



# 2025 SERVANT LEADER IN TRAINING Information Form

## Who are Camps with Meaning?

**CAMPS WITH MEANING** (CwM) is the Camping Ministry of Mennonite Church Manitoba (MCM). Camps with Meaning serves the MCM congregations and the larger community through facilities and programming (Camp Assiniboia and Camp Koinonia).

In our summer programming we reach out to kids and youth, as well as adults with mental and physical disabilities, from across Manitoba: inner-city to rural. We invite campers to a fun-filled week new experiences, relationship-building and chances to both learn about Jesus' life and experience it. At Camps with Meaning, **we are connecting campers to the Creator, to community, and to creation.**

## Summer Program Goals

We ask all our summer staff to help create an atmosphere conducive to:

- ...discovering and nurturing of a meaningful relationship with Jesus and the Spirit of God,
- ...affirming the worth of self and others, as well as developing skills in community living.
- ...developing an appreciation for the Creation, learning responsible stewardship of it and responding in worship to the God who created it.

## Important Program Info & FAQs

**When is Staff Training Week?** June 29 – July 3, 2025

**When can I complete my 2 required Supervised Experienced Weeks?** You must complete two weeks of supervised experience during summer 2024 to fulfil the SLT Program requirements. There are three options for supervised experience weeks: July 13-18, July 20-25, and July 27 – August 1. Please note that there are limited spaces for each supervised experience week and that SLTs will be placed accordingly.

**Can I work as anything other than a counsellor?** Yes! If you have special training (ex: Lifeguard), please indicate this on the application. While we will make sure you counsel, you will also be placed as a kitchen helper, an activity leader, childcare provider, farm crew, or maintenance helper for some weeks.

**What is the Creation Adventure like?** In a word: AWESOME! It's also challenging and unifying and fun. You will hike the trails and canoe/portage the lakes of Turtle Mountain Provincial Park for 5 days in a cohort with other SLTs and 2 leaders. You will carry all of your food with you and purify water along the way. You will need a hiking backpack, good hiking shoes, and a positive attitude. Please communicate any health concerns with your SLT Director prior to the trip.

**I really want to work at one specific camp. Can I?** We encourage all camp staff to be open to working at both camps. You can definitely indicate your preference, but we can't promise anything!

**How should I get to the weeks that I am working at camp?** All camp staff are required to find their own rides to camp. We highly encourage carpooling with other staff! One great option is to take the bus that goes to Koinonia. More info about carpools and bus sign up will be available during Staff Training Week.

## Application Checklist

- Application Form – now online!

- 2 Reference Forms – will be attached to your confirmation email

- Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check OR Criminal Record Waiver

Complete a criminal record check (with vulnerable sector screening) at your local police or RCMP station. You will need two pieces of ID and a means of payment (the 245 Smith Street, Winnipeg Location is open 8:30-3:30 Monday to Friday). Or you can send in a copy of a recent Criminal Record check if you have had one done for another job (within the last year).

If you do not have ID or are otherwise unable to get a Criminal Record Check, please sign and return the Criminal Record Waiver that will be attached to your confirmation email.

### PLEASE NOTE!

**Your CAR and CR checks are good for 3 years if you work consecutive summers. Please check with the office (204-895-2267) if you are unsure when your last checks were submitted.**

- Tuition Fee - \$425

Payment can be made online at [www.mennochurch.mb.ca/giving](http://www.mennochurch.mb.ca/giving), by etransfer to [camps@mennochurch.mb.ca](mailto:camps@mennochurch.mb.ca), or by check or cash to the office at 600 Shaftesbury Blvd, Wpg, R3P 0M4.

Please include "SLT Tuition" in the memo line.

Note: You may ask your church to reimburse you the tuition cost as well.

- Financial Support

Home Church Sponsorship: Have a conversation with your church asking if they are willing to support you financially in your camp ministry.

Other Sponsorship: Staff who cannot be paid by their home congregation will be paid, as possible, through CwM Staffership Fund with donations from MCM churches. A connection with a church will be made and some communication on your part will be encouraged.

Rates for 2025: these wages may be raised and will be updated when/if they are.

Servant Leader-in- Training (SLT)	finished grade 10 or 11	\$210
Junior Counsellor (JC)	finished SLT Program and/or finished grade 10 or 11	\$335

Job Descriptions for Counsellors, Activity Leaders and Support Staff can be found on the staff page of our website.

## Summer Schedule 2025

Week	Assiniboia	Koinonia
June 30- July 3 (mandatory)	Staff Training Week	
July 6-10 (mandatory)		(SUN-THURS) SLT Out-Trip
July 13-18 (supervised)	Jr-Int 1 & Day Camp 1	Junior High 1
July 20-25 (supervised)	Jr-Int 2 & Day Camp 2	Junior High 2 & Out-trip
July 27- August 1 (supervised)	Int 1, Farm & Pre-Junior 1 & 2	ADV 3
August 4-8	ADV 3 (Mon-Fri)	Jr-Int 1 (M-F) & EOS clean (on the 9 <sup>th</sup> as well)
August 10-16	JH Adventure & EOS clean	