

Men's Adventure Weekend

FAQ Sheet

I want to carpool or share accommodations; how do I find other people for that?

We recommend that you call or email the committee chair John Roeda to speak to him about that as soon as possible so he can form these groups. Please don't wait for a call or contact, get in touch with him or another committee member very soon. Numbers are listed at the bottom of this page!

What should I bring?

The list is endlessly varied, depending on your accommodations, your planned activities, and your personal preferences. However, in addition to the natural things (change of underwear and flashlight), we do suggest the following:

- Bible
- Contact information
- Current health insurance information
- Flashlight
- Camp chair
- Adventure gear (bikes, helmets, fishing equipment/fishing license, etc.)
- Mosquito repellent and sunscreen
- Water bottles/CamelBaks
- Sleeping bag/tent; or other accommodations. Let us know if you need a place to sleep.
- Towels and personal hygiene stuff
- Camera (optional, but we love to gather all the pics!)
- Sunglasses
- Bathing Suit---which can be used in the Owens River or in the HOT SPRINGS!!!

Note that showers are not available at the campsite. One option is the Owens River right behind camp. It is very cold and very invigorating! There are also some showers available in Bishop. Some of the guys in RVs also seem to stay clean somehow.

Is alcohol prohibited on MAW?

Alcohol is not prohibited on the Men's Adventure Weekend; **HOWEVER**, it is understood that those who choose to drink will drink responsibly and will, while drinking, absolutely refrain from engaging in activities that will place themselves or anyone else in danger. Those who violate this policy will be asked to leave.

Remember that our group represents CrossPoint Church and, of course, the church at large and Christ himself. It would be unacceptable to open any of those we represent to embarrassment.

Is this a "Spiritual Retreat?"

We do have nightly worship times, and we have a church service on Sunday. But fishing, hiking, four-wheeling, golfing and swimming in the just-thawed Owens River are as spiritual an activity as any. We believe that God reveals himself through his creation - and there's lots of creation to be amazed about on this trip!

So.... do I HAVE to go to worship times?

Attending worship times is STRONGLY encouraged. We want to honor those who have volunteered to speak to us by showing up to hear what is on their hearts. There is power in hearing stories from other men. And though we recognize that we spend our days in “small groups” out fishing, hiking, and jeeping, many strong and enduring friendships have come from our worship times. In essence, they are the celebration at the end of the day. (Worship times take place every night Thursday - Saturday, and Sunday morning).

You don’t do those “Small Group” things, do you?

No, we don’t. Our worship time together at the end of each day is intended to be a low-pressure talk about the topic we’ve chosen. You are then free to continue discussing the topic or talk about whatever you choose.

I’m under 18; can I go on Men’s Adventure Weekend?

Sorry, but no. We look forward to you attending once you hit 18 though!

I’m under 21; can I go on Men’s Adventure Weekend?

Those men from 18-21 years of age who wish to attend are encouraged to do so! However, because there is no formal supervision provided, we do require that those prospective attendees from 18-21 find another attending man to “sponsor” them. One of the most beneficial products of the MAW is the cross-generational bonding of adults that takes place.

What is a sponsor and how do I get one?

A sponsor is any attending man over 21 years of age who agrees to take responsibility for arranging accommodations, providing general supervision, and taking ultimate responsibility for the younger party. This does not mean that the sponsor and younger party must spend the entire weekend together, only that the sponsor agrees to take responsibility for the younger party.

Ask men you know who are going on the trip to sponsor you. If you cannot locate one, please contact any of the members of the Men’s Adventure Committee, and we will attempt to locate one for you. If you or your potential sponsor has questions about what the sponsorship would entail, please contact any member of the Men’s Adventure Committee.

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