

ZONA CAMP 2026

LEADER PACKET

Dates: June 29th - July 3rd, 2026

Cost: \$399 per person

Speaker: Trey VanCamp

Music: Tim Craig

Location: California Baptist University

To register your youth group, visit zonacamp.com

Payments should be sent to: ZONA Camp

Arizona Mission Network
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Phoenix, AZ 85029

For help with any of the forms or questions in general
please call Jessica Barker at (602)843-1030 or email jbarker@azmn.org.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND TIMELINE

January 2026

- You can begin to register your group for Zona Camp 2026 at **zonacamp.com with the Early Bird rate of \$349!**
- All experiences except Core Experience have limited availability. Space is determined on a first come first serve basis and early registration is encouraged.
- Through our registration system, the youth leader will reserve spots for the church. This reservation will create a group code for the youth leader to share with parents/guardians who can then register their students and fill out relevant paperwork.
 - *We recommend reserving the number of spots you will be able to fill. You may add additional spots later dependent on availability.*
- Churches will have access to a dashboard that shows them their registration numbers and details.

April 15th 2026

- Early Bird Rate closes. In order to lock in this rate (\$349), a deposit of \$100 is due and the online registration must be completed. The Early Bird rate is determined on an individual basis.
 - Payments can be made via check sent to the Arizona Mission Network office or by using the "GIVE" button on azmn.org and selecting 'Zona Camp Registration' in the drop-down menu.
- After April 15th, the rate for registrations will go up to \$399.

May 31st 2026

- All registrations MUST be complete, and final numbers must be turned in. Registrations will be accepted up to this date dependent on available space.
- Following this date, each church will work with Zona team to assign housing for their group.
- More details about this process will be provided.
- The timing of completing housing assignments may vary depending on CBU's scheduling
- All leaders must have submitted their background check and online Child Abuse Awareness training.

Upon Arrival at Camp (June 29, 2026)

- Youth leader will check in their church group in the camp office.
- Youth leader must verify they have submitted a picture of every student for safety purposes.



GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ZONA CAMP

Total Cost

Total camp cost is \$399 per person (students and leaders). The Early Bird Rate of \$349 will be available until April 15th

Length of Camp

Camp begins with dinner on Monday and concludes with breakfast Friday.

Check-in will take place on Monday from 2pm-4pm.

Age Requirement for Campers

Entering seventh grade fall of 2026 (completed 6th grade) through newly graduated seniors in high school.

Leaders

Leaders must be at least 21 years of age. The church must bring at least one leader per eight students. The church is responsible for selecting responsible and spiritually mature leaders. Leaders will be responsible for leading small groups, nightly church devotions, participating in recreation and worship activities, assisting their youth in matters of discipline, dress, first aid, curfew, and spiritual matters. Leaders must pass a background check through the AZMN every 3 years. Each leader must also complete an online Child Abuse Awareness training to be completed by May 31st, 2026 (must be completed every other year). Zona Camp also recommends that the church perform a social media check on all volunteers to ensure the leader is qualified for work with youth. Any leader who will be driving students for Mission Life is to maintain a clean driving record which will be verified by the AZMN.

Insurance, First Aid, and Health Office

Churches are to provide proof of insurance listing the Arizona Mission Network as additional insured. Each church is to bring a first aid kit including items specified on page 3 of this document and handle any non-emergency health issues within their group including but not limited to bandages, over the counter medications, etc. In the case of emergency where 9-1-1 needs to be called, please contact CBU (number provided on your name badge) who will direct emergency services to the correct location on campus upon arrival.



GENERAL INFO ABOUT ZONA CAMP CONT.

Transportation

All churches must have transportation, or arrangements for transportation on campus to make medical trips if necessary. Bus drivers may be housed on campus at a reduced rate if communicated with Jessica by April 15. Bus drivers will be expected to complete the same safety policies as leaders, so please send Jessica their contact info as soon as they have been assigned. You will need to communicate clearly with the bus company that bedding, and toiletries are needed for housing and that CBU is an alcohol and smoke free campus. They must connect with the camp office upon arrival to be given parking instructions which will be dictated by CBU. If communicated in advance, bedding can be rented for a fee. It is the church's responsibility to work with parents to provide transportation home for students who must leave early due to illness or disciplinary issues. Churches sending students to Mission Experience MUST provide transportation.

Zona Safety Team

The Zona Safety Team exists to help create a fun, safe, and distraction-free environment where students can fully experience camp. This team is an additional resource for churches, working alongside youth pastors, Zona staff, CBU Safety Services, and when needed, the Riverside Police Department to ensure that every student is cared for throughout the week. While the full policies and procedures are still being finalized with CBU and our insurance partners, churches should know that Zona is strengthening its safety structure this year and that the Safety Team is an important part of that effort. We ask all churches to follow the Zona Handbook, take safety expectations seriously, and actively enforce camp rules among their students. The Zona Safety Team, in partnership with the Zona Administrative Team, serves as the agreed-upon authority for safety-related decisions during camp, providing support without replacing the vital leadership of each church.

