

## Participation

*At U.M. ARMY you will be part of a camp community of approximately 60-100 people from several churches. You will have a chance to take an active part in building a strong Christ-centered community for a week of work, worship, service, and fellowship.*

In the schedule, U.M. ARMY provides you with opportunities for orientation, nutritious meals, shelter, rest, recreation, worship, personal involvement, a chance for leadership, and spiritual growth. To have the best experience possible, please take advantage of these opportunities and participate in the program 100%.

One of the most important needs that U.M. ARMY can meet is to offer you an opportunity for personal spiritual growth. Through nighttime worship services, morning devotionals and by your experiences each day, you will have a chance for personal renewal. In the noontime devotionals, you will have a chance to examine your own Christian faith and grow closer to God.

Real help involves a relationship between the helped person and the helper. The amount of real help given depends to a great extent on what this relationship is. You might have already found that one cannot give help to another person, you can only offer it. The other person must choose to make use of it or reject it. As Christians, we are bound by Christ's Law of Love to allow other persons their dignity and give them the opportunity to say no to the help we suggest.

We are one body in Christ. Once camp has started, church affiliation is no longer important. We want to break down barriers and geographical boundaries. We want to be one camp. Your camp is comprised of teams working to accomplish U.M. ARMY goals. A team consists of 4-6 youth and one adult. Your Camp Director is responsible for forming the teams and will consider age, grade, gender, skills, experience, friendship, home church, and spiritual strength in each individual. Once teams are formed, and camp has started, they will not be changed.

Work teams must be committed to working hard. It is not enough to just show up. Teams must work together. Playing, sleeping, and being lazy at a work site harms team unity.

***Be honest with each other and be Christ-like in all that you do.***