

**WEST COAST GRACE YOUTH CAMP**  
**COUNSELOR HANDBOOK**  
**2003**

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## ***MISSION***

To reach unsaved kids for Christ and impact the lives of all kids toward growth in their life with Jesus Christ.

## ***CORE VALUES***

Our task is to equip young people for their walk with Jesus Christ. We do this by teaching God's Word (scriptures), principles and values. **We are about decisions.** The first and most Important one is where each person is with Jesus Christ. The second is to teach people how to live for Jesus.

We want each person to be challenged:

- Spiritually—To Make Decisions
- Socially—We want them to experience God's Love
- Physically—Age appropriate activities that allow for youth to enhance self esteem.
- Fun—We want people to be able to come into a place where they can cut loose in a safe, secure environment.

HOW DO WE DO THIS? By teaching them the truth. What is ABSOLUTE TRUTH? Defined as that which is true for all people, for all times, for all places. It is objective, universal, and constant.

How we think about truth has a definite effect on our behavior, the choices we make and attitudes we adopt.

God's View: Truth is defined by God for everyone, it is objective and absolute. World's View: Truth is defined by the individual. My truth is not necessarily your truth. I will make up my own rules as I go to fit my own beliefs. It is important for our kids to know that absolute truth does exist and only comes from God. If they are not familiar with God's absolute truth, the world will deceive them into wasting their lives on matters that will not count for eternity and have no lasting value.

## **Staff Information**

### ***LINES OF AUTHORITY***

Lines of authority are as follows: from camper, to counselor, to head counselor or camp pastor, to camp director. Remember the camp director has the final word and his decision needs to be supported.

### ***EXPECTATIONS OF BEING A COUNSELOR***

Camp counselors will be assigned specific campers to mentor through the camp week. Get to know your camper's special needs quickly. You need to know where your campers are at all times, and what they are doing. You will be responsible to see that they attend required meetings, get enough sleep, eat sufficient food, follow camp rules, etc.

You will assist your campers with the daily competition of cabin clean-up, participate with them in all games and activities, provide daily devotionals (morning and evening) and do at least one one-on-one with each of your campers to learn their status with Jesus Christ. If they do not know the Lord as their Savior, it will be your privilege to explain to them the salvation process and invite them to accept Christ. Come prepared to do this. If they are already Christians it will be your privilege to encourage them in their Christian walk.

### ***WORDS OF WISDOM FROM PREVIOUS COUNSELORS AND STAFF***

Congratulations! You are on the team of West Coast Grace Bible Camp, July 2003. This is a great honor and an equally great hardship. God expects 100% of you this week. Not 100% of your efforts, 100% of you, Lock, Stock, and Barrel. You have signed on to be His hands, His feet, His mouth, His arms, His legs, etc. for all the folks you will be with this week. And by the middle of this week every part of you will know it. Relax. You'll live, and you can expect a mountaintop experience right along side your total fatigue. You can also expect great results, because God is great and when we yield 100% to Him, He returns more than we could ask or think. So, I repeat. Congratulations! Enjoy. This will be a week to remember, worth every moment you will invest in it.

Every camp is new. Be a team player - you're part of something bigger than yourself, bigger even than your assignment or cabin. Don't complain—uphold those in authority and those working along side of you. Be a part of the solution—not part of the problem. Expect the unexpected. Expect to see the Lord working in the lives of your camp charges, expect results from the efforts you will put forth this week.—*Steve McFadden*

No matter how much better you think you could do it—support those in charge of making the decisions. Save any criticisms or complaints till camp is over, then go through the proper channels to voice your concerns. There will always be room for improvement in every adventure, and all constructive opinions will be welcomed after camp. [In plainer words: Suck it up and quit whining. You're here for the kids, not yourself.] — *Pastor Rob Warmouth*

Camp Food is Good Food!

