



The Blizzard Bee

VBS 2016 PREVIEW

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF VBS-2016

SPECIAL EDITION



VBS 2016 Ready to Chill Out

Resort Schedule

DAILY

- 8:45 Welcome Center Opens
- 9:00 Opening Resort Activities
- 9:30 Lodge Time
- 10:00 Snack Time
- 11:40 Closing Resort Activities
- 12:00 Guests Depart

MONDAY

Official VBS T-shirts handed out

TUESDAY

- Wear your VBS T-shirt today
- Guest pictures taken

THURSDAY

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MONDAY-THURSDAY

Recreation time at Arctic Slope

TUESDAY-THURSDAY

Craft Summit open to guests

FRIDAY

- Water Play Day at Arctic Slope
- Closing Ceremony & Arctic Blast Party in the Welcome Center beginning promptly at 6:30 PM.
- Don't miss the big finish to VBS 2016!

Do you feel the cold front coming? Ready to break out those winter jackets in the middle of June? It's getting mighty chilly at Glacier Bay Resort and Convention Center, but don't worry, our Lodges are ready to be filled with the warmth that comes from knowing that all things are possible with God!

We just wanted you to know that all of the rooms are prepared, Room Service is all stocked up with snacks, the staff at Arctic Slope and Craft Summit have reported in, and we are counting the hours until you arrive at the Glacier Bay Resort and Convention Center Welcome Center — which we call the Hub for short.

In the meantime, you're probably wondering what to pack for your five-day stay in the Great White North. Well safety is the big thing to remember. Don't let the cold fool you. You can still get a nasty sunburn while playing outside, so be



sure to arrive each day with sunscreen already applied.

Hydration in the cool, dry air is important too. So that means all of our guests should drink as much water as possible all day. There will be plenty available, and if we run short we'll just melt some snow — so long as it's not yellow. Ewwwww!

And although Glacier Bay is famous for being a casual dress resort, we still require everyone to wear closed-toe shoes, especially when playing outdoors. No flip-flops allowed, so leave them at home. Which also begs the question, is there such a thing as a closed toe snow shoe? See you soon!

Glacier Bay Resort Hit with Unusual Bible Shortage

The management of Glacier Bay Resort regrets to inform its guests that a Bible shortage has struck the area.

It seems that the Gideons, world renowned for their tireless efforts to ensure every hotel room has a Bible placed in it, happened to have their annual convention at Glacier Bay Resort last month.

So, you know how



when you stay at a hotel you usually leave the Bible there so others can read it? Well, it turns out Gideons are not only great at leaving Bibles for others, many also figure that the Bible

in their room must have been placed there for them to take home. Only seems natural!

As a result, we are asking all of our guests attending the VBS 2016 conference this week to please bring in their own Bibles from home each day.

You will get a lot of great practice looking up verses and learn more about your Bible!

Attention All Parents

By now all VBS registered guests should have received in the mail a postcard like this one. It shows who their Lodge Manager will be and what row they will sit in when they come to the Glacier Bay Resort and Conference Center Welcome Center, also known as the Worship Center. If you have any questions about which row your child belongs in, please contact Resort Director Kris Pakulak in the church office.



Are you ready to check in for a fun week of kicking back and enjoying our luxurious resort in the cold. We're getting Glacier Bay Resort all set to help you learn how much God loves us all, I'll be your personal Lodge Manager and I can't wait to see you and begin our week together. See you soon and be sure to bundle up and dress warm!

NOTE TO PARENTS
VBS begins on June 20. Please arrive in the Worship Center no later than 8:55 a.m. Once there, please bring your child to ROW # ____ There you will meet your teacher and pick up the security badge you will need to safely pick up your child at floor.

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Has it really been a whole year since the last time we gathered for VBS? If you're returning, welcome back! If you're new to this adventure, it's great to have you join us. You're in for a real special treat!

We hope you're enjoying this special preview edition of *The Blizzard Bee*, our daily VBS 2016 newsletter. Here we'll have helpful reminders, a peek at the daily Bible lesson and all the news that we can print. Take it home, go over it with your child and use it to share the excitement of VBS with your family.

And if you hear a fun story about VBS from your child, share it with us! We may even include it in the newsletter. Text your news tips to 321-698-0591 or send e-mail to vbs2016@aol.com. Be sure to include all the names and details you can. If we have any questions, we'll get in touch with you.

We'll see you real soon!

Safety is the top priority at VBS

Parents, here's what you need to know about dropping off your kids each morning for VBS beginning absolutely no earlier than 8:45 AM, and what you'll need to do to check them out again promptly at NOON.

Each child is assigned to sit in a specific row in the Worship Center. You should have seen that row number on the postcard you received in the mail. If you didn't get a postcard or forgot the number, see the Check In table in the Worship Center lobby when you arrive at VBS.

With the row number in hand, bring your child directly to the Worship Center and check in with the adult teacher or aide. They will give a name badge to your child and an identical badge to you.

Whoever picks up your child at NOON must have that second badge to "claim" your child. Please make every effort to ensure you do not lose the second badge.

If a different person will be picking up your child, please be sure to tell your child's

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teacher or aide who that person will be, and then be sure that the second badge is passed along to that person. In some cases a teacher may ask to see that person's ID.

If you don't have the second badge you cannot pick up your child without first checking in with Pastor Ann, Kris Pakulak or Becky Durance — even if the teacher knows who you are. No exceptions!

We do this because we love your kids as much as you do and want to

make sure we do everything we can to keep everyone safe with so many people running around. Have any questions or concerns? Please see Resort Director Kris Pakulak.



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