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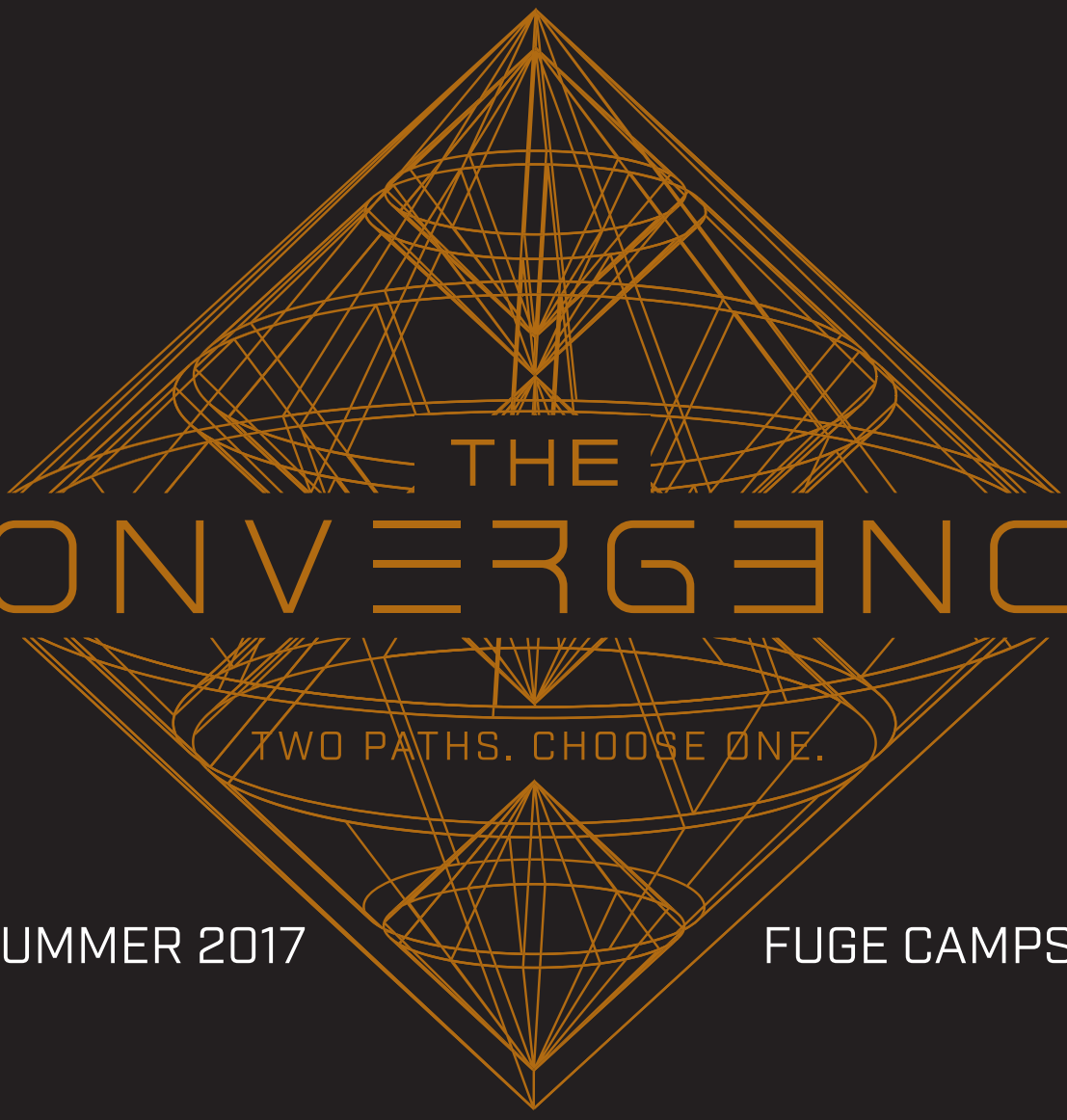

SUMMER 2017

FUGE CAMPS

PHILADELPHIA

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BEFORE CAMP

WHAT TO BRING

- Linens, towels, pillows, blankets
- Water bottle you can refill and carry with you
- Closed-toe, closed-heel shoes (for outdoor activities)
- Bible, notepad, and pen
- Toiletries such as toothbrush and shampoo
- Sun protection
- Spending money for snacks, camp store, and missions offering (optional)
- Summer clothing (see dress code)

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, fireworks, water guns, or any kind of weapon
- We recommend no iPads, iPods, playstation portables or other gaming devices, roller blades or skateboards. If students do bring cell phones or other electronics, they are not to be out and in use during programming elements: morning celebration, Bible study, worship, night life, recreation and track times / ministry tracks.
- Items that may be used for pranks such as water balloons, shaving cream, silly string, etc. Pranks are not allowed at camp. Your church will be charged for any damages or issues related to clean up.

