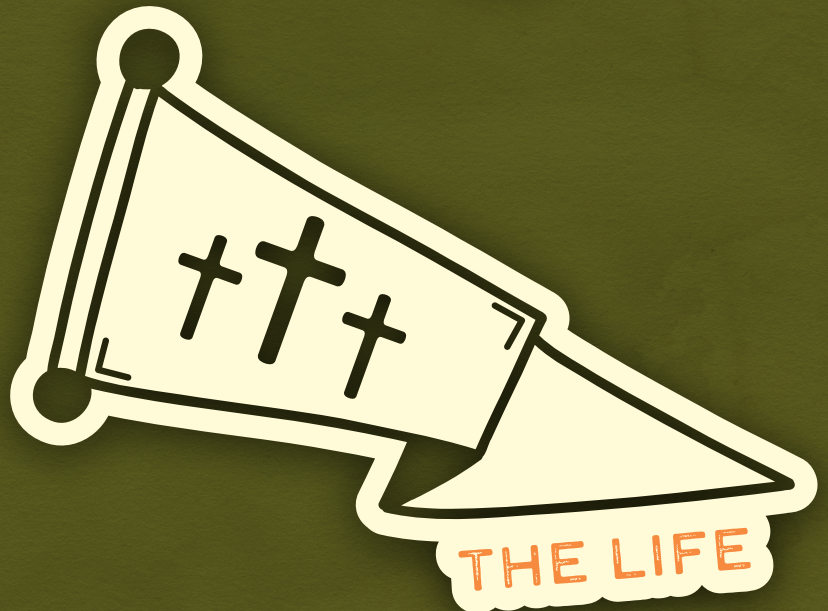


CrossTimbers

CHILDREN'S MISSION ADVENTURE CAMP

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HELLO CHILDREN'S MINISTERS AND LEADERS!

We are excited to welcome you to CrossTimbers! Our unique programming is sure to make this an incredible encounter with God. This is going to be one of the most memorable times in your life and in the lives of your children. Some children may come to know the love and forgiveness of Christ for the very first time while others realize their need to rely on Him every day. A few may even hear God's call to serve Him with their lives.

CrossTimbers is a beautiful place to worship the Lord, filled with all kinds of hands-on missions education and fun camp activities. There are great scenic areas and venues for kids to experience nature and take risks as they explore new challenges and activities.

Of course, CrossTimbers is most defined by the relationships we build with campers and sponsors. Our staff of young adult summer missionaries are devoted to sharing their lives, and how God has impacted them with every camper. CrossTimbers is about meeting God in a personal way. Every part of our camp experience is designed to bring your children closer to God than ever before.

PRAYING FOR YOU!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

CROSTIMBERS BAPTIST CAMP

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OUR MISSION

CrossTimbers Children's Mission Adventure Camp exists to support local church efforts to reach lost children in their communities and to raise up a generation of kids with an authentic walk with God who actively serve others with missional living.

CORE VALUES

1. Learn biblical principles for worship, missions, evangelism, and life.
2. Create and strengthen relationships with God, family, and others.
3. Experience nature in a fun and safe environment.

The Camp is designed to offer four days of intentional spiritual investment in the child's life.

Day 1: Camp Theme

Day 2: Evangelism

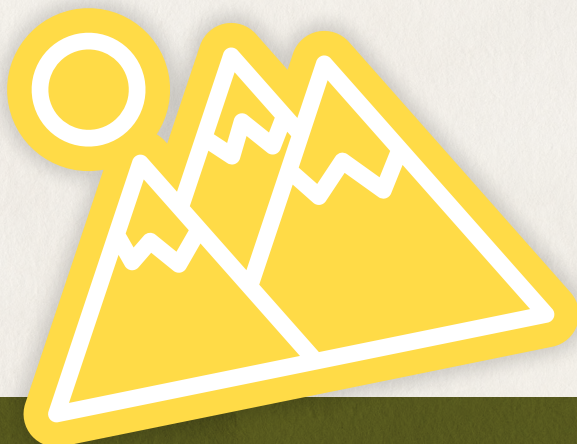
Day 3: Instruction from the World

Day 4: Challenge to Serve Daily

CrossTimbers is a camp focused on reaching and equipping children. Throughout the week of camp there is a high priority on Scripture, worship, and relationships with camp staff and church sponsors. There will be opportunities for kids and sponsors to sharpen their skills and prepare to consistently serve God after camp.

CrossTimbers Camp is supported by Oklahoma Baptists gifts through the Cooperative Program.

Thank you, Oklahoma Baptists, for challenging kids to know Christ by giving to the Cooperative Program.



REGISTRATION PROCESS

THERE ARE 5 ELEMENTS TO THE REGISTRATION PROCESS OF CAMP:

1. Camp Reservations
2. Sponsor Enlistment
3. Camper Safety Protocols
4. Individual Registration and Waiver Completion
5. Arrival and Camp Check-In

1. CAMP RESERVATIONS

Registration opens on the first Monday of November at 8am. Slots fill up quickly, so it is best to be online early.

To register your group:

- Visit the website (oklahomabaptists.org/crosstimbers).
- Scroll down and click the "Session Registration" image.
- Click "Register" to begin the registration process.
- Please read all instructions carefully before beginning the registration process.

1. Fill in the Lead Sponsor information. The lead sponsor is the children's minister or children's ministry leader who is bringing children to camp and **will be at camp for the duration of the camp session.**

2. Create a user password. Keep this password in a safe place. You will use it to access your church dashboard in the future.

3. Fill in the Church Contact information. This is a required second point of contact and preferably someone on staff.

4. Find your church by searching by Church City first. For Non-Oklahoma Baptist Affiliated churches, select "-Other" and enter your church name and city in the fields that appear.

5. Select your session and date from the list and submit the total number of beds. You can only register for one session.

6. You will be asked to acknowledge that your registration is not finalized until you have read, signed, and returned the Registration Agreement that you will receive by email and paid your deposit amount.

7. You will immediately receive a confirmation email with important camp information after registration.

8. Within two or three weeks, you will receive a follow-up email containing the Registration Agreement, your official invoice, and the deposit amount due. All deposits and final payments MUST be paid by check and mailed to our office.

9. Once you receive your invoice, you will have until January 31 to return your deposit (\$30.00 per bed) to our office to hold your beds.