Health Form and Liability Waiver

Each student and leader must fill out all forms as a part of the registration process. It is MANDATORY that these forms be signed and a copy of the Health Form must be kept by the church in case of emergency. You can contact Jessica to download copies of your students' health forms from the registration system. No student or leader will be permitted to stay at camp without completed Health forms and Liability Waiver forms. **For security reasons, youth leaders must digitally submit a clear, "passport style" photograph of each student they brought with them.**



GENERAL INFO ABOUT ZONA CAMP CONT.

Contagious Illnesses

No student or adult should come to camp if they have any contagious illness. Zona Camp will follow the direction of the state of California and California Baptist University should there be any cause for concern regarding contagious illnesses.

Students with Special Needs

Zona Camp is not equipped to provide one on one care for campers. If you have a student with special needs, the family and the church need to work together to determine if the camper's needs can be adequately met at Zona Camp.

Dietary Needs

The CBU dining hall provides plenty of options at every meal, and the staff can provide a gluten-free option upon request. For additional questions and concerns, please contact Jessica.

Worship Times

Zona Camp worship times are dynamic; utilizing music, drama, prayer, and visual effects to further demonstrate the daily biblical themes of camp. With a live band, these worship times will be loud and include varied lighting patterns. Anyone with sensory issues may wish to bring ear plugs or other resources for their comfort. If individuals with sensory issues need a separate space to participate in worship, chairs will be made available in the lobby.

Rooming Assignments

When rooming assignments are made, it is the goal of Zona Camp that no leader be placed in the same bedroom as a student. Zona Camp has an open-door policy, **no leader should ever be alone with a student**. It is recommended that churches discuss their expectations regarding rooming conduct and requirements ahead of time with procedures in place for discipline should that become necessary. Reach out to the Zona Team if you need help making a plan.

Check Out

All Zona Camp participants must be off campus by 10am on Friday, July 3rd. More details will be provided regarding new check-out procedures as we get closer to camp. In order to be good guests on the CBU campus, we ask that your church group do the following before leaving.

- Make sure all trash is in room trash cans or trash bags.
- Big trash items may be placed in outdoor living area trash cans/dumpsters.
- Gather all your belongings including belongings that may be in drawers and refrigerators. Double check.
- Close all windows, and doors when leaving the room.



EXPERIENCE CHOICES

Zona Camp has four Experiences for students to choose from. Experience schedule will be from after Morning Celebration until mid-afternoon. Below are the Experiences to choose from.

The Core Experience

The Core Experience is the heart of Zona Camp — a foundational, Christ-centered camp experience designed to help students not only encounter Jesus but build their faith for a lifetime. Over the course of camp, students dive into engaging Bible study, practical breakout sessions, and powerful worship, all intentionally crafted to strengthen their spiritual roots and equip them to live out their faith daily. Zona Core combines small-group connection, dynamic teaching, and fun activities so campers grow in community, deepen their relationship with God, and discover the essential truths that shape who they are in Christ. This core experience anchors the foundation of every Zona journey.

Mission Experience

Mission Experience is an off-campus mission opportunity for students who want a hands-on way to serve others. Students will have multiple opportunities to partner with outside organizations in Riverside to support and contribute to the ongoing work of these partner groups. An adult leader with sufficient transportation (proof of vehicle insurance required) for every student from their church who signs up for this experience is required, and a Mission Experience form must be completed for anyone participating. Drivers for Mission Experience must maintain a clean driving record, which will be verified by the AZMN.

Leadership Experience

The Leadership Experience offers three separate, three-day classes designed to help middle and high school students grow as leaders in their local church. Students will choose one class during registration; 101, 201, or 301. Each class focuses on a different stage of leadership development from understanding how you are wired, to the role you play in your local church, to living and leading others with purpose. The Leadership Experience is designed to follow a clear progression, with students taking the classes in order as they grow. Each morning at camp, students will gather in their Leadership Experience classroom for teaching, guided discussion, and classroom-based activity. In the afternoons, students have the opportunity to choose from a variety of breakout sessions to explore areas of interest and strengthen their leadership growth even further.



EXPERIENCE CHOICES CONT.

Leadership Experience Cont.

- **Leadership 101 — Discover Your Design**
 - Explore your identity in Christ, understand how God has uniquely wired you, and learn the habits that form strong and faithful leaders. Perfect for students stepping into leadership for the first time or already showing initiative.
- **Leadership 201 — Love Your Church**
 - Learn what the Bible teaches about the local church and discover how your gifts strengthen the body of Christ. Practice serving with a team and embracing your role as a contributor — not a consumer.
- **Leadership 301 — Lead With Purpose**
 - Take the next step by learning how to lead others spiritually. Gain confidence in sharing your faith, discipling others, and living every day on mission with the gospel.