CAMP RULES

CELL PHONES

- The decision of cell phone usage at camp is in the hands of the group leader of each church.
- Throughout the week, some elements may allow students and adults to join in via social media (i.e., Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, etc.) However, these opportunities are optional and will not limit the camp experience for those who do not participate.
- Unless instructed by staff, students with cell phones are not allowed to have them out or in use during programming elements: morning celebration, Bible study, worship, night life, recreation and track times / ministry tracks. Ringers should be turned to silent or vibrate.

ACTIVITIES

- Participate in all activities and be on time.
- Drink plenty of water and eat three meals a day.
- Wear closed-toe and closed-heel shoes to recreation, track times and ministry sites.
- Wear your name tag at all times.

HOUSING

- Be in your room by 11:00 PM with lights out no later than 11:30 PM, except on the last evening of camp when curfew is 11:30 PM.
- No guys in girls' rooms and no girls in guys' rooms.
- No public displays of affection.
- No practical jokes.

WORSHIP

- No gum, food, or drinks allowed in the worship center.
- No video and flash photography are allowed in the worship center before or during the worship service.
- Sleeveless tops are allowed but no tank tops during worship.

DRESS CODE

Students are NOT to pack anything that:

- Advertises alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs;
- Explicitly or implicitly promotes racism, sexism, or hatred of any group or person;
- Explicitly or implicitly refers to sexual actions or situations;
- Has spaghetti/small straps or open back, except for sleepwear;
- Is excessively short or tight fitting.

While at camp, we ask that students:

- Wear modest shorts (when hands are extended to the back or the front, finger tips must touch fabric). Sleeveless shirts and tank tops are now allowed during day-time activities. Shirts with spaghetti straps, open backs or excessive armpit cutouts which expose torso and undergarments are NOT allowed.
- Wear closed-toe and closed-heel shoes while at recreation and track times (Centrifuge and XFuge) and on ministry sites (MFuge and XFuge on Mission) and during Mega Relay.
- Wear modest, one-piece bathing suits or two-piece suits covered with a dark colored t-shirt, if participating in water activities.
- Wear modest shorts, pants, jeans, or dresses for worship. Dresses with spaghetti or small straps, open backs, and excessively short lengths are unacceptable (when hands are extended to the back or the front, finger tips must touch fabric). Modest sleeveless tops are allowed in worship.
- Do not dress in a way that calls attention to underwear (sagging your pants, rolling down your waistbands, etc.) or wear pants or shorts with lettering on the bottom.

MAILING ADDRESS

Eastern University

Attn: FUGE Camps (please write church and camper names on all mail)

1300 Eagle Road

St. Davids, PA 19087

AT CAMP

FACILITY INFO

Physical Address (For directions): 1300 Eagle Road Wayne, PA 19087

Camp Cell Phone (not active until May 1): 615.429.4568

Camp Email Address (not active until May 1): philadelphiafuge@gmail.com

Before May 1 Contact: Events Registration: 1.877.CAMP.123 or fuge@lifeway.com

Coordinator - John Wiley: 615.251.3834 or john.wiley@lifeway.com

Eastern University Main Number: 610.341.5902

Eastern University Website: www.eastern.edu

Housing: dorm style

Bath: suite style or bath on the hall

Linens: not provided (twin)

Amenities: snack/coffee shop, indoor gym, tennis court, sand volleyball, free Wi-Fi, campus bookstore, and soccer/ultimate frisbee fields

Average Weekly Attendance: 200-300

BIBLE STUDY OVERVIEW

THE CONVERGENCE
TWO PATHS. CHOOSE ONE.

"Make Your ways known to me, Lord; teach me Your paths. Guide me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; I wait for You all day long." - Psalm 25:4-5

A Study on the Life of David and Making Godly Decisions

We are all on a journey, often finding ourselves standing at the convergence of truth and its imitation. These convergent moments have the power to alter our lives and impact God's Kingdom for eternity. But, how do we decide in which direction to move? Studying the journey of David, students will be challenged to apply godly discernment by trusting God completely, recognize the difference between God's truth and men's advice, realize the impact of their decisions and surround themselves with people who reinforce the need for godly wisdom. Join us on the journey.

