

Hello everyone,

Two weeks until our scheduled ropes course training starts on the 13th. At this point we are 4 or 5 people short for the training to make. Please circulate the news with anyone that may be interested in dedicating a weekend or two to camp. In the long run facilitators are asked to donate eight or ten days per year to events.

**We are offering 100% scholarship for the \$150 or \$250 cost to enroll \*and\* we have Amazon gift cards for the next ten people who contact me about enrolling. \$25 for 1 weekend. \$50 for both weekends. Our team is very committed to growing the ropes course usage in 2018 and 2019. Thanks & God bless --Andy**

The construction of the low course was begun in 2011 followed by the completion of the high course in 2016. This spring, the camp is offering the opportunity for you to 1) complete the full two weekend facilitator training or 2) be a participant in the first weekend which allows you to experience most of the elements on both the low and high courses under the direction of our current facilitator team. Find a friend, spouse or child to be a partner in this new adventure.



### **Role of the facilitator**

Challenge Course facilitation is a skill that must be learned and practiced. Some people will be very good at it and some not. The director of the current team has many years and hundreds of hours of experience on courses. The facilitator team is responsible for:

- Full Weekend Challenge Courses – The facilitator team works with each group as they spend a weekend solving the challenges of the course. The facilitators guide the group as they develop and enhance their skills in leadership, communication, trust, problem solving and confidence.
- Single Element Events for Summer Campers – Set up and guide campers through one high course element as part of their camp week. Eighter's is a good example
- Continued Training and Maintenance – The team gathers several times a year for course mowing, element maintenance and training

### **Training**

Facilitator training is scheduled for April 13-15 and April 27-29. During the first weekend the group will go through the course as a participant and follow up learning the process, philosophy and techniques of facilitation. During the second weekend, you will learn the equipment, safety procedures, and technical aspects used in a challenge course. You will also learn history, tips, techniques, and approaches to the art of facilitation. Please consider the importance of having Disciples trained to operate our course. Are you being called to help others grow through this program?

This link is a good tool for providing more information, links to the camp website, a profile on the challenge course program, and registration. Two weekends; course fee is \$250.

[New Facilitator Training Course](#)

This link has the same information but registration is only for the first weekend. One weekend; course fee is \$150.

[Come & Take It! Challenge Course](#)

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