



## Wild West Virginia

It's here! IT IS **FINALLY** WILD WEST VIRGINIA TIME!!!!!! We are so excited to have you come be a part of what looks to be a phenomenal week in the Lord. For anyone who doesn't know us, your leaders for the week are Troy Roush (the guy with the goofy face) and Tracy Elam (the guy with the even goofier face). Our staff will also include some great godly folks named Andrew McKain, Jaime Reeves and Misty Elam.

For W.W.V. veterans, some new scheduling has been put in place; and for the W.W.V. newbies, just fall in line, and you'll be set. Your week will begin **Saturday**, June 10th with check-in at 6:00 pm. Please, eat supper before you arrive. Check-in will be at main camp on SR 41. After you have checked in, your parents will leave you and your gear, where YOU will be responsible for setting up your tent and campsite for the night. We will take this time to check gear, practice set up, get to know each other a little, and more. That evening, we will spend time in worship, and lay out our theme and goals for the week. Sunday morning, we will wake up, have Sunday morning worship, pack it ALL up and head to Hocking Hills, Ohio. We will set up our base camp, at the Hocking Hills Church of Christ, where we utilize their shelter house/field area.

Butler Springs has an online general packing list, for Wild West Virginia, and it's a good one. We, however, would like to add a few items, due to our adventures we have planned. So, here goes. We will be spending four nights in tents, at multiple spots. With that said, **it is necessary/mandatory to bring a tent to camp in**. If you are attending with a friend; we encourage you to share your sleeping gear (NO BOYS AND GIRLS SHARING!!!). Understand, that part of our camping time will require hiking miles into the campsite, therefore, the weight of your gear needs to be considered. Please, let us know if you have issues obtaining gear, or what gear to get. Camping out does require its own gear, so be prepared with that. I do want you to remember your Bible, rain gear,

a journal or full pad of paper and PLEASE bring shoes both for outdoors (preferably not tennis shoes) and shoes that can get wet (sandals, crocs, etc.) **You will NEED a good backpack to hike multiple miles with and hold ALL THE NECESSARY GEAR FO THAT EVENT.** Packs that hold 45-50 liters or more are recommended with a chest strap and a waist strap. We also recommend two water bottles of no less than 32 oz each. If you intend to hammock camp, please note there may not always be trees suitable for set up at every campsite. Both a tent and a hammock are fine, just be prepared to carry either or both. You will need camp dinner ware (cup/bowl, spoon/fork, knife and/or multi-tool). Make sure you bring a towel or two and all the stuff you NEED to get clean (toothbrush and toothpaste, deodorant, soap, etc.) There will be time to swim in creeks and rivers; just follow the camp guideline for swimwear. Monday and Tuesday will be hiking/backpacking in Zaleski National Forest, for overnight camping. Wednesday, the plan is to canoe on the Hocking River. The camp will provide paddles, canoes and PFD's. Additionally, we will be repelling from a cliff in Hocking Hills State Park dedicated climbing/rappelling area. You will not be forced to participate, but we definitely encourage you to step forward and experience this great part of the adventure.

We will depart for West Virginia Thursday afternoon, to camp at Alpine Adventures Ministries in Beckley, WV. Friday morning will be the featured event of the week, where Alpine we lead our guided trip on the New River. Veterans, be aware things might be different from what you're used to. Following rafting on the New River, we will return to BSCC, Friday evening. Our week will conclude, Saturday the 17th, with an exciting time together. We will dismiss with checkout at 10:00 am. Troy, Tracy, and the crew can't wait to see you all! God is going to show up and show off. I can just tell.

God Bless, Troy and Tracy, Misty, Andrew and Jaime



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### **What to Bring:**

- Bible (do not rely on your phone for this)
- headlamp (flashlight is acceptable, but recommend headlamp)
- Backpack (45-50 liter or larger, with chest and waist strap, and rain cover)

- **A PLASTIC TOTE:** THIS IS VITAL. MOST OF YOUR GEAR WILL BE STORED IN THIS. (10 GAL OR 38 L IS THE RECOMMENDED SIZE)
- 2 water bottles ( 32 Oz or 1 liter each)
- Tent (large enough for you and your gear/pack) \*keep weight in mind.
- sleeping bag and stuff sack for sleeping bag
- 2 towels,toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, etc.)
- swim gear (refer to camp policy)
- Hiking Shoes (comfortable and sturdy, please, no tennis shoes)
- sandals/water shoes (not flip-flops or slides)
- dinnerware (fork/spoon, bowl/cup, knife and/or multi-tool)
- Plenty of socks, clothes (many will get very dirty/muddy)

- Sweatshirt/Jacket and long pants (some evenings most likely will be cool)
- Missions money for offering
- spending money (you are responsible for this, not us)
- Medicines/prescriptions (must be checked in with us)
- Rain gear (waterproof jacket, poncho, or full rain suit)
- garbage bags (one for trash, one for dirty clothes)
- chair or seat is optional, but remember it must be carried by you. **What Not To Bring:**
  - refer to camp policy