Bed Cost: \$165/bed for Oklahoma Baptist affiliated churches (\$225/bed for non-affiliated churches)

After the initial reservation of beds, you may reduce the number of beds reserved by "returning" beds to CrossTimbers.

Email crosstimbers@oklahomabaptists.org to reduce your number of beds. A new invoice will be sent to you. The deposit from "returned" beds will be applied to your balance. The final day to return beds is March 31. Final payments will be due May 1.

2. SPONSOR ENLISTMENT

- As sponsors are recruited, their information can be submitted to CrossTimbers by completing the Sponsor Form on the church dashboard.

- Sponsor information should be submitted as soon as possible to allow time for the camper safety protocols to be followed.

3. CAMPER SAFETY PROTOCOLS

CrossTimbers Children's Camp REQUIRES that each church perform criminal background and sex offender checks on all sponsors attending with their group. Background checks must include a National Criminal database check, a **National Registry of Sex Offenders check, a County and/or State Criminal Court search, and a Social Security trace/verification.** Background checks must be run through one of our five required service providers. See the Camper Safety Guide for a list of these providers.

Oklahoma Baptists defines a current background check as no more than 18 months old from the date of your camp session. Churches must complete the Background Check Statement of Compliance which the pastor or church administrator must sign. Background checks are run by service providers on behalf of the churches. The church will be responsible for the information contained in the reports and will maintain the privacy of those reports.

Please refer to the Camper Safety Guide in the Church Guide or visit our website, www.oklahomabaptists.org/crosstimbers, for specific instructions concerning valid background checks.

Ministry Safe Trainings

- The Lead Sponsor will receive a welcome email from Ministry Safe allowing you to create a password for your user profile. Use your login information to access your portal. If a Lead Sponsor is returning as the Lead Sponsor with the same church as the previous year, he/she may use the same Ministry Safe login information established when their profile was created. If you need help with this, contact the CrossTimbers program office.
- After April 1, the Lead Sponsor will be sent a link to complete Ministry Safe's Sexual Abuse Awareness Training-Camp version. This must be completed by the Lead Sponsor each year.
- Once we receive confirmation from Ministry Safe that the Lead Sponsor has completed this training by completing the quiz with at least 90% accuracy, sponsor information from the church dashboard will be used by the CrossTimbers Program Office to add all sponsors to Ministry Safe and tagged with your church and session information.
- An email will be sent to the Lead Sponsor to notify them that all sponsors have been entered into Ministry Safe and Peer-to-Peer trainings have been sent.
- The lead sponsor and one other adult leader (opposite gender of the Lead Sponsor) must complete Peer-to-Peer training. This training must be completed before arrival at camp. (Note: Churches are encouraged to have as many adult leaders as possible complete the Peer-to-Peer training, but it is required for the Lead Sponsor and one sponsor of the opposite gender.)

4. INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION AND WAIVER COMPLETION

- You will receive an email with a link to our digital waiver form. The link should be given to every camper and sponsor who will be attending camp and must be completed at least 96 hours before your camp session begins.
- All participants attending CrossTimbers must have a completed digital waiver form to participate and stay on campus.
- The Lead Sponsor will also receive a link for your individual church's registration dashboard. This will allow you to view those who have registered and view/download their waiver form.
- Please remember that all churches must maintain a 5:1 camper/sponsor ratio of the same gender at camp. In addition to this rule, there must be at least two sponsors of the same gender per dorm room, which sleeps 12 total.

Digital Background Checks

- Prior to on-site registration, churches will be asked to upload digital versions of background checks to the Ministry Safe platform. This must be completed **at least TWO weeks before arriving at camp.** These need to be PDF files.
- When the Lead Sponsor logs into his/her Ministry Safe profile, the adult leaders associated with your church group should be visible.
- Click the "Edit User" icon (paper and pencil) next to each adult leader's name.
- Scroll down to the Attachment section and click "Add Attachment." **All background checks should be redacted so that only the last four digits of the social security number and the date and month of the birth-date are visible.**
 - Upload their background check report.
 - Scroll up to click the checkbox "External BG Check completed."
 - Scroll down and click "Save!"
 - Repeat this process for all sponsors in your group.
 - If you have a last-minute sponsor change, you can send background checks to our office by email prior to arrival.



Bed Confirmation Process:

- A final headcount form must be filled out and emailed to crosstimbers@oklahomabaptists.org at least 96 hours before your camp session begins.
- Once all Final Headcount Forms for a session are received, color group and dorm assignments can be made.
- Lead Sponsors will receive an email 1-2 days before their session with dorm assignment and number of beds to make sure all information is correct.
- After dorm assignments are made, a camper can be replaced by another camper of the same gender with no problem. For any other change, please contact the CrossTimbers Program Office.

5. ARRIVAL AND CAMP CHECK-IN:

Arrival Process:

- We will email you regarding arrival times one month before camp. Check-in opens at 10am, Day One of each session.
- When entering the campground, our staff will greet you and your campers and provide directions.
- Passengers must remove everything from the vehicles and place it in the designated spot at registration.
- Please label all belongings as MALE or FEMALE so they can be placed in the designated areas.
- Immediately after arrival, the **Lead Sponsor** should go directly to the registration office. All other sponsors will remain with their group to unpack.
- During check-in, the remaining sponsors and campers can walk to their dorm area and start unpacking.
- Remember, each dorm has every bed filled, and another church could be sharing a dorm with your group. Please be respectful of all groups and leaders by keeping your dorm clean.
- Be sure your group stays together, using all the beds, so the other beds remain grouped together for those still to arrive.

Check-In Process:

Lead Sponsors need to have the following items ready to hand in at the office:

- **Alphabetized list** of all campers and sponsors
- Sponsor Background Check Statement of Compliance (signed by the Sr. Pastor or Church Administrator)
- Concession Wristband Form and money to purchase additional concession wristbands.

