



CAMP KINTAIL COVID-19 UPDATE

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Dear friends,

Light and warmth are returning, thanks be to God! It has been a long winter and it is a joy to watch spring return to Ontario. With the lengthening days, families are beginning to think about summer and camp. There is still a lot of uncertainty about the summer ahead, but we have prepared a schedule, with the hope that summer camp will happen. This schedule has been carefully prepared after months of research, consultations, conversations, and prayer. We have tried to create a schedule that will work with health regulations and provide families with options.

There are some significant changes being made in 2021 to keep campers safe this summer. Here are some of the highlights:

- Camp Kintail will meet and exceed all the guidance from the Ontario Camps Association, the Ministry of Health, and Huron Perth Public Health. This is true all the time and will remain true with the updated guidance. We expect this guidance to continue to evolve before the summer, and we will update our policies and procedures accordingly.
- Camper capacity in cabins will be reduced, and campers will be placed in cohorts (like school) with whom they will live, play, and camp throughout the week.
- Our overall camper capacity will be lowered to meet all standards. This means there will be limited spaces for campers. We will have waitlists activated for all camps.
- We will not require a deposit or accept any payment until close to the date of the camp. There will be no penalty for cancellation.
- While we are not running our traditional Family Camp, there are multiple opportunities for families to participate in A Week/Weekend Away throughout the summer.

It is necessary to note that all these plans are dependant on what the next couple of months look like in Ontario. The government of Ontario and our local health unit must permit summer camps to open for Camp Kintail to be able to operate the scheduled children's residential weeks of camp. We will only open if we believe we can safely and responsibly look after your children. But we are planning for camp, and we hope that our spring and summer schedule will provide you and family the chance to come and be at Camp Kintail this summer.

In hope,

Rev. Theresa McDonald-Lee & Johnathon Lee