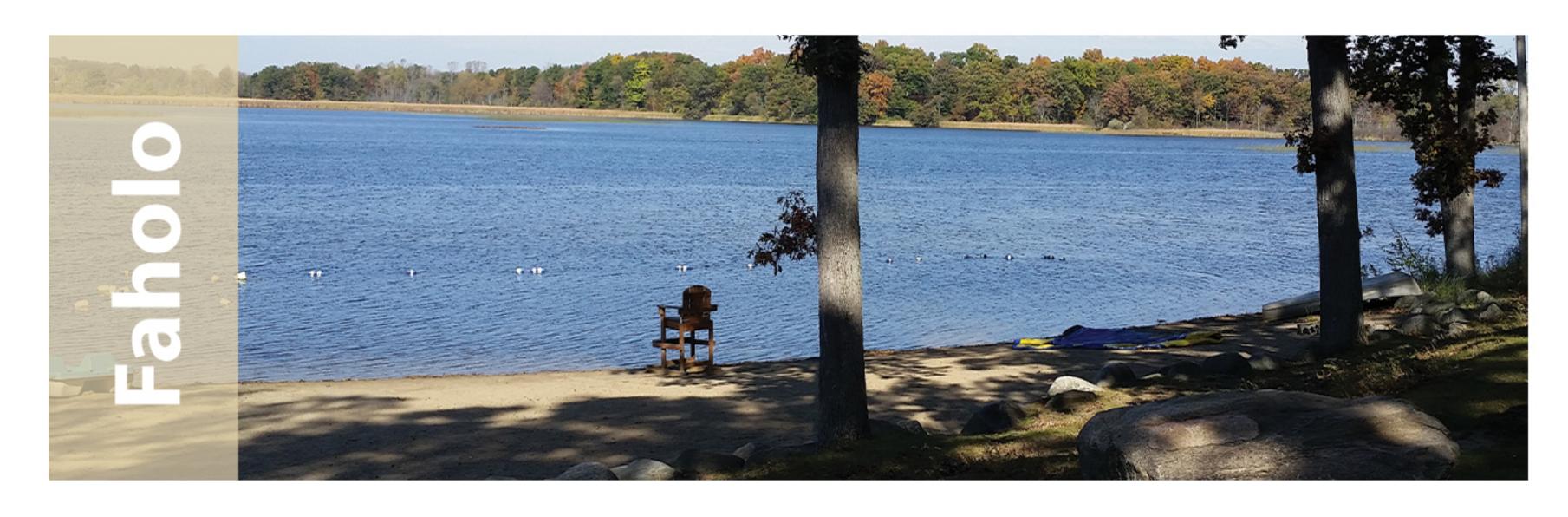
HOW TO BUILD THE BEST

With summer camp starting in the next few weeks it is time to start preparing. Who cares what you need to pack? Think about all those long hot days and the refreshing water of the camp lake! You need the winning cardboard boat for this year's regatta!



Materials:

- yard stick
- wood glue
- clamps



Steps:

pencil for marking corrugated cardboard

- latex paint
- water-resistant tape
- box cutter
- paint rollers

1. Gather all of your materials

2. Using your pencil, mark the cut and fold lines on the cardboard.

3. Glue the pieces together with wood glue and clamp them together until dry.

CARDBOARD BOAT FOR SUMMER CAMP

- 4. Cover the seams with the waterresistant tape, on the inside and out to make sure it is water tight.
- 5. Paint the entire boat, it helps seal and protect the cardboard.
- 6. Let it dry, then finish decorating.

Tips:

- use large, untampered sheets of cardboard for the strongest material
- give the boat a flat bottom so that it is less likely to tip over
- measure twice, cut once
- use at lease 2 layers of cardboard for the sides and at least 3 for the bottom
- don't make the sides too tall that you will have trouble rowing



- give the vessel extra support by putting one or two pieces of cardboard through the middle, fitting them into notches on the boat sides and gluing
- to keep from tipping, sit in the boat, don't stand or kneel
- don't forget the oars to row with
- wear a life jacket!



Venue:

But first, you need the right venue! Christian Retreats Network has 5 properties with lakes that are made for hosting summer camps. Give us a call at 877-833-2272 to learn more about our all-inclusive retreat packages and start planning.