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Important Dates to Remember:

- **First Monday of Nov. at 8am:** Camp Registration Opens
- **January 31:** Deposit and Registration Agreement Due
- **March 24, 2026:** CrossTimbers Pre-Camp Zoom for Returning Churches
- **March 31, 2026:** CrossTimbers Pre-Camp Meeting for New Churches/Leaders in Davis
- **March 31:** Final Day to Turn Back Beds
- **May 1:** Final Payment Due for Camp
- **TWO Weeks Prior to Session:** Digital Background Checks Due to Ministry Safe
- **96 Hours Prior to Session:** Final Headcount Form Due to CrossTimbers via email crosstimbers@oklahomabaptists.org

Acquiring/Selling Beds After Pre-Camp Registration:

- As camp approaches, it is common for churches to need more or fewer beds than previously reserved and paid. After March 31, you will receive a list of the churches attending your session along with the contact information for their group leader. If you need more beds for your session, or need to sell extra beds, please contact the churches attending your session. The buying church will pay the selling church directly. **You will both need to notify the CrossTimbers office so that we can change the numbers on each of your online registrations. You can email our office.**

- If you need more beds or want to return beds for a refund to our office, you must email our office by March 31. Any emails dated after March 31 will not qualify for a refund from our office. To inquire about buying additional beds from our office before March 31st, please contact our office directly.

Concession Wristbands:

- Campers will be able to purchase additional concession wristbands for \$10.00 each. There is no limit on the number of concession wristbands a camper can purchase. Churches will need to have the concession wristband form, along with the money to purchase the wristbands, at onsite check-in. During the missions stops offerings cash will be accepted.

Camper/Sponsor Ratio and Bed Assignments:

- Remember, there is a **5:1 camper/sponsor ratio of the same gender at all times while on the grounds.** In addition to this rule, there must be at least two sponsors of the same gender per room to protect both our campers and sponsors overnight. If you are not able to provide two sponsors of the same gender per room, there is the option to be put with another church in order to comply with requirements.
- If you have any questions, please contact the CrossTimbers Program Office.



CROSSTIMBERS MISSION ADVENTURE CAMP

Camper Safety Guide

The desire and goal of CrossTimbers is Gospel impact. Any established guidelines enhance efforts to see the lost saved, believers grow, and the church strengthened while keeping all involved as safe as possible. CrossTimbers seeks to provide an atmosphere of joy, enthusiasm, and safety. Leaders are entrusted to shepherd their group which includes protecting their children, adults, and churches over which they have responsibility. The following guidelines for camper safety provide parameters for protection and offer the due diligence that accompanies leadership.

CAMPER SAFETY

ZERO-TOLERANCE POLICY

CrossTimbers is committed to a positive, uplifting, Christian environment. CrossTimbers does not tolerate and expressly prohibits sexual harassment and sexual abuse. This policy applies to everyone at CrossTimbers, including employees, board members, volunteers, sponsors, campers, contractors, and vendors of CrossTimbers. Suspected violations of this policy are to be reported immediately to the CrossTimbers Program or Conference Center Director. Upon review by the Director, suspected violators of this policy will be removed from the grounds of CrossTimbers Conference Centers. Employees of Oklahoma Baptists who are suspected of violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment and criminal prosecution may ensue. Suspected abuse or neglect of a minor, whether on or off CrossTimbers Conference Centers property or whether perpetrated by CrossTimbers personnel or others, will be reported to state authorities, as required by law. All CrossTimbers staff have completed and cleared a background check, and have been screened and vetted in accordance with Oklahoma Baptists child safety and predator recognition training.

BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR ATTENDING CHURCHES:

CrossTimbers requires that each church perform background checks on all participants 18 years of age or older attending with their group. CrossTimbers honors background checks for 18 months from the date of the check.

Background check reports must include:

- A National Criminal database check
- A National Registry of Sex Offenders check
- A County and/or State Criminal Court search
- A Social Security trace/verification

Below is a list of background check companies that are approved. **Churches must use one of these providers.** These providers all charge a fee for their services; check with each service provider for pricing

Contact the CrossTimbers program office with any questions.

REQUIRED SERVICE PROVIDERS

SHIELD SCREENING (FALLS CREEK PACKAGE)

www.shieldscreening.com | 800-260-3738

MINISTRY SAFE (FALLS CREEK PACKAGE)

www.ministrysafe.com | 833-737-7233

PROTECT MY MINISTRY (BASIC PLUS PACKAGE)

www.protectmyministry.com | 800-319-5581

CHECKR

www.checkr.com

TRAK-1 CHECKS

www.trak-1.com | 800-600-8999

FLAGGING BACKGROUND CHECKS

Each church is responsible to review the background checks that are run on their sponsors and making determinations regarding each person's suitability for service. In order to help you as a church to make these determinations, we are providing you with a list of RED FLAG and YELLOW FLAG offenses. These lists are thorough, but not exhaustive.

Red Flag Offenses

If any of the following offenses are reported on a potential sponsor's background check, you should not use that person as a sponsor at camp.

- Providing alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or pornography to a minor
- Voyeurism (peeping Tom)
- Contributing to the delinquency of a minor
- Criminal solicitation of a minor
- Public Indecency
- Exhibitionism (flashing)
- Assault
- Sexual Assault (or any crime that is sexual in nature)
- Homicide
- False Imprisonment
- Kidnapping
- Injury to a child/elderly individual/disabled individual
- Abandoning or endangering a child
- Leaving a child in a vehicle
- Matters related to interference with child custody
- Failure to stop or report the aggravated sexual assault of a child

Yellow Flag Offenses (YFO)

This is a list of felonies and misdemeanors. Having one of these offenses appear on a person's check will not automatically disqualify them from being a sponsor. However, the church who brings a person whose check reveals a YFO must also complete a YFO Acknowledgement Form for that person. The YFO Acknowledgement Form will serve as a document stating that the church is aware of the Yellow Flag Offenses found on the person's background check, is willing to take responsibility for the individual, and has determined the person suitable to serve as a sponsor for their church at CrossTimbers. The YFO Acknowledgment Form is available in the forms section of our website: www.oklahomabaptists.org/crosstimbers.

BACKGROUND CHECK COMPLIANCE

Here are some important reminders about background checks for CrossTimbers:

- ALL churches will complete background checks through a required service provider. Background checks are valid for 18 months from time of completion.
- Each church is responsible for the information contained in the reports and will maintain the privacy of those reports.
- ALL churches are required to agree to compliance checks by submitting ALL background check report forms* for ALL sponsors digitally through Ministry Safe at least two weeks prior to the first day of their camp session.**
- At on-site registration, churches must present the completed Background Check Statement of Compliance Form for ALL sponsors. The Background Check Statement of Compliance Form is available in the forms section of our website, www.oklahomabaptists.org/crosstimbers.

