Luther Crest Statement of Goals

The goal of Luther Crest Bible Camp is for each participant to grow in his/her understanding, appreciation and knowledge of: God, Others, Self and Creation.

God is calling Luther Crest to provide a Christ-centered ministry to all people. Therefore:

We **commit** to nurturing faith **through**:

A. Creating "places apart" where guests can see Christ
B. Bible studies that are applied to our guests' lives
C. Worship and music that teaches and inspires
D. A place for safe dialogue and exploration of faith and faith-related issues
E. Programming that is Christ-centered and applicable to the lives of the participants.

We **commit** to creating community **through**:

A. A caring and accepting community that encourages growth
B. Well-managed facilities that are inviting to guests.
C. Highly-trained counselors and retreat hosts who serve as mentors in inviting Christ into participants' lives.
D. Outdoor activities and cooperative games that inspire contagious enthusiasm.
E. Empowering others to become leaders.
F. Partnering with congregations.

We **commit** to instilling creation stewardship **through**:

A. Enjoyment of and responsibility for God's creation
B. Hands-on mission projects to discover and live God's mission
C. Self-assessment and feedback of gifts, abilities and strengths
D. Promoting healing and wholeness in our people and world

Specific objectives in terms of summer camper development include but are not limited to the following:

A. Articulate a minimum of five new Biblical insights which give relevance to the Christian faith in daily living.
B. Learn at least three camp songs which witness to faith in Jesus Christ.
C. Participate in at least three activities which provide opportunity for witnessing the gospel of Christ.
D. Identify no less than three experiences which allow the camper to care for or be cared for by another camper.
E. Construct or find two objects, acknowledged as one's own.
F. Participate in a minimum of three individual or group activities which enhance a feeling of self-worth.
G. Participate in a recreational activity of a non-competitive nature.

H. Plan and carry out with other campers a project which contributes to the fun and enjoyment of other community members.
I. Identify at least 3 specific ways to care for the environment.
J. Prepare at least one meal over an open flame.
K. Identify 3 new camping insights on skills learned at camp.