Don't come to camp to be your camper's friend. Come to be their counselor first—friendship will follow. Make it clear to your campers that they will all have abundant fun even by following camp rules. **CAMP RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED!** Come with the attitude that you are there for the kids. Camp is all about the kids. Your comfort, pleasure, sleep, etc., comes last. If you will do this, you'll leave exhausted but will have gotten more out of camp than the kids. No camp is perfect, no leaders are perfect, but God's will IS perfect. Come with openness to God's leading. Prepare in advance through much prayer for an openness to God's will at camp, pray for the strength and energy you'll need at camp, and for open hearts and minds to Christ's love. There can never be too many eyes watching out for all the kids' welfare, both physical and spiritual. Don't limit your view to include only your cabin. Help each other out. Help the kids stay focused—especially in the Bible trainings. *Craig Warmouth*

Camp is definitely not a vacation, don't come expecting rest and relaxation. Camp is hard—but very fulfilling—work. Always, always, establish absolute control (commanding respect and obedience) on the first night of camp. This clears the way for the rest of your week to run more smoothly. Bring bug spray and a big flashlight. Hill train before you go (so you'll be able to breathe easy before the end of the camp week). *Christina Colceri*

Participate along side your kids in ALL games and activities. Behave as if you are having great fun—even when you're not. Be patient with your kids. Set a good example, they're watching you. *Lisa Beauchamp*

Effective counseling is not independent living. Example: If you are not a team player in seeing that the kids get adequate sleep they will very likely want to sleep through their Bible hours. *Tom Dreanth—Jr. High Bible Speaker 2003*

From *Karen & Susie Croxford*:

1. Come prepared to do devotions twice a day.
2. Have your Bible marked ready for easy access during your “one-on-one” times with your campers. (Mark the salvation verses you’ll be using.)
3. Bring “stuff” for the cabin-clean-up competition: construction paper, scissors, glue, crayons or markers, balloons, etc., anything for decorating your cabin for extra credit and fun. (specifically juniors)
4. Bring an alarm clock and a powerful flashlight.
5. Bring personal items in case one of your campers (female) gets a surprise during camp.

### ***2003 BIBLE SPEAKERS THEMES***

#### **Jr. Camp Counselors**

Dan Rachoy’s theme for the week is the Roman Road—using as a springboard of interest some of the Sponge Bob cartoons. He will be issuing to you the outlines of his studies and suggestions for use with (one of) your daily cabin devotional times.

#### **Jr. High Counselors**

Tom Dreanth will be teaching on the Life of Christ. Many of his lessons will be reenactments of events in Christ’s life and will be held at various places around the campgrounds. He will be providing you with materials to use during (one of) your daily devotional times with your campers.

#### **Sr. Hi. Counselors**

Josh White will be teaching on Christian Character, i.e. what kind of person does Christ want you to be? While we are all created unique, what characteristics indicate growth in Christ.

### ***EMERGENCY PROCEDURES***

A camp nurse will be on hand for all physical crises. If your camper is injured, ask another counselor to watch over your cabin while you take your camper to the nurse for first aide or whatever is required.

Fire drills will be conducted per safety requirements. Be aware of how your campers should exit any building, be aware of where your campers are at all times, and should you hear the camp’s fire siren (continuous ringing of bell), herd all your campers to the game field to be accounted for. You will be briefed on these procedures at the first staff meeting.

## CAMPER INFORMATION

### ***“MUST DO’S” IN DEALING WITH DIFFICULT CAMPER***

All behavior has a purpose. If we can understand the purpose, we can better determine the most appropriate response. When emotional, physical, social, or spiritual needs are not met, kids will act out to ward off painful feelings. As behavior problems arise, question, “Is there a need this camper has, which if met would eliminate the behavior?” Do not hesitate to ask for help if needed. (Follow the line of authority; they are there to help you.)

Respect your camper. Separate his/her behavior from their value in Christ. Listen to your camper; discern prayerfully between the lines what they are needing from you. Give genuine praise whenever you can. Work to your camper’s strengths, be patient with their weaknesses. Pray for your campers.

Set clear boundaries. Camp rules are made to keep all concerned safe and to make camp a fun and safe environment for everyone. Respect that. Be honest and up front with your campers, tell them you expect them to follow the rules, and that their “fun” will not be sacrificed on the altar of obedience. Be fair and even keeled when dealing with difficult situations.

Encourage responsibility. Provide opportunities for campers to have input and make some decisions. Everyone grows from having increased responsibility. Camp provides a natural environment for learning new skills and developing responsible behavior.

Avoid ultimatums. Use thinking words vs. fighting words. Put responsibility on the camper for the solution. Avoid power struggles—they require a winner and loser. We don’t want any losers, only winners. Therefore with any request you have for your camper, *help them* meet the request honorably.

Provide information as requested by the camper. A rational question deserves a rational response. When the question moves beyond the immediate situation, campers are no longer interested in information, they are challenging authority and structure. Staff response needs to be clear, specific, and have enforceable limits.