**A report form is the page of each background check containing the subject's name, clearly showing each of the required checks has been completed, and including a list of any offenses discovered during the check..*

***In the event of a last-minute sponsor change, his/her background check will need to be submitted to our office via email before they are allowed on campus.*

MINISTRY SAFE TRAINING

Groups will experience added camper safety measures including mandatory Ministry Safe CAMP training.

- Each Lead Sponsor must complete the Ministry Safe Sexual Abuse Awareness training.
- Each Lead Sponsor must also complete Peer-to-Peer training prior to the start of camp. This link will be provided via email.
- One other sponsor (opposite gender of the Lead Sponsor) must complete Peer-to-Peer training. A link will be sent to the email provided on the Sponsor Form sent to us by the Lead Sponsor.
- Churches are encouraged to have as many sponsors as possible complete the Peer-to-Peer training.
- The additional Peer-to-Peer training does not have to be completed to move on in the registration process, but it must be completed before arriving at camp.

RECRUITING SPONSORS

Sponsors (adult leaders) set the tone for the session. If a sponsor has a great attitude, campers will have a great time at camp. If sponsors are godly role models and use their influence wisely for the Kingdom, there will be more spiritual impact during the session. Please only recruit and take sponsors who encourage your campers toward the goals of camp.

By attending CrossTimbers, your church acknowledges that it is responsible for the selection and supervision of your sponsors and further warrants that it has exercised due diligence in the selection of these sponsors.

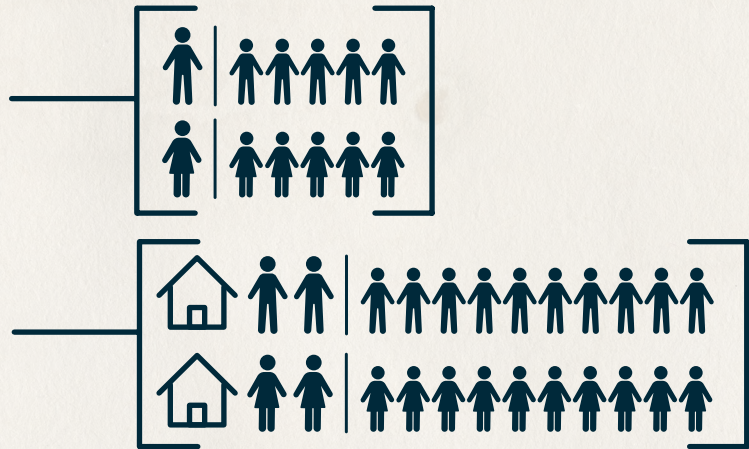
Each church is required to appoint a lead sponsor. The lead sponsor is responsible for the group and serves as the church contact person during the week. This person is typically the children's minister, senior pastor, or lay person (only in the absence of a children's minister or pastor) designated as the children's leader at their church.

WHO IS CONSIDERED A SPONSOR?

Sponsors must be individuals at least 18 years of age.

CHURCHES MUST PROVIDE

- A 5:1 Camper/Sponsor ratio of the same gender while at camp
 - This will be verified through the submission of a completed Sponsor and Camper List 96 hours prior to the start of your session. This form will be emailed to the Lead Sponsor.
- In addition to this ratio, there must be at least two adult sponsors of the same gender per 12 person dorm/room.



SPONSOR EXPECTATIONS

Sponsors attending CrossTimbers should adhere to the expectations listed below:

- Set the moral and spiritual example for the group.
- Model and enforce the camp code of conduct and dress code.
- Ensure the attendance of their campers to all scheduled activities.
- Do not send groups of campers without adult supervision from your group.
- Participate in the morning and evening devotion times.
- When possible, during the week, equip and encourage campers to follow Christ in their daily lives.
- Spend time with campers to hear their salvation story and/or to share Christ with them.

PROPERLY SELECTING SPONSORS

All churches are required to run background checks on their sponsors, however, background checks are only a small part of a thorough sponsor selection process.

Lead Sponsors should consider the following questions when selecting sponsors for camp:

- **Are they associated with your church?** It is often tempting to select people you know well to serve as sponsors, but who have little to no connection to your church. You need to be aware that it is better to select qualified leaders from your congregation than to outsource this type of help. People who are not associated with your church do not always act as responsibly with the church in mind, as those who are significantly invested in your congregation.
- **How long has this person been a member of your church?** Have they recently joined your congregation? It would be important for you to be able to observe their life and character for at least a minimum of six to eight months before considering using them as sponsors.
- **How well do you know them?** Are these people you have known for at least a year? They may be new members to your church, but you may have known them much longer and can vouch for their character. Do others speak highly of them and is their observable character above reproach?
- **Do they enjoy being around children?** Do they currently work with children in your ministry and have a good rapport with students and other volunteers? Do they observe good boundaries in their relationships with children? Do they seem too strict or too permissive? Have they agreed to abide by the requirements set forth by the church and camp leadership?

CODE OF CONDUCT

GENERAL PURPOSE

CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp sessions are planned for children who have completed 3rd through 6th grade. Younger children of sponsors or teens who are not 18 are not allowed to attend CrossTimbers. (Note: Children of Executive Staff members and the Camp Pastor will be allowed and will be housed in private accommodations.)

The code of conduct for CrossTimbers is intended to assist churches and campers at camp to have a safe and enjoyable camp experience, while growing in their faith. CrossTimbers is a Christian camp designed to help children and adults know and follow God, so the code of conduct prioritizes issues related to a camper's faith development in Jesus. CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp does not condone or encourage any activity on grounds that would humiliate any camper, including initiation, hazing, and/or pranks. Furthermore, CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp will not tolerate any activity that would harm any camper, such as violence or abuse of any kind.

CURFEW

At 10:15pm, all campers should be back at their dorm/room and should not be outside their cabin without sponsors until after 6:30am. Sponsors should also remain in their dorm/room with their campers during these hours.

MODESTY/PDA

Believing that modesty extends beyond the dress code, CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp asks that campers and sponsors refrain from public displays of affection (PDA).

