

Bible Camp Information & Application Guide



A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTORS

Thank you for your interest in partnering with *On Eagle's Wings* as a Volunteer Bible Camp Teacher.

You are about to embark on a life-changing journey.

You will visit new communities, meet new people, hear new stories, play new games, eat new foods, and have new experiences.

You will tell Bible stories, and share God's love with those you meet. In each encounter, you will demonstrate what it means to walk a living and active faith.

You will make a lasting impact on the lives of the children and adults you meet. They will also make a lasting impact on you!

While running Bible Camps in the North certainly comes with a fair share of challenges, it is a rich and rewarding experience for all who take part.



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About On Eagle's Wings Bible Camp Program

While our Bible Camp programs run year round, most take place in the Summer months.

Teams of 3 to 6 volunteers are invited as guests to a remote community where they will run a 5 day Camp for 5-11 year old children.



On Eagle's Wings provides the curriculum, craft supplies and templates needed to facilitate the Camp.

The local community provides a venue and accommodations for the team. You could be sleeping in a parish hall, a mission house, hotel, or anything in between.

The children have a high level of energy, and will thrive in your presence.

You will spend time with community leaders, parents, church leaders and others during your time in the North. You may also be required to “think on your feet” and deal with unexpected situations (for example bad weather, change of venue, community events, team dynamics, local tragedy).

As a result, you need to bring a high degree of flexibility to your team.



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In order not to place an undue burden on communities we visit, Bible Camp teams provide their own food and meals, as well as snacks for the children.

These are often sourced within the community. However teams can also bring food and snack items to share from their hometowns.

More details can be found on the FAQ page below. A volunteer handbook will also be provided as you prepare for your time in the North.



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We want to ensure you fully enjoy your experience serving in Northern Canada.

As a result, we ask you to commit to operating under our Core Values.

OUR CORE VALUES

As guests in another culture, we ask Team Members to interact with the community, and each other, in accordance with our core values detailed below.

01

Respect

We choose to treat others with kindness, dignity and consideration regardless of the differences in our cultural and personal backgrounds. We create an environment where we honour one another.

02

Integrity

We choose to be a people who are trustworthy and dependable. Our "yes" means yes, and our "no" means no. There is a consistency to both our words and actions. We choose to do the right thing, even when it is difficult.

03

Stewardship

We are responsible when it comes to managing our time and resources. We take care of that which has been entrusted to us, whether that is money, property, the environment, or the children in our care at Bible Camp.

04

Ecumenism

We are a partnership of Christ followers working together to proclaim Jesus Christ and serve the Church and individuals. We remain theologically faithful to our denominational backgrounds, yet sensitive to the cultures and diverse traditions of northern Christians.

GREAT TEAM MEMBERS

Every year, volunteer Team Members join in our mission to proclaim Jesus Christ, and to serve the Church and individuals in remote and isolated communities of Northern Canada. Our Team Members are :



Mature

- aged 18 - 80
- enthusiastic
- mature in faith

Adventurous

- team players
- able to teach high energy kids
- comfortable in other cultures



Sensitive

- able to encourage local leaders
- able to identify potential leaders
- sensitive to the needs of others

Are you ready to partner with us by joining a Bible Camp team in Northern Canada?

The following pages explain the application process in a little more detail.

BIBLE CAMP FAQ'S

How much does it cost?

You will need to pay for the following:

- The cost of travel to Yellowknife or Edmonton as advised by our Ministry Team (The cost of flights vary depending on where you are flying from)
- Donation to *On Eagle's Wings* (\$500 per person suggested)
- Cost of your food
- Cost of snacks for children at Bible Camp

Fundraising is a great option and many people choose to raise support with the help of their congregation and friends.

Why am I requested to make a monetary donation?

Your donation helps offset the cost of your travel in the North. *On Eagle's Wings* typically pays \$1,800-\$7,600 to cover the cost of each volunteer's onward travel from Edmonton or Yellowknife. We cover these extra costs as a "thank you" for your time volunteering, however any additional donations you or your congregation can make towards these is extremely helpful.