**Be aware of whose issue it is. A counselor's need for power and control should never supersede the best interest of the camper. Most power struggles are continued because of staff's inappropriate responses to camper's needs.**

Keep in mind; the assertion of power suppresses creativity. Empowerment is a two way street.

Role model enthusiasm and acceptance. "I don't become what *you think* I can, and I don't become what *I think* I can. I become what *I think you think* I can. (Source unknown.) Modeling is the single most effective teaching tool. Children mirror adult behavior. Therefore be a Christ like mentor.

The gift of our words has a tremendous impact on a camper's life and behavior. During biblical times, receiving a blessing was a moment of high treasure. We can share the essential aspects of a blessing with our campers by:

- Calling them by name
- Be proud: Express pride verbally and non-verbally (gentle squeeze on the shoulder).
- Reinforce their value and intrinsic good qualities.
- Picture a special future for them.

There are three tools that each staff member needs to consider throughout their camp experience:

1. A LADDER to climb down into the holes which campers and staff dig themselves into. (Join them at their point of need.)
2. A GIANT EAR to hear what is not being said.
3. A personalized COMPUTER CHIP which is used to reprogram the negative messages which have been ingrained in the lives of the campers.

### ***TECHNIQUE FOR DEALING WITH DIFFICULT BEHAVIOR***

Discipline involves teaching internal self-control. Punishment is demeaning, imposing of power. As a camp staff person, we are not given any authority to use corporal punishment.

ALWAYS separate the behavior from the person.

- A. One minute Counselor Discipline
  - 1. Set goals.
  - 2. 1-minute praise.
  - 3. 1-minute reprimand.
  
- B. Natural consequences—allow to experience results of behavior
  - 1. Failure is an event, not a person.
  - 2. Saccrapria Moth: Allow the struggle, it's part of growth.
  - 3. Balance with developmental appropriateness.
  
- C. Incentives—give specific goals to shoot for
  - 1. Plan together for reward for targeted behavior.
  - 2. Keep track (notice) progress.
  - 3. Spend time together with said camper as a positive incentive.
  
- D. Time Out—remove from situation, give time to cool down (short term)
  
- E. Saturation—repeat the behavior over and over
  - 1. Purpose to heighten awareness or teach appropriate self-control.
  - 2. Use with discretion: never degrade self-esteem.
  
- F. HUMOR—a smile at the right time can defuse a tough situation
  - 1. Offset intensity: remain objective in the intensity of a crisis.
  - 2. Will not work without relationship, use with sensitivity.
  - 3. Allow child/staff to laugh at self; teach to enjoy life. Must be modeled by staff.
  
- G. Planned ignoring
  - 1. All behavior has a purpose, when purpose is to get attention, may be best to not notice.
  - 2. Best to communicate plan first, then follow through (camper needs to know if he/she is being ignored on purpose because behavior won't be rewarded with notice.)
  - 3. Give clear alternative of how can get positive attention
  - 4. Never compromise safety

H. Restructuring—change something to allow for a new opportunity

1. Do not fear losing control.
2. If goal is success, be willing to try something new to allow need to be met.
3. Ask: What do you think? What do you need right now?

Should any camper (or staff member) go beyond the limits of acceptable behavior and refuse to comply with camp rules and policies, it will be up to the camp director to decide if or when that individual will be sent (taken) down the hill, thus losing the remainder of their week of camp experience. This is always the last resort, but does happen when necessary.

### **IF JESUS WERE MY COUNSELOR**

If Jesus were my counselor he would know me — I'm sure of that.

He'd know my name very well

and how old I am

and when my birthday is.

He'd know what I like

and what I dislike...

my hobbies, my habits, my hang ups.

And that's a wonderful thing — to be known by someone. It's a rare and wonderful thing — to really be known.

Not only would Jesus know me, but he would notice me.

He'd notice my new shirts

and shoes, my missing teeth

and bandaged fingers...

My trembling chin and the tear streaks on my dirty face.

And he would let me know very clearly that he noticed. Not only would it not escape his perception...

I'd know that he noticed.

He would hear me, too. Really hear me. He would be more concerned with what I mean than with what I say, what I'm thinking than the accuracy of my words. He would understand why I said what I did. It would make sense to Him and I'd never feel "wrong." Always He'd be affirming me even when mistaken, knowing the way I was thinking and what I was thinking about.

