

Black Forest Community Church

2009

BUENA VISTA RETREAT

Friday, June 26 – Sunday, June 28



Information Packet

Back by popular demand, we will be heading for the mountains again for rock climbing, white water rafting, hiking, fly fishing, 4-wheeling, looking at nature, playing games, or just sitting back and reading a book by a stream. We are returning to Chalk Creek Campground (www.chalkcreek-campground.com), which is nestled at the foot of Rocky Mountain's Collegiate Peaks. There are several options for lodging, so there is something for everyone. We are also using Noah's Ark Rafting company for the white water rafting again this year.

This retreat is open to the congregation of the Black Forest Community Church, and their family and friends. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Chris Jackson at 494-1029. This flyer is also available on our website: www.blackforestcommunitychurch.org

This year, we will be handling the signups and payments differently. If you are tenting with us and/or if you are going white water rafting, you need to provide your signup information to us by May 15, 2009, along with your non-refundable payment. Costs for tenting and white water rafting are detailed in this information packet. **Please make checks out to "Black Forest Community Church", with 'Buena Vista Retreat' on the memo line.** Signup Sheets and checks can be left in the Buena Vista tray in the narthex (foyer) of the church or you can leave the information in the Log Building in the Church Development tray.

All other signup information needs to be turned in to us by June 15th.

Itinerary:

Friday, June 26

7:30 – 9:30 pm

Campfire & get-together at Chalk Creek Campground

Saturday, June 27

Breakfast (7 am)

Continental breakfast, provided by the Church Development Ministry

8:00 am

Fly Fishing assembles at Chalk Creek Campground

8:30 am

Rock climbing assembles at Noah's Ark

9:30 am

**4-wheeling assembles at Chalk Creek Campground
(bring your own lunch)**

Lunch

On your own

1:00 pm

Rafting assembles at Noah's Ark

Supper (6 pm)

Cook-out at Chalk Creek Campground (hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, drinks, etc), provided by Church Development Ministry

7:30 pm

Campfire & get-together at Chalk Creek Campground

Sunday, June 28

Breakfast (7 am)

Continental breakfast, provided by the Church Development Ministry

9:30 am

Outdoor worship service at Chalk Creek Campground

10:30 am

Day hike with Pastor Sam begins (bring your own lunch)

11:00 am

Checkout at Chalk Creek Campground

Camping & Lodging

Tent Camping

If you are looking for sleeping 'neath the stars and would like to camp with our group, we have reserved a tent area at Chalk Creek Campground in the lower area (by Chalk Creek).

- On the signup sheet, indicate the number of people that will be camping with us and which nights you will be with us.
- Cost is \$9.00 per person per night.
- Turn in your signup sheet, along with your non-refundable payment, by May 15, 2009.
- **No pets, unless you make arrangements with Chalk Creek Campground.**
- If you do not have a tent or other camping equipment, please let us know: we may have extra equipment for you to use.
- **PLEASE DO NOT MAKE RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH CHALK CREEK FOR TENT CAMPING IF YOU WANT TO BE WITH OUR GROUP.**

If you would like to arrange for camping that is not with the group, please make reservations directly with Chalk Creek.

- You will need to make reservations and pay Chalk Creek Campground directly.
- You should indicate "Other" as your lodging choice on your signup sheet.

Additional Camping and Lodging

Following is a list of other camping and lodging recommended by Noah's Ark. **You will need to make reservations yourself if you are not staying in our group tent area (see above).** Reservations should be made as soon as possible!

Chalk Creek Campground – For RV sites and Cabins

1 mile from Noah's Ark. 1-888-395-8830
11430 County Road 197
Nathrop, CO 81236
www.chalkcreek-campground.com

Arrowhead Point Resort Campground

9 miles from Noah's Ark 1-800-888-7320
33975 US Hwy 24 North
Buena Vista, CO 81211
www.arrowheadpointresort.com

MOTELS

Best Western Vista Inn

733 U.S. Highway 24 North
Buena Vista, Colorado 81211
(719) 395-8009
book.bestwestern.com

Lakeside Motel

112 Lake
Buena Vista, Colorado 81211
(719) 395-2994

Super 8 Motel

530 U.S. Highway 24 South
Buena Vista, Colorado 81211
(719) 395-8888
www.super8bv.com/

BED & BREAKFASTS

Room at the River

P. O. Box 1133
30670 CR 371
Buena Vista, Colorado 81211
(719) 395-8599
www.MeisterMarketing.com/riverhouse/

Century House Bed and Breakfast

401 E. First Street
Salida, Colorado, 81201
800-922-0460
www.centuryhousecottages.com

Las Manos Bed and Breakfast

Buena Vista, Colorado, 81211
719-395-4567
www.lasmanosbandb.com

The Inn at Buena Vista

832 South Gunnison Avenue
Buena Vista, Colorado, 81211
719-395-9293
www.innatbuenavista.com

For more listings of recommended lodging, please visit:

www.noahsark.com/about.area.cfm

Or contact the Buena Vista Chamber of Commerce at (719) 395-6612.

Recreation Details

Water Rafting

Rafting down the Arkansas River through Brown's Canyon, this trip is a great option for people of all ages (age 6 or older) and experience levels. At this time of year, it is estimated that this will be Class III or III+ rapids. **You will need to pay us by May 15th so that we can reserve the rafts as a group.**

Cost: \$54 per person (age 13 or older) for half day rafting.

\$42 per person (age 6 – 12)

Optional items, such as wetsuits, etc. are additional charges.

Must be 6 years or older to raft. (Note: Minimum age may increase depending on water levels.)

- On the signup sheet, indicate the number of people that will be rafting with us.
- Turn in your signup sheet, **along with your non-refundable payment**, by May 15, 2009.

Fly Fishing

Tom Buesing will be leading this activity.

Cost: Fees for fishing license and/or Habitat Stamp.

The leaders will provide instructions for purchasing fishing licenses.

4-wheeling

Larry Ferguson & Chris Jackson will be leading this activity. The trail we choose will be based on the participants. You must have a 4-wheel drive vehicle to drive on the trail. If you do not have a 4-wheel drive vehicle, or are not comfortable driving, please let us know. We can assign people to other drivers. Minimum age is 6 years old.

Cost: \$0 per person. Please bring a lunch.

The leaders will provide you with more information about the trail.

Hiking

Pastor Sam will be leading this activity. This hike is available to people of all experience levels.

Cost: \$0 per person. Please bring a lunch

The leaders will provide you with more information about the trail.

Other activities and attractions available in the Buena Vista area

For those of you who want to do your own thing, these are available. You will need to make your own arrangements for these activities.

Rock Climbing with Noah's Ark

Horseback riding

St. Elmo (historic mining town)

Buena Vista antiques

Hot Springs at Mt. Princeton

2009 BUENA VISTA RETREAT - SIGN-UP SHEET

Fill this out for each family or party **BY MAY 15, 2009. PLEASE READ INFO PACKET BEFORE SIGNING UP!**

Family/Party Name:	Total # signed-up:
Phone:	

If you are tenting or rafting with us, you will need to turn in your non-refundable payment for the full amount for your party by May 15, 2009

Please make checks out to "Black Forest Community Church", with 'Buena Vista Retreat' on the memo line.

Please check the nights you will be with us: Fri, June 26th: Sat, June 27th:

Name	Adult or Age *	Lodging		Rafting Y/N (See info packet for pricing)	Hiking Y/N	4-wheel'n Y/N	Fishing Y/N
		Tent (See info packet for pricing)	Other				

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* If under 18 on June 26, 2009, please indicate the age. Otherwise, please put "Adult".