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Black Hills, SD



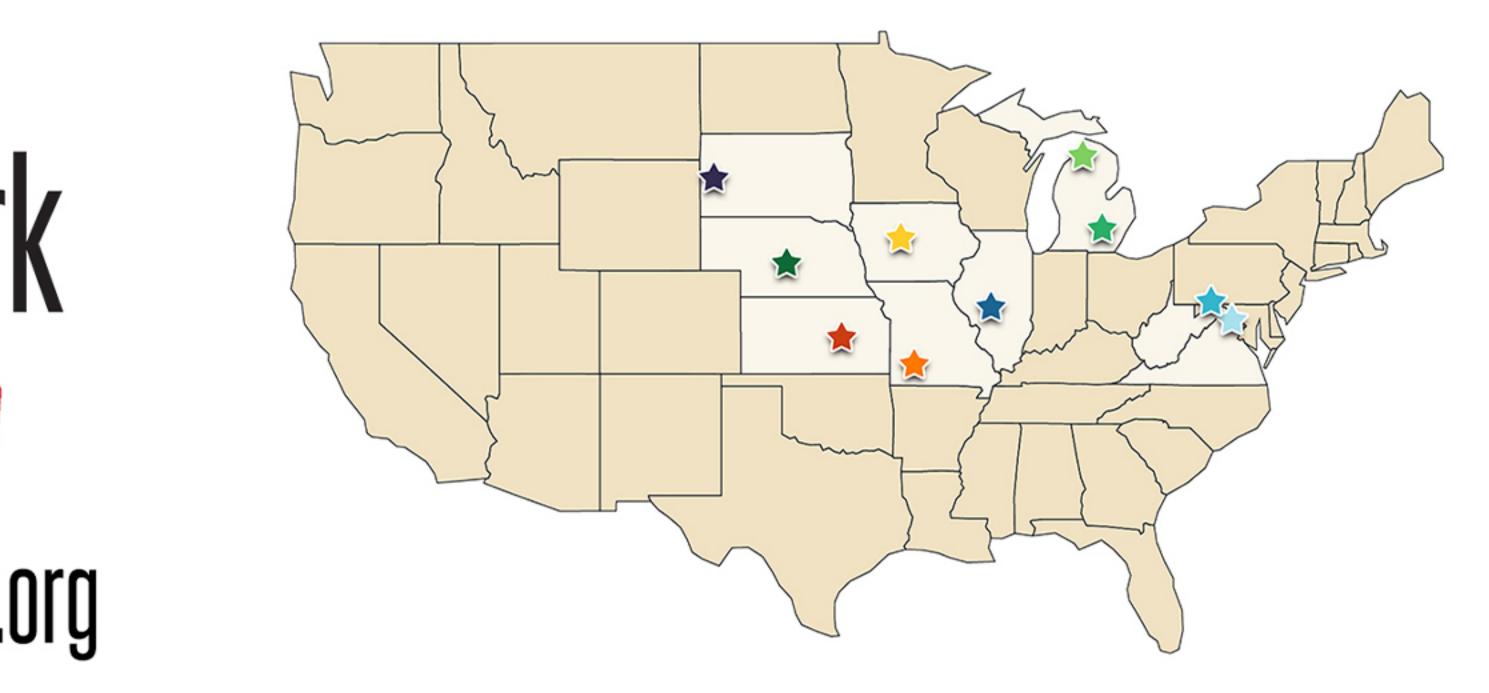
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From the Black Hills to the Des Moines River Valley to the Ozark and Appalachian Mountains, Christian Retreats Network has 10 scenic retreat centers for a unique event experience. All-inclusive packages are offered in a Christ-centered atmosphere, where your group can get away from the day-to-day distractions and get closer to God.