CELL PHONES

It is strongly suggested that churches limit or prohibit their campers' use and possession of cell phones and two-way radios. These items can quickly become a distraction from the goals of camp.

VEHICLES

Unnecessary and careless traffic is prohibited on CrossTimbers grounds. Only Conference Center operated vehicles are permitted. Motorcycles may only drive to and from the gate to their cabin or meeting place. Recreation vehicles for living or sleeping purposes are permitted only in designated areas and must register in advance with the CrossTimbers office. All passengers must be seated in a vehicle according to its designated capacity—no passengers are allowed in pickup beds or in the back of vehicles with hatch doors raised.

CAMP REQUIREMENTS

Campers are required to attend both the Morning and Evening Chapel Experience each day. Church groups must sit together at all chapel services in their designated locations. Sponsors should sit among the campers in order to model worship and more easily address any issues that arise during the service.

Sponsors from each church are responsible for enforcing the code of conduct and camp dress code for their campers and sponsors and for handling discipline issues within their group.

Sponsors must maintain a 5:1 camper/sponsor ratio of the same gender while at camp. In addition to this rule, there must be at least two sponsors of the same gender per room.

DRIVE-IN GUESTS

Drive-in guests at CrossTimbers are limited to church staff and spouses only. All guests must have had their background check submitted by their church's Lead Sponsor or must present their driver's license to be scanned by the CrossTimbers Staff.

All guests are required to check in at the CrossTimbers Office and will receive proof of registration.



CAMP PROHIBITIONS

Campers who have not yet completed third grade and those who have completed seventh grade and up but are not yet 18 are not allowed to attend camp.

Campers will not be permitted to leave the grounds unless accompanied by a sponsor. If a camper is picked up early by his/her parents, he/she may not return to camp.

Excessive volume from a dorm/room is not permitted since it can disturb other dorms/rooms. Please check with the office if there is an issue.

No product sales are allowed at CrossTimbers unless they have secured a contract through the Falls Creek Conference Centers.

Use or possession of illegal drugs, alcohol, or tobacco of any type is not permitted on the grounds. This includes e-cigarettes, vaping or other facsimiles. Falls Creek Conference Centers, which includes CrossTimbers, are smoke-free facilities.

The possession of offensive weapons of any sort is prohibited at camp. CrossTimbers reserves the right to perform a random drug and weapon search at any time and confiscate items that distract from the camp goals or that violate the code of conduct of the camp.

Pets/animals (**other than trained and certified service animals), fireworks, rock throwing, water fighting, laser pointers, and shaving cream fights are prohibited on the campgrounds.

DISCIPLINE AT CAMP

Most discipline issues are already solved with the attitude and reactions of sponsors promoting a great time at camp, coupled with fun activities of a busy day.

Sponsors should also keep the idea of praising in public and criticizing in private as they address minor behaviors to avoid a camper becoming embarrassed, angry, or otherwise emotionally charged and greatly escalating the situation.

If a sponsor continually experiences behavioral challenges with a camper:

- Pull that camper aside and talk to them privately about his/her actions. Explain why this is an unwise and unacceptable choice. State your confidence in the child to make this change and praise the child when he/she improves in order to encourage good choices.
- If the poor choices continue, the sponsor might consider a later start time of swimming and allow the child to rest longer on his/her bunk.

** Campers with service animals may attend camp and participate in activities. Parents or guardians of said campers should contact CrossTimbers to make prior arrangements for the service animal's presence on the campgrounds. However, no overnight lodging accommodations are currently available to campers with service animals. Campers with service animals may attend camp during the day and leave the grounds at night. The camper will be allowed to return with their service animal the next day.

Masks or any other disguise over the face cannot be worn by anyone outside of their cabin. Face coverings, which cover the nose and mouth for medical-related purposes, are allowed at CrossTimbers.

For the safety of all guests, skates, rollerblades, and skateboards are not permitted. All cycles (uni, bi, or tri) are prohibited on the grounds. Violation of this policy could result in confiscation of equipment.

No wading or swimming is allowed in the creek unless there is a CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp life-guard present. No fishing is allowed.

No camera drones or remote-controlled flying devices may be operated on grounds without expressed permission from the Director of Falls Creek Conference Centers and the CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp Program Director.

- If the child does not comply, contact the CrossTimbers Program Director. The camper, Lead Sponsor, and Program Director will have a meeting and call a parent to bring awareness of the situation. This will be the final warning.
- If the child continues to make poor choices, the Lead Sponsor and Program Director will call the parents again, and the parents will be asked to make arrangements to have the child picked up from camp.



DRESS CODE FOR CROSSTIMBERS MISSION ADVENTURE CAMP

Churches participating in CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp should fully communicate the dress code to campers before they pack and arrive for camp. While we understand the desire for fashionable attire, we require you to wear modest clothing. Modesty is a biblical principle and helps keep people focused on the important things at camp (1 Timothy 2:9-10; 4:12). All apparel judgments will be left to the discretion of the CrossTimbers staff. If the CrossTimbers staff determines whether a camper or sponsor should change his/her clothing to fall in line with camp requirements, then said camper or sponsor is required to do so

General Guidelines

- Shoes must be worn at all times outside of your dorm/room.
- Apparel may not display or promote tobacco, alcohol, controlled substances, or inappropriate language or pictures.
- Undergarments must always be covered by outer garments (i.e. No boxer shorts or bra straps showing).
- Midriffs should always be covered.
- No spaghetti strap shirts or dresses.
- No tank tops.
- No short shorts. Shorts must be modest length. Note: modest length can be generally defined as extending to just beyond the fingertips, which in general is no shorter than 5 to 7 inch inseam.
- No tight-fitting and revealing clothing. This includes leggings or similar attire, which cannot be worn as pants.
- Girls may wear dresses/skirts, but they must reach the top of the knee.

Due to the terrain and activities of CrossTimbers, campers are encouraged to always wear closed-toe shoes outside of their dorm/room.

Closed-toed and closed-heeled shoes are required to participate on the ropes course.

Swimming

- Girls should wear modest one-piece swimsuits. A dark T-shirt must be worn over two-piece swimming suit.
- Males should not wear tight-fitting swimming suits.
- While going to and from the swimming areas, all campers must wear a t-shirt, and females must wear a long covering or shorts over their swimming suits.
- Campers may not be barefoot on the way to and from venues.
- Shorts, shirts, and closed-toed shoes are required for the waterfront and must be worn in the water.