Do I have to pay for accommodations?

No. *On Eagle's Wings* works with our Northern partners to provide free accommodations while you serve in the North.

Please note that you may still be responsible for costs related to travel to our Ministry Base, or additional accommodation costs if your return flight is delayed or cancelled.

Do I have to provide my own food?

Yes. You will need to plan for your own meals while in the North and provide snacks for the children attending Bible Camp.

We recommend bringing a few non-perishable items with you, but we strongly encourage teams to purchase food locally when possible. Supporting local stores helps bless the community, even though prices for many items will be 2-3 times higher.

BIBLE CAMP FAQ'S

How long are the Bible Camps?

Bible Camps run for 5 days, typically 2-3 hours per day.

We recommend setting aside 7-12 days total for your trip. Teams are encouraged to arrive in the community 1-2 days before camp begins as travel in the North can sometimes include weather delays or other unexpected changes.

How much preparation time is required?

Serving as a Bible Camp Teacher does require preparation, but our team at *On Eagle's Wings* will support you every step of the way to make the process as smooth as possible.

All Bible Camp volunteers are required to complete a 1-2 hour Abuse Prevention Training course. This online course can be completed at your own pace and must be finished before your trip. This training will need to be completed annually.

We also recommend that team members meet ahead of their scheduled trip to delegate roles, plan travel, meals, and other logistics. These meetings can take place in-person or online.

During the week of camp, teams should expect to participate in daily preparation, team meetings, set up, and tear down.

What does On Eagle's Wings provide for each Bible Camp team?

We provide the following:

- A flexible 5- day Bible Camp curriculum
- All printed materials and camp supplies (scissors, glue, markers, and more)
- One-on-one planning and support from our Ministry Manager
- Accommodation arrangements in the North
- Flights and travel from one of our Ministry Bases to the Northern community.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 01 Complete Application**

These forms are provided to applicants upon request. Once completed, *On Eagle's Wings* will carefully review the application to determine an applicants suitability as a Bible Camp volunteer. This process will include in depth screening forms and an initial interview.
- 02 Submit a clean Criminal Record Check**

Your CRC must include a Vulnerable Sector search. Returning applicants will need to obtain a new CRC every 2 years.
- 03 Await Confirmation of Acceptance**

Once your application has been received and approved, we will contact the references you provided and review your Criminal Record Check.
- 04 Complete Training**

You must complete a short Abuse Prevention and Awareness Training course prior to serving on a team.
- 05 Make a Donation to the Northern Travel Fund**

We suggest a donation of \$500 per person towards the cost of travel in the North. This is a tax-deductible donation.
- 06 Receive the Details of your Trip**

We will confirm your destination and the Ministry Base you will depart from. You will then be directed to book your flights to the Ministry Base.

GETTING STARTED

To begin your application process, email our Ministry Team at volunteer@oneagleswings.ca and they will send an application pack to you.

Please note that you will require a computer or tablet to complete your application.



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BOOKING TRAVEL



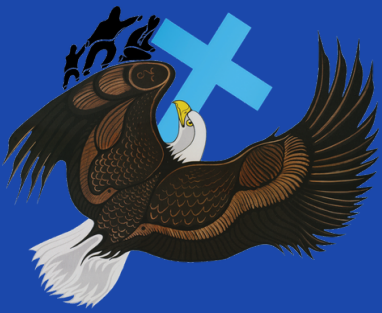
Once you've been accepted on a team and you have completed Step 4 and 5, you will be advised of the community / communities you will be a guest in (Step 6).

We will book your onward travel from one of our Ministry Bases (either Edmonton or Yellowknife) to your community.

You will be required to make your own travel arrangements to the Ministry Base, and home from the Ministry Base on the dates we provide.

It is imperative that you do not book this travel until you hear from us.





Thank you for taking the time to
prepare an application to be part of
a Bible Camp team!

THANK YOU



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