Opening Night: Introduction - Samuel anoints David – God chose David. **Scripture:** 1 Samuel 16:1-3

Day 1 ☰ Point of Inception

David and Goliath: How do I define my relationship with the Lord? Where is my trust found in decision making? Students will learn that in order to have holy discernment you must first have a relationship with God, through Christ. The relationship is the foundation for David's trust and reliance on the Lord.
Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:26-51
Key Verse: Psalm 62:1-2

Day 2 ☰ Point of Truth

David and Saul: How do I make choices based on God's truth when other choices seem justifiable? Students will be challenged to discern what is justifiable and what is God's truth. Students will learn how to make lasting Christ-like decisions concerning what is right and what is easy.
Scripture: 1 Samuel 24: 1-15
Key Verse: Psalm 111:10

Day 3 ☰ Point of Reconciliation

David and Nathan: Do poor decisions keep me from reconciliation with God? Do I have to carry this guilt around forever? Students will see how David's poor decision led to God's discipline which developed character. Students will be reminded of the hope for reconciliation in spite of bad decisions.
Scripture: 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 14-15, 26; 12:1 – 10, 13-14, 20
Key Verse: Psalm 31:4-5

Day 4 ☰ Point of Connection

David and Jonathan: How do the people in my life influence my decisions? Students will discover the role of community and the importance of accountability and mentorship in holy discernment. Students will see this by looking at David's relationship with Jonathan and Nathan.
Scripture: 1 Samuel 18:1, 3-4; 19:1-7 (Reference back to 2 Samuel 12:1 – 7, 11-13, 20 from Day 3 for Nathan)
Key Verse: Psalm 133:1

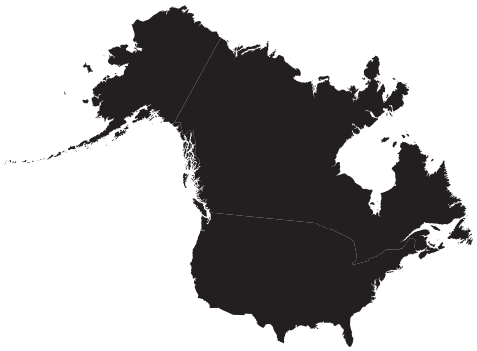
MISSIONS OVERVIEW

Every summer at FUGE Camps, we collect a missions offering. That offering is collected at each location every week and at the end of the summer is distributed between the International Mission Board (IMB), the North American Mission Board (NAMB), and local community ministries MFuge and XFuge on Mission work with throughout the summer.

EAST ASIA

Our missions focus on East Asia began last summer. We learned that nearly 1.3 billion people in this area have little to no access to the gospel. We are continuing this partnership with the International Mission Board (IMB) to share the name of Jesus with the East Asian people. You have an opportunity to further God's kingdom through this partnership. Visit fugecamps.com for the pre-camp giving guide for ideas and resources your church can use to raise money for the missions offering. Visit **www.fugeforasia.com** for more information.

NORTH AMERICA



We are partnering with the North American Mission Board again this year in continuing to plant churches throughout the United States and Canada. Through Send North America our goal is to to help move churches and individuals into all regions of North America to plant churches and spread the Gospel. There are many ways for students and youth groups to get involved from short term to long term projects. Visit **sendme.namb.net** for more information.

LOCAL COMMUNITY

Every year a portion of the mission offering received at camp goes back to the local community through MFuge and XFuge on Mission grants. Local ministries that we partner with can apply for the grant to continue ministry throughout the year. It is amazing to see how the Lord uses these ministries throughout the year.

MFUGE MINISTRY TRACK OPTIONS

Children's Ministry
This ministry track involves working with children in a variety of settings including: Vacation Bible Schools, Backyard Bible Clubs, Day Camps, and other site-specific work with children. Groups may work at churches, community centers, apartment complexes, children's homes, etc. The purpose of this track is to provide students with the opportunity to teach and lead children through Bible stories, games, crafts and music.

Games and Recreation Ministry
This ministry track is designed to help students use their athletic ability and willing hearts to share the gospel through sportsmanship and Christ-like attitudes. These tracks are located in children's centers or homes, apartment complexes, community centers and boys and girls clubs. Games and Recreation tracks will not always have the opportunity to lead Bible stories or share the Gospel directly, but will focus more on relational evangelism through intentional conversations. This track ministers to people of all ages, from Pre-K to high school and even adults.

Homeless Ministry
This track is designed to minister specifically to the homeless population. Students will spend each day visiting with the homeless in shelters, building relationships, serving meals, leading games with children, etc.

Painting, Construction, and Yard Work Ministry
Students in this track will spend their time doing yard work, repairing, cleaning, painting, and light construction work. These tracks work with various organizations such as Habitat for Humanity and local housing authorities to meet the physical needs of churches, schools, families and individuals. Students in this track will be encouraged to share the love of Christ with people they are working for and with people they encounter through their work.

Social Ministry
This ministry track provides students a variety of ministry opportunities for meeting the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual needs of people. Students in this track may minister in: mentally/physically handicapped centers, nursing homes, homeless shelters, soup kitchens, food banks, clothing closets, furniture distribution centers, refugee ministries, prison ministries, Baptist Centers, Salvation Army Sites, and other community organizations with similar purposes. Students will work both directly with people in the community as well as behind the scenes.

