

Staff Landline Program

The Landline Program was first designed for our Leaders in Training in order to provide prayer support and a connection back home during the summer. The term is a reference to that old technology of connecting telephones through means of physical wiring as opposed to wireless technology. While it might seem that the "landline" reference is no longer relevant, there are some who could argue that landlines still have advantages to this day: reliability in emergencies, call quality and security.

We recognize that each one of our staff members would benefit from the kind of quality encouragement in Christ and prayer support that would strengthen them during their time of service at Camp. For this reason, we are now asking each Summer Staff (including Bridge and Core Staff members) to choose someone to be their "landline" while at camp. This person will be responsible for meeting with you before and after the summer as well as supporting and praying for you during the summer.

What to look for in a Landline...

- 1) They should ideally be someone from within your church community. (If you are currently in transition between churches you could also reach out to somewhere in your wider faith community.)
- 2) They should have more life and faith experience than you.
- 3) They should be the same gender as you.
- 4) They should not be from your immediate family.
- 5) They should be someone who you will be able to have an honest conversation with.

Once you receive confirmation that you have been hired, you will be asked to set up your Landline connection and let us know who they are.

Please make sure you give the second page of this document to your Landline when you connect with them so they understand what is expected of them. If you have any questions regarding any of this, feel free to email Christine Hiebert (Ministry Director): christine@campcrossroads.com.



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Camp Crossroads runs 9 weeks of intensive summer programs for children, youth and families. Our staff serve in various capacities from program design and delivery to cabin leading to operational roles to sharing bible lessons with children and adults. The length of service is between 8-17 weeks. The schedule is full and the opportunities for service abound!

The Landline Program is designed to provide prayer support and connection back home for each summer staff member, while allowing you to partner personally in the mission these young adults are called to this summer. We consider this an important part of the summer staff mission this summer and ask that you take the responsibility seriously if you agree to be a Landline.

If you agree to be a Landline we ask that you:

- 1) Meet with your Camp staff partner before they come up to camp in Spring/Summer to discuss their prayer requests for the summer and for you to pray with them.
- 2) Commit to praying for your Camp staff partner while they are at camp.
- 3) Call and mail them something at least once a month during their time of service at camp. A short message of encouragement, favourite verse, or even a joke can have a great impact on a staff member. (Obviously, emailing and texting are also great ways to share encouragement, but getting something in the mail is a fun surprise when at Camp!)
- 4) Find a time to meet with your Camp staff partner after they get home to hear the stories of the fun they had and the things that God taught and challenged them with during the summer.
- 5) Provide your Camp staff partner with your contact information, (e-mail, mailing address, and phone number) so you can receive updates from them during the summer.

Thank you for allowing yourself to be used by God in the life of our Camp staff this summer. If you have any questions about this, please direct them to this email address: christine@campcrossroads.com.

~From Christine Hiebert, Ministry Director~