If Jesus were my counselor he would value me more than accuracy. I would be more important than anything else. More than...

stories, texts, songs and offering, and even more than the furniture.  
And I would know that I was the most valuable part of everything we did.

If Jesus were my counselor he would pay attention to what I feel as much as to what I think.

Clearly and unmistakably he would let me know that he knew what I was feeling...and that he cared.

When my friend moved away, he'd say to me, "It hurts to lose a close friend."  
And I'd realize the lousy, empty feeling in my stomach was loneliness, and knowing that, I would feel a little better...

and some of it would go away when I sensed he was carrying it with me.  
For He would reach inside me and carefully draw out the grief...I didn't even know was there, and he's making it better.

And when I came to class one day bouncing with joy and excitement over the birth of my baby sister...

He'd set aside the lesson for forty minutes  
as we celebrated together all it means  
to be a brother/sister...  
God's gift of life...  
The excitement and wonder this event had brought.  
Then briefly we'd get back to work. In a few short minutes we learned the lesson twice as fast, twice as well.

Yes, He'd know me, notice me, hear me, value me, pay attention to me and to what I feel, but also this is just a little different...

He'd listen to me.  
When our cabin rushed in clamoring and shouting and I stopped to say  
"My Grandma died last night,"  
He would hear and care, not absently remark, "That's nice, now take your seat,"  
But kneel beside me and put his arms around me...healing me in ten seconds more than I ever knew was possible. And then we would talk about it with the others...  
everything else suddenly unimportant.

He'd be unafraid to talk of death, so willing to speak of it honestly without smoothing it over...making it nice when it really isn't.  
And wonder of wonders, there would even be tears in his eyes.

Another thing he would do, I'm sure, is entrust me with his feelings, too...sharing from his life...

joys, excitement...

hurts, fears and disappointments...

appropriately presented as gifts from him to us...

And from this mutuality would develop a relationship I could never forget.

For I was allowed into his life...

and I know him as a person

Not a counselor...

One so like me...yet so different. So like me and still so different I would aspire to be like him far more than if he merely came from "on high" and taught me what was right and true.

Oh yes! He would respect me! Already at age four or six, eight, ten or twelve...He'd respect me. Strange, bizarre and heretical as my growing mind might be, He'd never say...

"You don't really think that way," or

"You'll change your mind when you're older."

Knowing the saving, satisfying, nourishing power of respect he would never be worried or threatened by my divergent thinking. Accepting my unacceptable ideas, He'd win me to himself forever and my heart would tell my mind to wander less and follow Him.

*He'd treat me in a way that honored my relationship with God.*

*I'd never get the feeling from Him that*

*big people are closer to God than kids are.*

## **CAMPER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

### ***CAMPER ACCOUNTS***

Camper's spending money is collected on arrival day and deposited in a canteen account under their name. They can then retrieve monies each day as needed. This is done to protect each camper from theft. The amount that can be withdrawn out of the camp bank will be limited to a specific dollar amount.

### ***GENERAL RULES***

1. No Walkmans, radios, stereos, or electronic games are allowed in camp.
2. No fireworks or matches are allowed.
3. Campers need to refrain from vulgar language. No smoking, alcoholic beverages, use of drugs (except prescription drugs through the Health Center).
4. Campers are not to leave the campgrounds except under supervision.
5. No knives, guns, or other weapons are allowed.
6. Campers are to dress modestly.
7. Campers are to follow the daily schedule.

### ***CABIN INSPECTION***

All camper cabins are inspected daily and are entered in a week long competition. Cabins are to be neat and orderly inside and out. Some areas included in inspections are: litter in and out of cabin, clotheslines, floors, beds, shelves, etc.

### ***HEALTH AND SAFETY***

The Health Center is well equipped, and the camp nurse is on call 24 hours a day. A bed is available for isolation patient care. Emergency medical care will be administered by our certified nurse and referred to the nearest medical center as deemed necessary.

## CAMP DRESS CODE

Our objective is modesty. Girls- MODEST tops, no short shorts, undergarments must be worn and covered at all times. No tobacco or alcohol related shirts, Modest bathing suits, IE: one piece or tankini. Boys- Pants MUST cover underwear. No tobacco or alcohol related shirts.

