

## PINE ORCHARD CAMP – May 20, 2021

Following our 2020 AGM Meeting, our Board of Directors began consulting with our ministry committees and local Public Health officials to plan for ministry programs during our 2021 camping season. The onslaught of aggressive COVID variants of concern earlier this year brought about a Third Wave for the COVID pandemic resulting in widespread community transmission and breakouts particularly in vulnerable settings all across Canada. While Ontario's rollout of vaccinations has begun in earnest, it remains unclear when the implementation of all Public Health measures will restore conditions necessary to conduct our ministry programs. Due to the uncertainty for COVID-19 restrictions to be imposed this summer and **no** government direction as yet, our consultation with the leaders for Kids Overnight Camp and Day Camp determined planning for July programs was **not practical** this year. We pray for improved conditions in August to permit some form of Family Camp, TEEN Camp, and possible Day Camp ministry opportunities at Pine Orchard Camp.

In April, the Ontario government announced a STAY-AT-HOME Order to address the advent of the Third WAVE of the COVID-19 throughout the province. When this Order expires (currently June 2, 2021), our Campground will return to the RED Zone (CONTROL) conditions of Ontario's COVID-19 Response Framework. Our campgrounds will be OPEN for restricted use in compliance with Public Health's 'social distancing' and hygiene requirements and our POC COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN and Screening process.

Our Board of Directors has set a limit of 50 persons present on the grounds to be controlled by our Campgrounds' Manager. We request all cottage owners and campground visitors wishing to come to Pine Orchard Camp comply with the following requirements:

1. Please call or text our Camp Manager (Ron Lepard – 905-473-5660) **in advance** of your visit to advise of your planned visit to our campground
2. Please call our Camp Manager (Ron Lepard – 905-473-5660) **to confirm your arrival** on the grounds.
3. Please adhere to the Sign-In and Screening Process outlined in our POC COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN now posted on our website.

You are advised the Dining Hall, the Tabernacle, and other communal buildings will remain 'closed'. The swimming pool will be opened to household groups who contact the Camp Manager to confirm the time slots available for their use. Washrooms will be opened on an assigned basis from the Camp Manager to minimize spread of the virus through common use.

Further, we also request all persons visiting Pine Orchard Camp comply with the following requirements when using the campgrounds.

1. You do NOT show symptoms of COVID-19 upon entry to Pine Orchard Camp
2. You Understand and Agree to practice Physical Distancing while on POC grounds
3. You Agree to wear a mask when physical distancing is compromised while on POC grounds
4. You Agree to maintain hygiene practices recommended by Public Health while on POC grounds
5. You Agree to use the washrooms assigned if necessary and clean all surfaces engaged following instructions posted in each facility
6. You are advised the Playground structure is currently open but must be used at your own risk
7. You will Stay Away from others if you are feeling ill and/or Return Home
8. You have Read and Agree to abide by the Summary of the POC Bylaws & Guidelines

We pray for God's intervention to resolve this COVID-19 pandemic and allow us all to return to experiencing His presence on our campgrounds.

**Barry Sandercock**  
**Chair, Board of Directors**