# Character Camp 2023 June 5-July 28, 2023

The Mosaic Church & Preschool will offer a eight-week summer day camp for children and youth in Savannah (Chatham County) Georgia.

Children and their families will gain: the benefit of daily positive interactions, new understandings of the importance of Character development and Physical activity. Enrollment is open to all children ages 5-13. Each week, your child will focus on a different aspect of character development.

## **How will the Mosaic Character Camp benefit children and youth?**

'As a general category, statistics reveal the important benefits of summer camps for children. Ninety-six percent of campers say that "camp helped me make new friends," and 92 percent say, "Camp helped me feel good about myself." Seventy percent of camp parents say, "My child gained self-confidence at camp" (American Camp Association's Annual Report, 2005).



Summer camp is often the first non-academic experience away from home, in a new setting with unfamiliar peers, and can create the foundation needed for successful longer-term experiences away from home. Supportive camp staff help build bonds within the camp community and gently encourage even the youngest campers outside of their comfort zones, challenging them to take positive risks and engage in independent decision making.'1



Secondly, Mosaic's Character Camp offers the value of a character centered camp atmosphere where Character Education takes center stage daily. Former U.S. Secretary of State and former Chair of America's Promise—The Alliance for Youth, Colin Powell asserted support for summer camp, saying, "It teaches them how to get along with other people—both other young people as well as adults. To give our children a safe place to learn and

grow . . . camp does that."

There will be activities centric to summer camp program including arts & crafts, sports, indoor and outdoor games, new friends, and other fun ways that will help your child both grow and learn. Instilling positive character traits in an informal environment under the guidance of young adult camp counselors will allow for personal development of your child. Character Camp will strengthen children's soft skills, such as communication, teamwork, problem solving, responsibility and trustworthiness and professionalism.<sup>2</sup>

#### **The Character Camp Curriculum Model**

The Mosaic Character Camp will support children's physical, social and emotional well-being for multiple youth age groups. Children will be grouped by age; 5-7, 8-10, 11-13.

Whereas CC is designed to be energized; fun-filled and socially engaged – it



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ACA. (2005). *Directions*. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.ACAcamps.org/research/enhance/directions">www.ACAcamps.org/research/enhance/directions</a>
ACA. (2007). *Annual Report*. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.ACAcamps.org/sites/default/files/images/annualreport/2007annualreport.pdf">www.ACAcamps.org/research/enhance/directions</a>
ACA. (2007). *Annual Report*. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.ACAcamps.org/sites/default/files/images/annualreport/2007annualreport.pdf">www.ACAcamps.org/research/enhance/directions</a>
Singer, Natasha. (2011, July 10) When s'mores aren't enough. *New York Times*, BU1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://mmrm.org/benefits-of-christian-summer-camp-for-kids/

also has a learning component, Character Education. Subjects such as honesty, responsibility, fairness, patience, enthusiasm and gratefulness will be explored through a proven system of instruction, arts & crafts, limited digital media and group/ team learning. Weekly, parents will be sent summaries of the Character theme for the week and encouraged to discuss that lesson with their child/children. https://characterfirsteducation.com

Breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be served daily. Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia will provide the meals.









#### **Our Commitment to Safety**

We are committed to the safety and well-being of all our campers and staff. We will operate within the guidelines established by the CDC, and state and local health departments. We are committed to ensuring our environment is sanitized on a regular basis, health screenings and temperature checks for staff and campers, as needed.





### **Fees & Registration**

Registration Fee: \$50 per family

Weekly Fees: Ages 5-10: \$100 per week JrClT(11-13): \$60.00 per week

10% sibling or military discount available.

Before & After Care: 7:30-8:30 AM or 4:30- 5:30 PM \$50 per week additional

All fees are due on Friday in advance of the next week your child will attend. Please indicate on your application the weeks you intend your child to attend. If you plan to withdraw your child for a week and return, that week's fee is \$35 and will ensure their spot. Complete a separate application form for each child.

#### Character Camp 2023 Mosaic Church

7 Canebrake Road Savannah, GA 31419

June 5 – July 28, 2023

The Character Camp offers enrichment activities for youth ages 5 to 13. There will be classes in Character Development using music, art, nutrition, computers, outdoor games, field trips & special guests. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks provided daily.

The CC will run Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Child's Name:					
Parent's Name(s):					
Address:					
City:			State:	Zip:	
Date of Birth:	<i>I</i>	Age:	_ School:		
Telephone Numbers:	Day:		Evening	:	
Email:					
Family Information	<b>n:</b> Ma	rried Sing	le		
If parent's contact	is different	from above:			
Father's Name:			Mother's Name:		
Address:			Address:		
City:	_ State:	_Zip:	_ City:	State:	Zip:
Employer:			Employer:		
Daytime Phone:			_ Daytime Pho	ne:	
Alt. Phone:			_ Alt. Phone: _		
Weeks Attending:	_ June 5-9, _	June 12-16	_June 19-23	_June 26-30,Ju	ıly 3-7
	_July 10-14,	July 17-21	_July 24-28 (N	o camp on July 4)	
Registration fee: \$50.00 per family Camp Fees: \$100.00 per week ages 5-10, \$60 per week ages 11-13. 10% Sibling or military discount available.					
Before & After Care available. Check with camp administrator.					
Payment is d	ue on Friday	s and should be	paid via Giveli	fy, Zelle or money o	order.

#### For more information contact 912-232-5658

Return applications to mosaicsecretary21@gmail.com. You will receive a confirmation.

The Character Camp is sponsored by the Mosaic Church & Preschool and is focused on providing a safe, healthy, and productive camp atmosphere for all children enrolled. Upon enrollment parents will be provided with camp rules, dress code, behavior, and discipline procedures.