Dress Code

General Guidelines

Modesty is key.

Always wear shoes.

Shoes must be worn at all times! Campers may not be barefoot on the way to and from venues.

Closed toe and closed heel shoes are required for ropes course.

Apparel may not display:

Inappropriate Language
Inappropriate Pictures
Controlled Substances
Tobacco or Alcohol

Avoid tight, revealing clothes.

Water Front Activities require water shoes, a shirt and shorts.

Undergarments must be covered.

No boxer shorts or bra straps showing.

All apparel judgements will be left to the discretion of the CrossTimbers Staff.

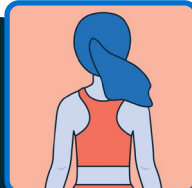
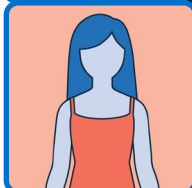
If CrossTimbers Staff determines a camper or sponsor should change their clothing to fall in line with camp requirements, then said camper or sponsor are required to do so.

Tees, Tops & Tanks

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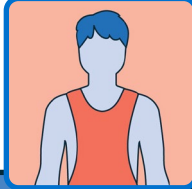
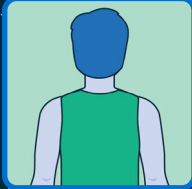
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Sleeveless shirts must extend all the way to the shoulder seam. All rules apply to dress tops.

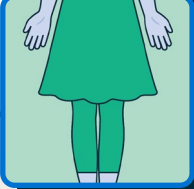
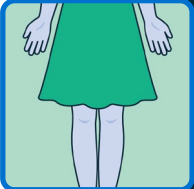
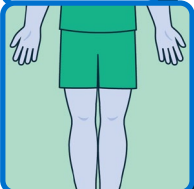
No racerbacks, sports bras as tops, spaghetti straps, or tees/tanks cut down the side.

Undergarments or midriff may not show.

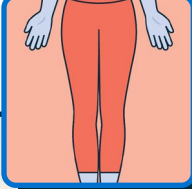
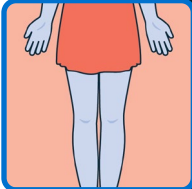
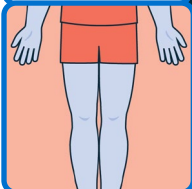


Bottoms

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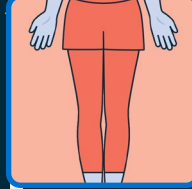
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SHORTS: Must be modest. Either past fingertips or 5"-7" inseam.

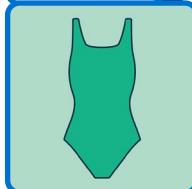
DRESSES & SKIRTS: Must reach the top of the knee.

LEGGINGS: May be worn under a garment that meets dress code. Cannot be worn as pants.

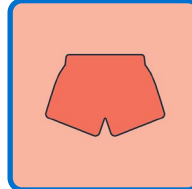
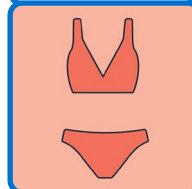


Swim

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Women: Modest one piece. No two pieces.

Men: Same rules as shorts. No tight, short shorts.

Additional Water Front guidelines listed above.

BEFORE CAMP

CAMP PRECAUTIONS

- Children with lice or a fever will not be permitted on the campgrounds. A lice check must be performed on each child before leaving for camp.
- Do not bring campers who have had lice, diarrhea, vomiting, or fever in the 24 hours prior to arriving at camp.

PARENT MEETING

If you are planning a parent meeting, here are some topics that you may want to cover with parents:

- Emergency Contact Information
- Medication Procedures
- Insurance Policy
- Concession Wristbands
- Camp Schedule
- Packing List

Visitors* are not permitted at CrossTimbers; therefore, we request that parents do not come and visit their camper while they are away. While this might be a stress reliever of the parent, it can be a hindrance to the camper and to the camp experience.

*See **Drive In Guest** section of code of conduct for more information.

PRAYER PREPARATION IDEAS

Prayer preparation is as vital to camp as physical preparation and planning. Listed below are several ideas for preparing your church and your children for camp. Please remember to pray for the overall safety of CrossTimbers and the camp staff.

Here are some ideas to create and implement a prayer plan:

- **Prayer Guide Book Markers:** Create a Prayer Guide with each camper's first name (only) and the names of the sponsors.
- **Prayer Walk:** After your group arrives at camp and settles into the schedule, have sponsors take the campers out to prayer walk around the cabins. Ask them to walk around camp and pray in groups for all the major areas of camp.
- **Prayer Partner:** Ask kids to find an adult prayer partner before the week of camp and pray together. This adult should not be one of the adults who will attend CrossTimbers as a sponsor.
- **Wristbands:** Write all the first names of campers and adults attending CrossTimbers on a wristband and place them on the altar at church. Encourage adults to pick up one of the wristbands the Sunday before camp and wear it all week as a prayer reminder.
- **Parent Prayer:** Assign volunteer parents and adults a day of prayer for the group. Distribute first names (only) of children to parents and adults for their day of prayer.
- **Advance Prayer:** For several weeks before camp, meet regularly with sponsors to prepare and pray for kids who will attend camp.
- **Commissioning Service:** Sunday Night before camp, hold a "commissioning service" to pray over and prepare the group.



DURING CAMP

MEDICATIONS

The primary responsibility for both prescription and over-the-counter medications will be given to each church.

A Medication Authorization Form is available to help with medications at camp. This is available on our website (oklahomabaptists.org/crosstimbers). Our office does not need these forms. This is a free resource just for individual church use.

FIRST AID

Each church should bring a First-Aid kit.

While first aid is the responsibility of the individual church, CrossTimbers will have a designated staff member for administering first aid when needed. They will have all the information necessary in case of emergency. Sponsors are encouraged to bring their campers to the First-Aid Station for occurrences that cannot be properly cared for in the cabin.

When campers need medical attention at the First-Aid Station, a church sponsor must accompany them. If illness or accidents are of a serious nature, patients may be sent to the hospital, but they should first report to the Camp Office for a referral.