To participate in the Leadership Experience, students must:

- Be currently in middle or high school
- Receive approval from their youth pastor or group leader
- Commit to attending all Leadership Experience morning sessions
- Show a willingness to learn, grow, and serve others
- Be a born-again Christian

Worship Experience

Worship Experience is an intensive training for instrumentalists, vocalists, and tech team members with a deep passion for cultivating worship in their church. Through hands-on instruction, students gain practical experience to lead worship effectively. The comprehensive training covers various aspects. Admission is contingent upon a video audition process to ensure that students possess the necessary proficiency levels to fully benefit from this transformative experience.



GENERAL GUIDELINES

Camp Dress

Since this is a Christian youth camp, we ask all campers/leaders to dress with this in mind. Church leaders are responsible for enforcing dress requirements.

- **The Following is Expected:**

- Undergarments are not displayed.
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses are at a length that will allow the wearer's finger tips to touch the garment when arms and hands are fully extended, while standing.
- All forms of clothing cover the wearer's midriff and, for females, the chest/bust area as well. The length of garments worn on the upper torso (i.e. shirts, tanks, blouses, sweaters) must cover or be covered by the wearer's waist band while standing.
- No tube tops or spaghetti straps are allowed.
- T-Shirts must be worn over swimsuits.
- Tank tops may be worn but straps must be two inches wide or wider
- All forms of clothing cover or rest on or above a wearer's hips.
- Bare feet are prohibited.
- Lewd clothing and clothing which displays alcohol, tobacco products, satanic symbols, and inappropriate language and/or symbols, is not permitted.

Skateboards

Skate Boards are permitted at CBU for specified areas of campus.

Camp Discipline

Concerning any discipline problem:

- The first level of resolution will be between the camper and his/her leader.
- If the problem is not resolved between camper and leader, the Camp Director will meet with all parties involved.
- If the problem cannot be resolved, it could result in the camper being sent home early at the church's expense.
- Any illegal activity will be handled by the police department.



GENERAL GUIDELINES CONT.

Camp Discipline

No Tolerance Issues that are immediately handled by the Camp Director:

- Knives, firearms, ammunition, or other weapons (air soft guns or any simulation of a firearm)
- Controlled substances, alcohol, or tobacco including vaping
- Sexual misconduct/harassment/abuse

What will get you sent home:

- Undesirable literature
- Food fights, or any other form of fighting
- Fireworks, explosives and/or highly flammable materials
- Pets
- Profanity, abusive or inconsiderate language
- Excessive noise
- Gambling
- Water balloons or shaving cream (except for the purpose of shaving)
- Use of candles, matches, or any type of open flame within buildings
- Bullying
- Irresponsible use of Social Media

Don't forget to pack:

- Bible, notebook, pencil
- Sleeping bag or bed roll and pillow
- Towels, washcloth, hand towel etc.
- Toiletries: soap, shampoo, toothbrush, etc.
- Clothes for 5 days – keeping in mind there will be time for worship, games, sports, etc.
- Close-toed shoes and work clothes for Mission Track
- Reusable water bottle- gotta stay hydrated!
- Sunscreen!
- Extra spending money for snacks
- COOPERATIVE SPIRIT AND ENTHUSIASM



MATERIALS NEEDED IN YOUR FIRST AID KIT

Required First Aid Materials

- Tylenol-Acetaminophen*
- Motrin- Ibuprofen*
- Aleve-Naprosyn*
- Pepto-Bismol*
- Benadryl*
- Hydrocortisone Cream*
- Neosporin*
- Band-Aids- various sizes
- Wound Cleanser with pain relief
- Aloe Vera with pain relief
- Sunscreen
- Cough Drops*
- Zicam*
- Bottle of Soap
- Gloves
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Glasses repair kit
- Ear plugs for anyone who might be sensitive to a loud worship experience

Recommended First Aid Materials

- Rapid COVID Tests- 1 for every 4 people in your group

*Please check your student's Health Form to ensure they can take this medication



GENERAL DAILY SCHEDULE

Meal times will vary by color group

Monday

2-	Registration
4:30pm	Youth Leaders Meeting
6:00pm	Dinner
8:00pm	Worship Prep
8:30pm	Opening Worship
10:00pm	Church Group Devotions
10:30pm	Late Night
11:30pm	In Rooms

Tuesday-Thursday

8:00am	Breakfast
9:00am	Youth Leaders Meeting
9:30am	Church Group Time
10:00am	Morning Celebration
11:00am	Zona Experience, Impact, Mission Life
12:30pm	Lunch
2:15pm	Zona Experience, Impact, Mission Life
3:30pm	Free Time
5:30pm	Dinner
7:00pm	Worship Prep
7:30pm	Evening Worship
9:00pm	Church Devotions
10:00pm	Late Night
11:00pm	In Rooms

Friday

8:00am	Breakfast & Check out
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