



Dear First Baptist Church Family,

It's that time again! *FBCS REC Student Ministries* will continue in the tradition of hosting **REC Weekend**. For those who unfamiliar with the event, REC Weekend is an in-town retreat where we invite a guest speaker and band to partner with young adult Bible Study leaders and families in leading our students towards growing in their relationship with God.

Each year, REC Weekend has a different theme that guides our worship, teaching and small group discussion times over the course of the weekend. Our theme for 2017 is "**RECONCILE**", and our Scripture focus is 2 Corinthians 5:18-19:

"All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us a ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation."

Large group teaching times will revolve around an in-depth study of scripture as it relates to our theme while small group times will gear students towards engaging in discussion about the topic.

REC Weekend "RECONCILE" will be **Friday, November 17th – Sunday, November 19th**. Your student(s) will stay in Host Homes provided by families in the church. Parents are responsible for dropping student(s) off at the Host Home on Friday and picking them up after the 10:30am service at First Baptist on Sunday (see included Itinerary). The Host Families and leaders will provide the rest of the weekend transportation. *If, for some reason, your student will need to leave scheduled activities to return at a later point during the weekend, please complete the Time Away Form and return it with the rest of the registration packet.*

The cost for REC Weekend 2017 is \$50 per student. **The "Early Bird" registration amount is \$40 for all those who register by November 5th**. These funds provide for the event t-shirt and cover *all* the entertainment, games, meals, and activities for the weekend. Payments and registration can be accomplished online at www.fbcspringfield.org/ministries/student-ministry/ If paying in person, please make checks payable to First Baptist Church of Springfield and note that it is for "REC Weekend 2017". Cash payments are also acceptable. Funds can be turned into Sly Samudre after Sunday Service or during Sunday night youth services. If for some reason I am unavailable, you may turn payments in to the Main Office. *Please note that we do*

have funds to subsidize payments. For more information about scholarships and other funding assistance please contact me, Sly Samudre, at sly.samudre@gmail.com.

Printed registration packets are also available in the student center and in the main office. A registration packet for REC Weekend 2017 “RECONCILE” includes the following documents:

- Medical Release and Permission Form
- REC Weekend Registration Form
- Time Away Form
- REC Weekend Packing List
- REC Weekend Itinerary

Once completed, please return the first three forms to First Baptist. The REC Weekend Packing List and Itinerary are yours to keep. Registration information will be accepted through Friday, November 17th, but in order for students to be guaranteed their t-shirt size, please sign up as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or need help in completing the registration process for **REC Weekend 2017 “RECONCILE”**, please do not hesitate to email me or you can reach me directly at (703) 498-8452. I’m looking forward to an exciting REC Weekend with your students!

In Christ,

Sly Samudre

REC Student Ministries

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