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Another summer approaches and summer camps are gearing up! Don't wait, get signed up today.

<u>2025 Summer Camp Schedule</u>

June 4-6, Cub Camp, \$20 (non-refundable)

Director: Ryan Bitikofer

June 8-13, High School Camp, \$225 Directors: David Brown and Josh Austin (tentative) & Bill Salazar

> June 15-20, Jr. High Camp, \$225 Directors: Bill Salazar and Perry Stilz

June 22-27, 4th to 6th Grade Camp, \$225 Director: Dennis Baker

June 29-July 4, Combo Week Camp, \$225 Directors: Theo Jones and Bill Salazar

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-Chris Macy





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Caretakers' Corner

Things at camp are doing well. So far, we are having a dry winter. We have had just a couple of light snow falls, but it has been cold. We continue to work on maintenance projects. There are always issues that arise which we have been blessed to be able to resolve.

We are looking forward to the Souljourners to be here in April. Their main goal is to prep and paint cabins and other buildings. We have most all of the paint and materials needed for the job, although we are in still in need of scaffolding to be able to safely reach some of the higher peaks. If there are any contractors, or if you know of any that have scaffolding and would be willing to lend them to us for a couple of weeks, it would be greatly appreciated. We need the scaffolding from April 21 - May 1. We are willing to pick up and return them.

Please contact Joe Bridges at camp if you can help with this at (702) 862-6499. Also, if there is anyone that might be willing to come to camp anytime during those 2 weeks and lend a hand, we can certainly use the help. We will lodge and feed you during your stay. There will be wonderful Christians to fellowship and do God's work with here at camp.

-Joe Bridges



All About the Caretaker: Joe Bridges

I was one of four children, growing up in Southern California. My father was an electronic engineer and my mother was a stay-at-home housewife, which was the norm back in the 50's and 60's. While growing up, my father was a deacon in the church and led singing for all three weekly services. I was very fortunate to grow up with parents who were devout Christians and committed to God's work. At the beginning of my freshman year of high school, my father quit his job, sold our house, and moved to Lubbock, Texas to attend the Sunset School of Preaching. To say the least, this was a traumatic change and move for a young Southern California beach boy. When we arrived in Texas, I attended Lubbock Christian High School and went on to attend Lubbock Christian College. I took a summer job back in California where I met my wife. The Vietnam War was still going on, and as fate would have it, after a month of marriage, I was drafted into the army. I was assigned to the 2nd Armored Division, 21st Med Evac. Our division was a helicopter unit assigned to rescue and treat injured soldiers after fire fights and transport them to a field medical facility.

One of my claims to fame during my time at Fort Hood, Texas was delivering 17 different babies in a three-month period of time, all while riding in the back of an ambulance, rushing the "mothers-to-be" to the hospital in Waco, Texas which was 38 miles away.

After two years, I was released from active-duty and moved back to California. My son Jason was nearly two years old by this time. Two years later, my daughter Jill was born.

I had a few different jobs along the way until I settled into a career in media advertising. I retired from CBS in 2016.

Throughout the years, I was active in church and followed in my father's footsteps as a song leader. I was very active in the Joy Bus program at the Redlands church of Christ in California where I drove a bus and was in charge of the Sunday morning Children's Bible Hour. Later, I was the youth director and taught the weekly Sunday morning and Wednesday evening high school class. I held devotionals for the youth group in my home every Sunday, following the evening church service.

Seven years ago, I traveled to Prescott to visit my grandson Sage and his family where he was the preacher at Mt. Vernon church of Christ and one of the caretakers at Copper Basin Bible Camp. During my visit I met many wonderful people including several affiliated with the camp. Upon my grandson's departure from his caretaker position, I was offered his position. I have now been here serving as caretaker over 6 years.

I am a very fortunate man. I have a beautiful wife named Tucy who helps Bert in the camp kitchen and is very active with me at the Mt. Vernon church of Christ where I serve as a deacon and song leader.

I have a wonderful son and daughter, 5 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren. God has truly continued to bless me.



News and Information from



Copper Basin Bible Camp

2025 Copper Basin Bible Camp Calendar

WABC Men's Retreat

March 28-29

Souljourners: Karl and Debbie

April 14-May 8

CBBC Summer Camps

Cub Camp

June 4-6

Highschool

June 8-13

Jr. High

June 15-20

4th-6th Grade

June 22-27

Combo Week

June 29-July 4th

Family Encampment

July 19-25

Men's Retreat

September 12-13

Women's Retreat

September 19-20

Work Weekend

September 26-27



If you are interested in the efforts at Copper Basin Bible Camp, have a question, or would like to make a donation, please email the Board of Directors at the following address:

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Mission Statement

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To provide a place for children, adults, and congregations to camp, retreat, fellowship, evangelize, and grow in the Lord