

# FISHING RETREAT

May 2-4, 2008

PORT O'CONNOR, TEXAS

Come experience a "mini-retreat" planned for those with an interest in saltwater fishing. We will be heading to the Gulf Coast to Port O'Connor. We have several people from throughout the Unity who fish the area often, are skilled fishermen and boaters, and have agreed to serve as guides and leaders on our retreat.

The retreat will begin Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will travel from locations that will be determined by registrants, eat along the way, and arrive in time to settle in for the night. Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> will begin bright and early with fishing. After we return to shore we'll clean up a bit, have lunch, a Bible study session, and some rest time, before heading back out to do some more fishing. We'll head back out Sunday morning, and then return for clean-up, a worship service and packing up. We'll leave around one.

Since this is a special retreat, and we'll have to pay for housing, food, and other supplies, the registration fee will be \$ 50.00. Some other expenses to be aware of will be any food/snacks while traveling and a **salt-water fishing license** for anyone 17-years-old & older.

The **registration deadline for the retreat will be April 11<sup>th</sup>**. Due to a limited amount of space on the boats, we do have to set a maximum number. Boats are still being confirmed at this time, but it looks like they will hold between 12 & 16. Therefore, if you are interested, get your form in early to guarantee a spot. Slots will be filled on a first come first served basis as registrations are received.

It is vital that you meet the deadline so that food and travel arrangements can be made. We will look at where participants are coming from and determine a meeting and drop off location if rides need to be coordinated. This information will be sent or phoned to each participant. If you have any questions concerning the retreat, please contact Kimberly Stewart. ([kcstew@austin.rr.com](mailto:kcstew@austin.rr.com) or 512-846-2925)

**Stuff  
to BRING**

Clothes to fish in (watch the weather – even if it should be warm, bring at least one long sleeve shirt or a light jacket); shoes that “could” get wet; a pole and tackle (if you have it, **supplied** if not); sunscreen; hat; sunglasses; toiletries; towels; pillow; Bible, notepad, pen, flashlight, fishing license and driver's license; favorite sodas & non-melting snacks. Of course, like any retreat, we ask that you not bring items that would interfere with our Christian purposes.

**Rules:** An adult should know where you are at all times!!! Participate in all activities. Wear appropriate clothing. Help with assigned kitchen and clean up duties. Follow all instructions from the guides, especially when in or around the boats. Remain in our lodging after curfew. Respect others' privacy, belongings, and needs.

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**May 2-4, 2008**

**Registration deadline: April 11, 2008 (postmark)**

Mail to: Kimberly Stewart, 407 Kates Way, Hutto, TX 78634

**Registration fee: \$50.00 (payable to: Unity of the Brethren – Youth Coordinator)**

Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Youth email \_\_\_\_\_ Parent email \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents' names \_\_\_\_\_ phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Other numbers (wk/cell/etc) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address, city, state, zip code \_\_\_\_\_  
Church \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in school \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_  
Swimming abilities: \_\_\_\_\_ beginner \_\_\_\_\_ intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ advanced \_\_\_\_\_ non-swimmer  
Fishing experience: \_\_\_\_\_ no experience \_\_\_\_\_ a little tank/pond or lake experience  
\_\_\_\_\_ experienced fresh water fisherman \_\_\_\_\_ experienced salt-water fisherman

Emergency contacts: (Other than parents)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ relation \_\_\_\_\_  
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Medical Release

Family physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Insurance carrier \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Policy holder \_\_\_\_\_ policy # \_\_\_\_\_  
Last tetanus booster \_\_\_\_\_  
List medical allergies \_\_\_\_\_  
Medications currently taking \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical problems or other pertinent information that might affect medical treatment  
\_\_\_\_\_

I (we) understand that, in the event medical treatment is required, every effort will be made to contact me. However, if I (we) cannot be reached, I (we) give my permission to the staff or sponsors to secure the services of a licensed physician to provide the care necessary, including anesthesia, for my child's well being.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or guardian

Travel release

I (we) understand that during the course of this weekend long retreat there will be times that my child will be in personal vehicles and motorized watercraft. I (we) will not hold the individual drivers, the youth program, the Unity of the Brethren or any of its employees, sponsors, or volunteers liable in the event of an accident or injury.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or guardian

# BYF Event Code of Conduct

Our retreats are a time for us to grow closer to God, so we ask you to agree to this code of conduct to help ensure that everyone has a safe and fun time.

I agree to:

1. Come with a good attitude and be ready to have a blast.
2. Listen to the adults, do what they ask, and appreciate them for volunteering.
3. Leave all alcohol, drugs, weapons, tobacco products, and pets at home, knowing they are strictly forbidden at any time, at any location.
4. Leave all electronic equipment at home and to lock my cell phone in the car or suitcase for the duration of the event.
5. Stay clear of the sleeping quarters of the opposite sex.
6. Be in the designated area for lights out and not leave the premises after that time.
7. Remain on site at all times, never leaving without the permission of an adult staff member, nor in a vehicle driven by anyone under 21, unless I have specific instruction from my sponsor or parent.

I understand fully that if I violate any of these agreements, my parents may be called, I may not be allowed to participate further, and my parents may be asked to come get me. I agree to abide by these statements and accept the consequences if I do not.

## Rules specific to the Fishing Retreat

- Follow whatever your guide tells you.
- Wear a life jacket at all times on the water.
- Do not get out of the boat unless instructed to do so
- Do not jump or dive into the water
- Be aware of those around you when you cast
- No horsing around on the boats or docks
- Remain with your group at all times
- Never leave the house, boat ramp/dock, etc. without an adult
- You will be a guest in someone's home – treat it well!

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YOUTH

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PARENT

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DATE

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PARENT