

Jr. High Jubilee at Mo Ranch

JUNE 30-JULY 5, 2018

Join with other youth from around the Presbytery of Arkansas this summer at the Jr. High Jubilee at Mo Ranch! Jr. High Jubilee is open to youth who are currently in grades 6 through 8. It is a time to grow in faith in Jesus Christ, to enjoy being with other Presbyterian youth experiencing the beauty of creation, worshipping God, singing, dancing, playing in the rapids, swimming and canoeing in the river, sharing in small groups, seeing old friends and making new ones. We hope you can join us!

Who can go? Any current 6th-8th grader in the Presbytery of Arkansas! Churches can send a group of students, or students can register on their own.

What is it? An amazing conference for Jr. High students that happens every year at Mo Ranch (a Presbyterian camp and conference center in South Texas). It brings in about 250 other 6th-8th graders from all over Texas and the surrounding states!

When is it? June 30-July 5, 2018. We'll depart from Little Rock on June 30, spend the night in Dallas, then arrive at Mo Ranch on July 1. We'll get back to Little Rock late in the evening on July 5.

Where is it? Mo Ranch Presbyterian Conference Center in the Texas Hill Country, near Hunt, TX. The Guadalupe River runs right through it, and it's simply beautiful! Find out more or see pictures at www.moranch.com.

How much does it cost? \$560. That includes transportation, the conference registration fee, a t-shirt, and meals and housing at Mo Ranch. Meals while traveling (2 lunches and 2 dinners) will be out-of-pocket. A \$200 deposit (non-refundable) is required to secure your spot. **Spots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis until all spots are filled, so get your registration in early!** The balance of the trip fee is due March 30, 2018.* Only those students who are paid in full by March 30 will be registered for the conference.

How do I pay for this? We strongly encourage local churches to help individuals fund their trip, whether that be through a fundraiser or from budget funds. Many churches pay for 1/3 or 1/2 of the trip cost. Individuals should discuss this with their Pastor, Educator, Youth Worker, or Clerk of Session. Some scholarship money is available through the Presbytery. Please do not let finances keep you from joining us on this trip! For more information about scholarships, please contact Rachel Cowan, Adult Moderator of the Youth Advisory Team, at rscowan@yahoo.com.

Who chaperones the trip? Adults (21 or older) selected by the Presbytery's Youth Advisory Team. This year's Trip Advisors will be Whitney Bordelon (Trip Leader) from Park Hill Presbyterian, North Little Rock and Jared Brown from Trinity Presbyterian, Little Rock. Adult Advisors work hard before, during, and after the trip to ensure a safe, fun, and faith-building experience for all. Adult chaperones are required to complete a background check through the Presbytery.

How will we get there? We will be traveling in a chartered bus. Cline Tours, the bus company, is fully-licensed and insured.

How many spots are there? We have registered for 15 youth spots and 3 adults spots. Spots will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. If we have more people register than this, we will gladly attempt to add them (if we are able to increase our lodging and registration spots through the conference, and if there are bus seats left). A waiting list will be kept if needed. Get your registrations in early to secure your spot!

Questions? Contact Whitney Bordelon at wbordelon1976@icloud.com.

**No refunds can be made after March 30, unless we can find someone to fill your spot — we will have already sent payment to Mo Ranch and to the bus company. If you must drop out of the trip after March 30 and we can find another youth to fill your spot (every effort will be made, but no guarantees!), we will refund your trip fees, minus your deposit. Thanks for understanding!*



Presbytery of Arkansas Youth Summer Trips 2018 Registration and Personal Information Form

Mail to:
Presbytery of Arkansas Youth Summer Trips Registration
9221 N. Rodney Parham Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72227
With \$200 deposit
by February 28, 2018

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CURRENT 6TH-8TH GRADERS

\$560 (\$280 FOR ADULT ADVISORS)

Church: _____ City: _____

Youth name: _____ Grade: _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Sex: M F

Youth cell phone: _____ T-shirt size (adult sizes): _____

Youth email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home phone: _____ Parent cell: _____

Parent/ Guardian Name/s: _____

Parent/ Guardian email: _____

To be signed by the youth participant:

- Yes, I am excited to attend a Summer Trip with the Presbytery of Arkansas! I agree to be open and welcoming to new experiences, people, and faith; to be an engaged part of the group; and to have fun!

Youth signature Date

To be signed by the parent/ guardian:

- Yes, I want my son/ daughter to be a part of one of these amazing, faith-building trips!
- Acknowledgement of Financial Policy.** I understand that a \$200 deposit (non-refundable) is due with this registration form and that the balance of trip fees is due by March 30, 2018 (only those paid in full by March 30 will be registered for the conference). I understand that no refunds can be made after March 30 unless we find someone to take my son/daughter's spot. I understand that if my son/ daughter must drop out of the trip after March 30 and we can find another youth to fill his/her spot (every effort will be made, but no guarantees!), I will receive a refund for trip fees paid, minus my deposit.

Parent/ Guardian signature Date

Other Stuff You Might Want to Know About Presbytery of Arkansas' Summer Trips

Who is sponsoring these trips?

The Youth Advisory Team of the Presbytery of Arkansas. The Presbytery will handle all registration details, arrange transportation, and provide Adult Advisors (21 or older for Middle School trips; 23 and older for Sr. High trips). The Presbytery's budget supplements the cost of this trip, pays for the Trip Leader's fees and helps to pay for the other adult advisors, and decreases each participant's fees.

What is the Youth Advisory Team (YAT)?

The Youth Advisory Team is made up of youth (10th-12th graders), college-aged students, and adults who care about young people and about Youth Ministry. The Youth Advisory Team plans events and trips, which are open to all youth in the Presbytery. If you are interested in serving on the YAT, or if you have questions, please contact the 2017-2018 YAT Moderator, Rachel Cowan, at rscowan@yahoo.com.

How is registration handled?

For financial and logistical reasons, space is limited on summer trips, so spots will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis! The registration deadline is February 28. Registrations received after February 28 may be accepted if spots are still available, but are not guaranteed. You are encouraged to register early to secure your spot! A Waiting List will be kept if needed.

What happens after I register?

Youth and parents will be emailed after February 28 to confirm that their registration was received. If no confirmation email is received, please contact wbordelon1976@icloud.com or jaredotisbrown@gmail.com. Closer to the date of each trip, participants will receive more information about the trip, including conference-specific forms that must be filled out and returned.

How can my church encourage youth to attend?

Please make sure information about these trips gets into the hands of the Youth Ministry team at your church! Churches are encouraged to consider paying a portion of the trip fee for those youth attending from your church. You are also encouraged to support your youth in prayer before, during, and after the trip!

Who do I contact with questions?

Contact Trip Leader Whitney Bordelon (wbordelon1976@icloud.com).

How do I find out more about Presbytery of Arkansas Youth Ministry Offerings?

"Like" our Facebook Page!

www.facebook.com/PresbyteryofArkansasYouthMinistry

Watch the website:

<http://www.presbyteryofarkansas.org/firmYouthCouncil.aspx>

You'll find information there to keep you updated about these trips and other offerings by the Presbytery!