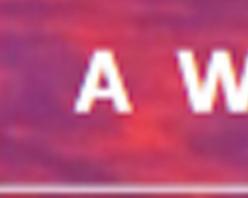
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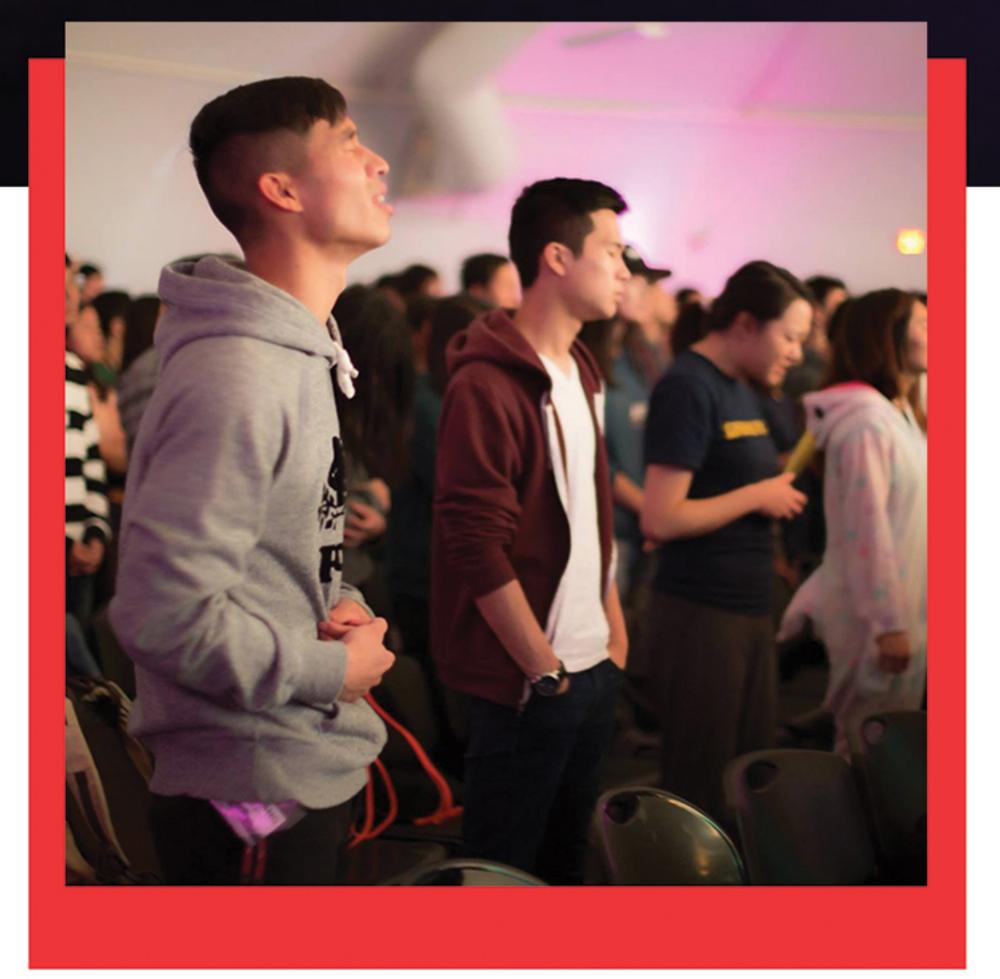
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largest spaces in the Grandview Conference Center, accommodating 10-1,000 attendees. Ideal for sizable, interactive conferences, The Grandview Ballroom fits up to 1,000 attendees in the 10,794 square-foot room. And for large, formal presentations, The Lakeview Rooms seat up to 285 attendees in the 3,162 square-foot room, and it can be split into three smaller rooms,

The Business Lounge, Table Rock Boardroom, the Osage Room, and the Dogwood Boardroom in the Grandview Conference Center are suitable for smaller functions, containing 195-1,346 square-feet of private meeting space and seating 8-78 attendees.

Other notable private event spaces within the Big Cedar property 4,765 square-foot Stables at Integrity Hills, the Bass Pro Shops Shooting Academy seating up to 600 meeting attendees, and the Wine Cellar Event Room seating up to 100 people.

Wilderness Company Teambuilding

In addition to a diverse selection of meeting and event space, Big Cedar is abundant in outdoor teambuilding activities. This is where attendees can really appreciate the extensive beauty of the Ozark Mountains.

From paint and pour, to scavenger hunts, Ozark Olympics, Lawn and Stretch Breaks, Big Cedar Buck Off, and more, these group teambuilding activities are just a few of the many possibilities companies can plan on incorporating into their upcoming meeting or event at this wilderness resort.

Plan at Big Cedar

Many organizations have had successful company meetings at Big Cedar. Steven R. Phillip Jr., President of Coatings Unlimited, Inc., is one example, stating, "Our group had a great experience hosting our conference at Big Cedar Lodge in September... Several of our members even commented that this was one of the best venues they have experienced. And we



have been meeting twice per year for six decades in a row." Sounds like it is time for your group to meet and retreat at Big Cedar.

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Create that life-changing moment for your youth!



Churches are recently seeing the benefits of planning an off-site retreat. But if the venue is not Christ-centered, they can often feel like they are pushing a square peg into a round hole.

We invite you to take a tour of our 10 properties and see what your retreat would look like at our venue. Restore with a youth conference, reconnect at a women's event, or renew with a leadership retreat.

Our all-inclusive packages make planning simple and affordable by bundling everything you need for a successful event:

lodging, meeting, diving, and recreation.







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We are ready for this to be over, too.

Our summers really aren't the same without you. We look forward to serving guests again once the time is right. Until then, stay safe and God bless.

It's not too early to start thinking about what you will do when we make it through this. Send us your idea and we can start helping you plan. No commitment required.





Fun for Fall

Fall is our most popular time for men's and women's retreats. With kids back in school, send the adults out for some fun. Bonfires, s'mores, hayrides and more are in store during a fall retreat at Lake Williamson.

Wondering about Winter?



A common misconception is that you can't hold events in winter (unless they are Christmas parties). So NOT true! Lake Williamson is open year round. With tons of indoor recreation options, heated lodging, and multiple meeting rooms, we help make winter wonderful.



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