## SHARING CHRIST WITH YOUR CAMPERS

Sharing Christ with your camper or anyone else is a great privilege and God may use you to lead one or more of them to Christ. While we certainly do not regard evangelism as the only ministry of camp it certainly is one job that must be done. Sharing the Gospel will be a part of our one-on-one times with the kids or whenever the Lord gives you the opportunity. If all your kids come to camp as Christians then equip them to share Christ with others. You will multiply your ministry.

Leading anyone to Christ as usually a team effort, I Cor 3:6f "I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth..." Kids will hear the gospel from the Bible teachers, yourselves and maybe from another counselor or staff member. They should be given several opportunities to accept Christ from you or someone else as the Spirit leads, but it is our responsibility to share with them one on one. If this prospect is frightening to you then you are like the rest of us...and like Paul who said, "...I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling, and my message ...were not in persuasive words of wisdom..." Fortunately, ". God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and ...the weak things ...to shame the ...strong..." I Cor 1:27;2:3f so some of us are well qualified!

A few bits of good news here: 1. God is faithful 2. God answers prayer so come to camp with lots of prayer support. If you have a CIT have them pray while you share or you pray while they share. This is the pilot/co-pilot principle and it works. 3. The Holy Spirit will help, Acts 1:8;4:29; John 16:6f. Rom 8:14. 4. Being well prepared increase your confidence. Know the outline of the gospel thoroughly along with appropriate verses and a few illustrations. Bring materials that help and can be given to kids, Eph 6:10f. 5. Don't be afraid to ask for help from others. 6. We don't need to be ashamed of the gospel, Rom 1:16f. 7. When you are ready for the one-on-one you have already established a relationship with the kid and probably already discussed his family background, school, hobbies, sports, social life, problems, church background, how camp is going for them,

do they understand the Bible speaker and other relevant subjects. So you really have common ground established and should easily transition into the Gospel, especially since it is a Christian camp and you have a perfect right to discuss spiritual things with them. You may, however, wish to ask some questions to find out where they are at in their understanding and belief. These might include such questions as, "Do you believe in Heaven and Hell?" "Do you know whether or not you are going to Heaven?" "How do you think God decides who gets to go?" "Who do you think Jesus Christ is?"

The Gospel includes only 3-4 points. It is simple though I've given you extra verses. Follow the outline so you don't forget something important like the Resurrection of Christ or forget to actually ask them if they want to receive Christ by faith and lead them through prayer to "Call on the name of the Lord to be saved." Rom 10:13; Acts 2:21. Don't worry about using a "canned approach." In the midst of confusion, distractions, Satanic darts, tangents you need to have a plan even while we depend on the Spirit to lead. Having a plan helps you feel prepared and keeps you on track. Questions and issues may come up but try to defer them until you get through the gospel unless a kid really doesn't believe one of the key points. You do have to honestly try to answer his questions then rather than after the gospel presentation. If he really doesn't have saving faith then you certainly wouldn't try to push him to a prayer of salvation though you may pray together for God to give wisdom Jas 1, John 7:17; Jeremiah 29:13f. Have confidence in the Word of God. Heb 4:12 and the power of the Holy Spirit to eventually get thru to him, John 16:6f.

## The Plan of Salvation

I. We have all sinned and our sins separate us from God.

A. Rom 3:23. We have all sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

B. Rom 6:23. For the wages of sin is death but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Show him the verses in your pocket NT. It is the Word of God that has power. If you use KJV smooth out the language as necessary, remember these are kids.

C. You cannot work your way to Heaven by good works. The Grand Canyon illustration is old but still works. You cannot jump across the Grand Canyon or build a bridge with toothpicks and glue could you? Neither can we get to Heaven

by our good works, rituals, church involvement, intellect, etc. I like to mention that even Mother Theresa couldn't get to Heaven on works. Verses on works include Rom 4:4-5; 3:19-26 [if you use define the hard words]; Gal 2:16, 20-21; 3:10f; Jas 2:10 [even one sin keeps you out]; Matt 5:22; 28. You won't use all the verses given here but keep them handy, you may meet a hard case!

D. Mention judgment and Hell even to Junior kids. Don't dwell on it but they have a right to know about the facts of life, death and eternity. Rev 20; II Thes 1;8f; Matt 10:28; Heb 9:27; Romans 6:23.

