



The goal of Joy of Living Camp is to share the transformational Good News of Jesus Christ with children and youth through the ministry of Christian camping, regardless of their ability to pay. If you are considering applying for a staff position, here are some things that you should know:

Joy of Living is seeking staff members who are committed to Christ, available to serve Him, and teachable.

Each summer we seek to build a staff from individuals who have given their lives to Jesus Christ and who desire to grow in their knowledge of and fellowship with Him. We want you to be able to share with others the truths that you already know and are living out as a believer in Jesus Christ.

We take seriously the opportunity that we have been given to share the Gospel through our words, actions, and attitudes. Each summer, the Lord brings “the mission field” right to our front door. That is why we encourage you, as a person seeking a staff position, to make your time of service at Joy of Living Camp a priority. The time you spend at Joy of Living Camp will make a difference in your life and in the lives of those you serve.

Also, at Joy of Living Camp, we stress the importance of character over skills. Skills are taught, and with practice may be improved upon. Excellence in any area doesn’t just happen – it takes hard work, and Joy of Living desires its staff to strive for excellence in the things that they do.

Character is based upon God’s work in a person’s heart that brings about internal, lasting change. It is what is in a person’s heart that comes out in the life that they live. At JOY we seek staff members whose character reflects Christ. We want our staff members to be able to say, even as the Apostle Paul said, “Imitate me.” Sound impossible? Only through a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus Christ can we be the role models that He wants us to be.

And, at Joy of Living Camp, you are not alone. You are surrounded by other staff members and mentors who are going in the same direction – committed to knowing Christ, to serving Christ, and to making Christ known to others. As a staff member, you become a member of the Joy of Living family. The relationships and bonds of friendship that are formed have the potential to last a lifetime.

If you are interested in being a part of Joy of Living’s mission this summer, I encourage you to fill out the staff application. Positions are limited.

Wherever the Lord leads you this summer, be faithful.

JOY OF LIVING MINISTRIES STAFF APPLICATION 2017

General Information: (Please print legibly)

Legal Name:	
Home Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Home Phone: (Include area code)	Cell Phone: (Include area code)
Social Security Number:	
E-Mail Address:	
Date of Birth: (Needed for background checks)	
Occupation:	

I would like correspondence about serving at Camp sent to: Home Address College Address

College Information:

Name of College You Attend:	Major	Year in School:
Your College Address:		

Applying to JOY as: Counselor Cook Wrangler Nurse

Camp Experience:

Camper at:	Years
Counselor/Other at:	Years

Church Involvement:

Where do you attend church regularly?
Describe your involvement in your local church: (Sunday School teachers, youth group, VBS, etc.)

Education:

Circle Grade Completed by June 12 th , 2017:	9 10 11 12	1 2 3 4	1 2 MA Ph.D.
	High School	College	Post Graduate
Leadership training or other leadership experiences:			

Personal:

Describe any restrictions which will keep you from participating in hiking or any other outdoor camp activities:

Do you use tobacco products? Yes or No Do you drink alcoholic beverages? Yes or No
Do you use illegal drugs? Yes or No

Have you been convicted of any crime, including sex-related child abuse related offenses? Yes or No
Please make comments on an additional sheet.

I have read the Statement of Faith and am in agreement with it: Yes or No

I have read the Standard of Christian Living and am in agreement with it: Yes or No

Employment History:

Place of Employment	Position	Dates of Employment

REFERENCES: Please provide us with a good contact phone number and e-mail address for your pastor or youth pastor, a current or former employer, and a Christian adult not related to you. We will send each person you list a copy of our camp reference form via e-mail. Your references may then complete the form and return it to us by mail or electronically. Please insure your references will be expecting to hear from us. Your application is not complete until the references have been received.

References:

Name	Phone Number	E-mail Address	Relationship

Availability to Serve

The 2017 Joy of Living Camping season begins with Pre-Camp Training on June 4, 2017 and finishes at the end of the day on July 22, 2017. Are you available for the entire camping period? Yes or No

Commitment:

Page 4 of this 4-page application is a commitment form designed to help us get to know you better. Please take the time to fully complete the form, and return it with your completed application.

Skills/Hobbies Assessment:

During the camping day our schedule involves a variety of crafts and activity sessions which teach campers skills in new areas. Staff members teach and assist in the delivery of these craft and activity sessions. In the following lists put the number "1" before those activities that you can organize and teach expertly; put the number "2" before those activities that you can assist in teaching; put the number "3" before those activities you would be interested in learning about. Leave blank any areas in which you would be reluctant to work.

<p>Activities</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Astronomy <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing <input type="checkbox"/> Nature studies <input type="checkbox"/> Orienteering <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Living Skills <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Cooking <input type="checkbox"/> Team Building/New Games <input type="checkbox"/> Low Ropes <input type="checkbox"/> Juggling <input type="checkbox"/> Woodcraft <input type="checkbox"/> Rocketry <input type="checkbox"/> Archery <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts	<p>Riverfront</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing <input type="checkbox"/> Tubing <input type="checkbox"/> Kayaking <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming <p>Adventure</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Backpacking <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing <input type="checkbox"/> *Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> *Other _____	<p>Camping</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Overnight Food Preparation <input type="checkbox"/> Tent/Tarp Pitching <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter Building <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Building <input type="checkbox"/> Knot Tying <p>Music and Campfires</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Chapel Songs <input type="checkbox"/> Chapel Skits <input type="checkbox"/> Chapel Speaking <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar <input type="checkbox"/> Keyboard <input type="checkbox"/> *Other _____
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The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that any offer of employment is contingent upon the receipt of satisfactory references, satisfactory results of a criminal background check, proof of identity, proof of legal eligibility to accept employment in the United States and working papers if applicable.

I realize that in applying to serve on the staff of Joy of Living Ministries I am seeking a great responsibility as well as a great opportunity. I realize that while at Camp I am subject to Camp regulations and will abide by them. My motivation for serving is to please Jesus Christ. **I am willing to serve wherever needed** and will extend myself to attain the goals of Joy of Living Ministries.

Signed

Date

Please sign and send this application to the Summer Camp Director.

Please return to:
Tana Hey
Joy of Living Camp
P.O. Box 338
18860 Dodd Road
Brinkhaven, OH 43006

Commitment:

Joy of Living Ministries seeks committed Christian men and women who have experienced salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. All staff members are expected to live exemplary Christian lives before both campers and staff, and must be able to share their faith in Christ with others. To help us evaluate your ability to function in the Joy of Living Camp environment, please tell us about your experience of salvation and your life commitment to Jesus Christ. (Use additional sheets if necessary.)

How have you grown in your understanding of your fellowship with Christ this year? _____

How have you grown in your knowledge of the Scriptures this year? _____

What verse(s) of Scripture have been meaningful to you? _____

How have you grown in the discipline of prayer this year? _____

How have you grown in sharing your faith with others this year? _____

In what areas would you like to grow during your time of service at JOY this year? _____

Do you feel you need to improve in any areas in order to be an effective servant-leader? Yes or No Please explain your answer: _____

Is there anything else that you would like to share with us? _____

Have you applied to serve at any other camp this summer? Yes or No