

FAMILY CAMP INFORMATION - 2025

REGISTRATION AND PICK UP: Arrival and registration is from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. Friday at the Creation Center (large building with green metal roof). We conclude at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday.

CAMP LOCATION: Ewalu's Main Site is located at 37776 Alpha Ave., about three miles west of Strawberry Point, Iowa, along Iowa Highway 3. A green road sign marks "Camp Ewalu." From Hwy 3, turn on Alpha Ave., and go one mile south. Keep driving into camp, past the pool, until you come to a large parking lot; the Creation Center is right there.

LODGING: Choose lodging in one of our cabins or camp in the Family Campground. Cabins are available on a first-come, first-served basis. A discount is provided if you choose to stay in the campground.

INSURANCE: In the event of an accident or injury, the insurance of the camper's legal guardian(s) is primary.

LOST AND FOUND: Lost & found items are kept for a short time following your visit. Ewalu is not responsible for lost or broken items. Please contact camp as soon as possible to report a missing item. After a month, unclaimed items will be discarded or donated to a local charity. Remember to label all clothing and valuables.

PAYMENT: A \$100 deposit is due upon registration. Full payment is due three weeks prior to arrival.

SUMMER THEME: Our 2025 summer curriculum is "God's Word Comes Near" Think about the last time you heard a great story. Did it make you laugh? Bring a tear to your eye? Evoke joy or anger, love or sadness? Each story, and every part of our lives, is shaped by words—spoken, heard, and read. The greatest story, though, is that of God's salvation for all of creation. In the beginning God spoke words to create light and life. God's Word came alive in Jesus Christ, the Savior. We read God's word in scripture. The many ways we understand "Word" are at the heart of the theme for the week, as we emphasize the importance of God's word that comes near.

OUR STAFF: The Ewalu summer ministry staff will be living, sharing, playing, and praying together with you and your child. Our team is selected for their genuine love for kids, active faith in God, and desire to share their Christian faith and joy. They are here to help all campers grow personally and spiritually. We are excited and privileged to offer a unique, worthwhile, safe and fun experience for campers, with a lasting positive impact!

Packing List: Label belongings with camper's name.

- □ T-shirts & shorts
- □ Socks & underwear
- □ Long sleeves & pants for nights/cool weather
- 🗆 Pajamas
- □ Beach towel & swimming suit
- \Box A hat to protect from the sun
- □ Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, etc.)
- □ Prescribed medication
- □ Bible, small notebook and pen
- Water bottle
- □ Flashlight
- □ Backpack/bag for water bottle & swim items
- □ Sunscreen & insect repellent
- □ Raincoat/poncho
- □ Spending money for the Canteen (snack shop) and Camp Store
- □ TWO pairs of closed-toed shoes (tennis shoes and shoes that can get wet; NO flip-flops on trails)

What NOT to Bring: Please do not bring valuables, pets, drugs (nicotine, alcohol, etc.), weapons, and phones or other electronic devices. Adults may keep phones for emergencies or for picture-taking, but we encourage you to refrain from using them in an effort to retreat and to limit distraction.

Questions? Call Ewalu (563-933-4700) or email camp@ewalu.org.



Tentative 2025 Family Camp Schedule

Friday

5:30-6 pm - Check in at Creation Center (building with green metal roof, near parking lot) 6:00 pm - Official Welcome with Dinner - Cedar Lodge

- 7:30 pm Walk to Opening Campfire Cedar (Bring warm clothes, bug spray, flashlights,
- etc.) 7:45 pm Campfire at Central Plains
- 8:45 pm Cabin time & Omega/Optional Night Swim

Saturday

- 8:00 am Breakfast at Cedar Lodge
- 9:00 am Alpha at Outdoor Chapel
- 10:00 am Bible Study (age groups)
- 11:00 am Family Activity
- 11:00 am Guided Nature Hike
- 12:00 pm Lunch at Cedar Lodge
- 1-5 pm Exploration Stations (sign up in Cedar Lodge)
 - $\hfill\square$ Free time explore, play, or relax
 - □ Zip line
 - □ Swimming pool
 - $\hfill\square$ Tractor rides to farm
 - □ Crafts
 - □ Self-guided nature activities
- 5:30 pm Picnic Supper on Cedar Lodge pavilion
- 7:00 pm Campfire at Barred Owl Lodge
- 8:30 pm Cabin time & Omega/Optional Night Swim

Sunday

- 8:00 am Breakfast at Cedar Lodge
- 10:00 am Worship in Creation Center Chapel
- 11:00 am Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!