NIGHT LIFE

DECODE

A mysterious “Amazing Race” type experience where students race the clock to “decode” the secret messages of East Asian influence. Using smart phone technology, Instagram and their Bible app, students will try to be the first to crack the code before time ends. **Dress in dark clothing and wear spy gear.**

DECIDE

A contemplative prayer experience where students pray for the nations while traveling to 6 different stations on campus by their decisions. Eventually, they will come to the decision point: In what way will I help further the message of Jesus Christ? Or will I not?

MEGA RELAY

Get your game faces on and come ready to compete for the FUGE Cup! This year’s Mega Relay theme is “WHITE OUT.” If you choose to participate in the WHITE OUT, please have students wear dark shirts underneath their white apparel.

CAMP SCHEDULE

Opening Day

1:00 – 4:00 PM	Registration
5:00 PM	Dinner
6:30 PM	Opening Celebration
7:30 PM	Adults: All adults meet together Students: MTET/Track Planning
9:15 PM	Church Group Rally
9:45 PM	Church Group Time
11:00 PM	In Rooms
11:30 PM	Lights Out

Days 1, 3 & 4 of Camp

7:00 AM	Breakfast
8:00 AM	Morning Celebration
8:45 AM	Quiet Time / Bible Study
10:15 AM	Ministry Site Send Off
3:30 PM	Return from Sites / Hang Time
5:00 PM	Dinner
6:30 PM	Worship
8:00 PM	Church Group Time
9:45 PM	Night Life
10:30 PM	Hang Time
11:00 PM	In Rooms (Note: This will be 11:30 PM on the last night.)
11:30 PM	Lights Out

Day 2 of Camp

*Morning Schedule is the same as Days 1, 3, & 4

3:30 PM	Worship
5:00 PM	Extended Free Time / Church Group Time
11:00 PM	In Rooms
11:30 PM	Lights Out

Closing Day

7:00 AM	Breakfast
8:00 AM	Quiet Time / Bible Study
9:45 AM	Closing Celebration
10:45 AM	Churches Depart

RESOURCES

PARENT DEVOTIONS

Parent Devotions are available on www.fugecamps.com after April 1. Click on “I’m a Parent” to gain access to the devotions. This resource gives you the ability to study what your students are learning in Bible study.

AFTER CAMP BIBLE STUDY AND QUIET TIMES

FUGE Camps provides an After Camp Bible Study designed to follow the camp experience. Students are provided with seven after camp quiet times. These resources can be found on www.fugecamps.com after April 1. Students will need to click on “I’m a Student” to gain access to the quiet times.

CAMP STORE CARDS

For the 2nd straight year, FUGE Camps is offering parents the opportunity to purchase camp store cards prior to camp! Parents can get them in increments of $10, $25, or $50 for their students to spend in the FUGE Store. Note: Camp store cards are only good in the FUGE store, not for any other stores at your camp location. See the order form on the following page. Any unused amount will go toward our missions offering to support the IMB’s work in East Asia.

MEGA BAG PRE-ORDER

For the 4th straight year, you can secure your very own MEGA Bag by pre-ordering NOW! In your MEGA Bag, you'll find everything you need for Mega Relay bundled together for one low price. Contents include a t-shirt, water bottle, headband/sweatband, socks, and of course, the bag to hold it all! The theme for this summer's Mega Relay is "WHITE OUT." Come decked out in all your white apparel. If you choose to participate in the WHITE OUT, please have students wear dark shirts underneath their white clothing. This can be yours for one low price of $35, a savings of $12. You can't beat this deal and you'll be ready to hit the MEGA Relay field in style. NOTE: The MEGA Bag is NOT required for participation in Mega Relay.

Here's how it works:
1. Print off the order form below.
2. Turn in the pre-order form for MEGA Bags and camp store cards to the Group Leader prior to May 15th so they can place the order. All orders at camp are on a first come, first served basis, while supplies last.
3. Group Leaders ONLY will go online to pre-order! (One preorder per church)
4. Parents will pay the Group Leader prior to leaving for camp or upon turning in their form.
5. The Group Leader will then make one payment for ALL preorders once they arrive at their camp location.
6. Group Leaders will be handed a voucher for each MEGA Bag pre-order and any camp store cards.
7. Students will come to the FUGE Store to pick up their MEGA Bags and use their store cards.

PRE-ORDER FORM

Parents:
Turn this completed form into your group leader prior to May 15th.

Camper Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

How many MEGA Bags would you like to order? ($35 each): _____
Camper T-shirt size (S-3XL): _____ (if ordering more than 1, list all sizes)

Would you like to order camp store cards for your students? Yes / No

If so, choose the amount: _____$10 _____$25 _____$50