SUGGESTED FIRST-AID KIT ITEMS:

- Assorted bandages
- Ace bandages
- Antacid (Tums)
- Antiseptic (peroxide)
- Adhesive tape
- Advil, chewable or liquid
- Aloe Vera or Benzocaine
- Benadryl or Cortaid Cream
- Benadryl, chewable or liquid
- Children's Tylenol (mild pain reliever)
- Fever thermometer
- Insect repellent
- Kaopectate
- Roller gauze (Kling)
- Scissors
- Skin cream or lotion
- Sterile gauze squares
- Stool softener/laxative
- Sunscreen
- Triple antibiotic ointment
- Tweezers
- Ziploc bags for ice

INSURANCE

Accident and illness insurance is provided for all those attending CrossTimbers. Most injuries or illnesses that occur during the week of camp are covered by insurance. Accident and illness insurance benefits are limited and payable up to a certain amount. Insurance coverage includes accidents and illnesses that occur during regularly scheduled activities on the grounds of CrossTimbers. Insurance coverage also includes the time spent traveling directly between the campground and the camper's residence. Trips to town or other activities off the campgrounds are not covered. For claims submitted to the accident and illness insurance company, the injured/ill person is responsible for making payment to the medical provider (hospital, ER, doctor, etc.). If coverage applies, the insurance company will issue reimbursement directly to the injured person, parent, or guardian, as the case may be, for approved claims. The medical care provider may also directly bill the insurance carrier using the information provided on the claim report.

To apply for accident and illness insurance benefits, a claim report must be completed and submitted to the insurance provider. The claim report form may be obtained at the CrossTimbers Office.

GATE SYSTEM

During the camp session, the main gate will always remain locked. Any campers or sponsors who will be arriving late or during the week will need to follow the directions that will be posted on the gate. If at any time during the week you need to exit campgrounds, you will need to notify the CrossTimbers office. We only allow church staff to visit camp. No other outside guests are allowed.

All guests must have had their background check submitted by their church's Lead Sponsor or must present their driver's license to be scanned by the CrossTimbers Staff.

All guests are required to check in at the CrossTimbers Office and will receive proof of registration.



EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Inclement Weather

CrossTimbers has a variety of inclement weather policies and plans to address the weather that may occur during an Oklahoma summer. There are plans for rainy days, thunderstorms, flooding, tornados, and fire. The CrossTimbers staff will communicate the weather forecast and resulting changes in schedule and/or activity locations with the Lead Sponsor, as well as all other sponsors.

Tornado Safety

In the event of tornado warning, all campers and sponsors will be directed to take shelter in the staff dorms.

If conditions do not provide opportunity to relocate all campers and sponsors to the staff dorms, a vehicle will be driven to the cabins, and a horn will be sounded continuously. This will never be a drill. Cabin occupants should immediately seek shelter in the center of the cabin, away from windows, and cover with mattresses. Wait until the all-clear signal is sounded. The all-clear signal will be when the horn repeatedly goes on and then off.

Camp Evacuation Process

In the event of a fire or flooding, the evacuation of CrossTimbers or parts of CrossTimbers may become necessary. CrossTimbers staffers will assist campers in locating the appropriate evacuation routes and guide them to designated areas.

Circumstances may require this to change, and camp staff will provide guidance for campers during the process.

REPORTING EMERGENCIES

If you have an emergency to report or need help at any time, contact:

Nathan Thompson | Conference Center Guest Services Associate
405-255-1624

Sarah Hagar | Program Director
(405) 623-3087

CAMP STAFF'S ROLE IN THE PROGRAM

Your week of camp is organized so you can connect, love, and minister to the children from your church. The staff focuses energy on running the activities, serving the meals, teaching the mission stops, leading tribal devotions/time, and standing ready to serve you and the children. Camp is a great place to be with your kids without time constraints and interruptions. Please take this opportunity to be with your kids while the staff works to meet your needs, serve as a role model for children, and encourage you as a leader. Sponsors are welcome to join in all activities as time permits, as well as cheer their children to greater things.

CAMP ACTIVITIES

There are three main activity sites: watersports**, challenge course (ropes course), and target sports.

Closed-toed shoes are required for watersports and closed-toed and closed-heeled shoes are required for the ropes course.

Be sure all your campers have sunscreen applied at camp, especially when playing at our water venues.

**Note: You will need to be prepared to get completely soaked if you are going to watersports. Swimsuits are recommended; however, everyone must wear shorts and shirts over swimsuits at watersports. Closed-toed shoes and life jackets must be worn while in the water. Life jackets will be provided.

MISSIONS

The CrossTimbers missions experience is designed to help children understand the role of a missionary in an interactive experience that impacts the community locally and reaches out to the global task of telling the nations about Christ. At each mission stop, children will learn about a missionary or missions organization through hands-on activities. They will have opportunities to learn how missions are expressed in different areas and how they can pray for the nations.

MISSIONS OFFERING

Campers and sponsors will have the opportunity to give to one of the mission works featured during camp. Offerings will be accepted during the mission stop, at the last canteen, and in the CrossTimbers office.



POOL TIME

During pool time, there will be lifeguards on duty at all times. At CrossTimbers, we have separate girls' and boys' swim times. Please be sure to check your schedule for your designated time. Sponsors are welcome to swim, and at least one sponsor from each group that is swimming must be present in case of an emergency.

Here are a few things to remember about pool time:

- Before coming to the pool, be sure to shower. Hair does not need to be washed, but state health regulations require all persons to shower in the cabins, washing their entire body prior to swimming in the pool.
- A life jacket can be provided at the pool for campers upon request.
- Be sure all your campers have sunscreen applied at camp, especially when playing at our water venues.

CANTEEN/CAMP STORE

The Canteen is our concessions and will be open every day at the scheduled times. Each camper is allowed to purchase any items, but we strongly recommend one drink and one snack. It is very important that sponsors watch their children and enjoy this time together. Watch to make sure all the children are served and they get what they ordered. This can be the first time for some kids to order a snack and pay for it themselves.

What to remember:

- All food should remain in the canteen area.
- Use designated trashcans and encourage campers to pick up trash on the ground by complimenting them and thanking them for serving others.
- Campers may use the \$10.00 on their wristbands however they choose. They should avoid spending it all at once (stockpiling snacks in the cabin). Additional wristbands can be purchased in the office, only by sponsors, after registration is closed.
- Other campers and sponsors can purchase items for friends with their wristband.
- Items can be purchased from the camp store with a concession wristband.