## II. Jesus Christ is the only answer.

A. Who He is- the creator of the Universe and Lord of all. John 1; Col 1:15f. He came down from Heaven, was born of the Virgin Mary [esp. mention if the kid has Catholic background], and lived a perfect life of loving and helping others and doing miracles Heb 2:14; 4:15; Phil 2:5f; John 11 [miracle of raising the dead].

B. He died on the cross for our sins and in our place. Heb 9:22 "...all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sin." Eph 1:7; You can briefly mention here that the Jews of the OT offered blood sacrifices for sins. Jesus' once and for all death on the cross ended that system. "He carried our sins in His own body on the cross so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness..." I Pet 2:24. Also Rom 5:8; II Cor 5:21; I John 2:2; etc.

C. Jesus was buried and raised the third day and appeared to Peter, James, John, all the apostles, later more than 500 saw Him alive. You must use I Cor 15:3-6 which has the facts in a nutshell. Post resurrection appearances are powerful evidence that Christ was raised, Luke 24; John 20; Matt 28; Phil 2. Acts 1 tells us that he appeared to them for 40 days giving many convincing proofs.

D. Jesus is the only way to God. John 14:6; I Tim 2:5; Acts 4:12. You could pull out your keys and talk about how they look alike but only one opens the door to your house, in the same way only faith in Jesus is the only key to Heaven in spite of all the other religions that do not have a Risen Savior.

## III. Faith in Christ saves.

A. It is a free gift; Eph 2:8-9; Rom 10:9-13;5:1; 4:4-5; Tit 3:5; John 3:16f; 6:47; Act 13:39; 16:31; I John 5:11f. Ask them if they would like to receive Christ as Savior. Ask them if they would like to receive Christ now. This may well be the most difficult part of the presentation since Satan doesn't want you to actually have them receive Christ but be content with only the head knowledge like King Agrippa Act 26:28.

B. You must call on the Lord to be saved Rom 10:9-13; Act 2:21. Lead them thru a simple prayer that reiterates the gospel simply and have them repeat it after you. You have not done your job if you don't follow through on this if they are willing. You don't go fishing and only throw bait into the water. You want the fish in the boat. Make up your own prayer. I say something like this, "Dear God, I know that I'm a sinner and don't deserve to go to Heaven. But I believe that Jesus died on the cross for my sins; and that His blood took my sins away. I know that He is the Lord and that He is alive. Come into my life, please forgive my sins and give me eternal life as you promised. In Jesus' name, amen.

C. At this point review the whole presentation briefly and maybe ask questions to make sure they understand it. Quick follow-up is good here, a brief mention of eternal security [junior kids intuitively know that Jesus will never leave them Heb 13:5; Rom 8:37; Eph 1:13]; the importance of reading a little of the Bible daily [give them a NT if they don't have one]; explain how simple prayer is, and the importance of attending a church where the Bible is taught. They have already been exposed to some of this or they wouldn't be at Camp.

This outline is pretty well followed in several booklets that I want to make available to you before or during camp. These include, Bridging the Gap, Steps to Peace With God [Graham]; The Four Spiritual Laws [Campus Crusade]. Some of these begin by discussing God's love for us as a preliminary step, John 3:16; 10:10b, and this is a good and positive way to begin the presentation, I just tried to keep it simple with a 3 point outline. Child Evangelism Fellowship long ago developed The Wordless Book that uses the colors gold for Heaven and God's love for us, black for sin, red for the blood [don't forget the resurrection of Christ!], white for forgiveness and green for growing in Christ. They have many variations on the colors theme including a neat little cube that also works and has pictures. Lynn Warmouth sent me one to use. Another approach that has worked well for me for years is The Two Ways that shows the choice of the road to

Heaven or Hell and a crossroads. You can ask them what road they are on and let them tell you and why. Sin is depicted as a load that pulls us down to Hell, Jesus took that load when He died on the cross and raised again.

Another tool that you may develop is to make a notebook with pictures from these tracts supplemented with pictures of Jesus from your church Sunday School files [put them back after you duplicate them at Kinko's]. You can reproduce to 8x11, punch holes and put in a regular notebook. This is a very good tool that I've used for years even with adults. We live in a visual age so pictures help.

I'm enclosing several samples of booklets so that you can pick whatever you are comfortable using. Bring something else if you like but follow the gospel outline, that is key to the salvation of the kids you are ministering to. And pray for all of us serving at Camp. Lord willing, see you there. Call anytime I can be of any help to you.

Your co-worker,  
Don Bruszer 323-566-2210

**Notes:**