CHAPEL AND DECISION TIME

During the chapel time, sponsors should sit among the campers and help them participate in the worship and fun. When the pastor directs us to Scripture, please assist campers with their Bibles and praise those who are using it so they will continue to develop greater Bible skills.

When the pastor begins the invitation time of the service, he will ask sponsors to be available to talk with campers. We ask that 1 female and 1 male sponsor stand on the side of the chapel or in the back nearest to where their campers are seated. As sponsors leave to talk with campers, another sponsor should replace him or her. Using sponsors to talk with campers will allow them to have an adult in their church who knows about them and will be available to them after camp. This gives the campers a way to be anchored back into their home church. You will be one of their greatest influences in that conversation after chapel, whether it's the plan of salvation or just the opportunity to talk through a difficult situation at home and pray together.

God's plan incorporates the church as the means of discipleship for these children, not the staffers. Chapel invitation time opens the door to many significant and life-changing discussions.

IN-CABIN QUIET TIME

In-cabin quiet time is a time that campers are encouraged to rest and recover. During this time, all campers should be in their bunks and quiet. Camp is busy, and campers need time to recover.

CHURCH TIME

At the end of each day, churches can gather their campers and sponsors for a special group time. This is an optional activity. Lead Sponsors can use this time to review the day, make announcements, or just fellowship together. There are spaces available across the campgrounds. Contact the CrossTimbers Office to reserve a space for your church.

LEAD SPONSOR GROUP MESSAGE

In each session, there will be a group message with all the Lead Sponsors in order to communicate any updates or changes during camp. This will be completed at the sponsor meeting on Day One of camp.

INCLEMENT WEATHER PLAN

If there is inclement weather that will impact camp activities, the CrossTimbers staff will communicate changes in schedule and/or activity locations with the lead sponsor, as well as all other sponsors.

MEALS

Mealtime procedures include:

- Sit in your assigned color area.
- Seconds are not guaranteed.
- Food is not allowed outside of the dining hall.
- Pick up trash and wipe down tables as you finish your meal.
- If your group will not be attending the lunch meal on day four, notify the CrossTimbers Office before lunch on day three.

DIETARY NEEDS

If one of your campers/sponsors has special dietary needs, our staff will need to be notified BEFORE camp begins. We are only able to accommodate gluten-free meals at camp. On your Final Headcount Form, there will be a place to indicate how many individuals who are GF you are bringing to camp. Please make sure you do this before the deadline, or we will not be able to accommodate any restrictions. At registration, you will receive a special armband for any campers/sponsors needing GF meals. They must have this band at the cafeteria to receive their meal. If there are more complicated restrictions, please contact our office.

***NUT ALLERGIES:** Our cafeteria is nut-free, and our Canteen does not sell products that contain nuts. However, that does not mean that churches may not bring their own snacks for campers and sponsors and these foods may contain nuts.

LOST AND FOUND

There will be a lost and found area inside the dining hall. Any items found at any missions or activity stops will be brought to the dining hall lost and found. Please check the lost and found before leaving camp. If you have a camper who has lost something and they do not realize until after leaving camp, such as a Bible, we want to get those items to you. Please contact the CrossTimbers Program Office to make arrangements.

CAMP CHECKOUT

Before leaving for home, each cabin will be checked out by a CrossTimbers representative. A checklist will be posted in each cabin that will give instructions as to what needs to be cleaned. After cleaning the cabin, there will need to be one sponsor present at checkout for every church in the cabin.



AFTER CAMP

The success of CrossTimbers is determined by the lives of campers when they leave camp. Children are learning how to walk with God, so they will need encouragement, ideas, and accountability to help them continue to practice what they learned at camp. In camp preparation, remember to think through specific ways you can prepare your kids to go home after camp.

These are a few ideas for your church to continue kingdom work at home:

BAPTISM

Continue to work with each new Christian until they have been baptized. If baptism was important to Jesus, it should be important to us.

BIBLE STUDY PLAN

When children go home after camp, help them move beyond camp by connecting them to a daily Bible reading/devotional plan provided by your church.

FOLLOW-UP

Recruit and equip adults to help with follow-up with children after camp. When a child makes a decision, contact an adult who is doing follow-up back home and ask them to pray and prepare to visit that child and his parents when he is home.

SHARE TIME

Plan ways for kids to share their camp experience when they get home. When kids get excited about camp, they need to know there is a plan to take the excitement home and share it with the church. What will be your plan for sharing?

SUNDAY SCHOOL

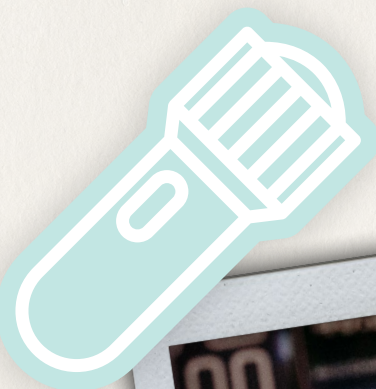
Before camp, give the names of all the children attending camp from a specific grade/class to the teacher of that Sunday School class or small group. Ask teachers to call the kids on Saturday night (after camp) to introduce themselves and to invite them to Sunday morning Bible study the next day.

OFF-SEASON AT CROSSTIMBERS DAVIS

CrossTimbers campground in Davis is available year-round for retreats, family reunions, conferences, and many other types of gatherings. For information on pricing and booking, contact Jordan Anson, Guest Experience Leader, Falls Creek Conference Centers at janson@oklahomabaptists.org.

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MAP OF CAMPGROUNDS



CrossTimbers
CHILDREN'S MISSION ADVENTURE CAMP

CAMP RULES

1. RESPECT GOD

2. RESPECT GOD'S
CAMPGROUND

3. RESPECT AND
ENCOURAGE EACH
OTHER

DEFINITION OF SIN

ANYTHING WE THINK, SAY, DO, OR
DON'T DO THAT DISPLEASES GOD.

DEFINITION OF OBEDIENCE

ANYTHING WE THINK, SAY, DO, OR
DON'T DO THAT PLEASES GOD.