

Our 26th Annual Middle School Conference

Massanetta Middle School Conference transforms the faith journeys of hundreds of middle schoolers from all around the country. Every aspect of this conference is crafted with middle schoolers in mind. Conference activities like keynote, recreation, encounter groups, and workshops are centered on the theme "*created. claimed. called. y'all are mine*" and our key scripture verse Isaiah 43:1-2.

*"Do not fear for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name."*

We promise it will be one of the best things your youth group does all year

Please read through all information included in the packet. You will find everything you need to register for MSC.

- Registration instructions
- Church Contact Sheet
- Registration/Covenant Forms
- Workshop List/Descriptions
- Scholarship Forms
- Housing Preference Form
- What to Bring List

If you have any questions, please feel free to call **Nola Avey, Registrar for MSC at 540.434.3829** or e-mail at nolaa@massanettasprings.org

A Typical Conference Day

8:00-9:00 am	Breakfast
9:00-10:45 am	Theme Presentations
11:00-12:30 pm	Workshops
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch
1:45-3:15 pm	Afternoon Recreation
3:30-5:00 pm	Free Time
5:00-6:00 pm	Dinner
6:00-7:15 pm	Theme Presentations
7:30-9:00 pm	Workshops
9:15-10:30 pm	Fun for everyone!
10:30-11:00 pm	Back Home Devos
11:15 pm	Lights out/Curfew

MSC is primarily designed for youth who have completed grades 6-8. However, we recognize some churches include their rising 6th graders in summer youth activities. If you are planning to bring rising 6th graders with you, please note them on the registration and covenant form.

Meet our Co-Directors for 2018

Each year, four fantastic leaders say YES to the call to serve youth and adults at the MSC. Be in prayer for these directors as they are in prayer for you and your youth.

June Co-Directors

Haley Jones— Second Grade teacher from Raleigh NC, and youth advisor White Memorial PC.

Chelsey McElwee—Works for Orange County School System and lives in Carrboro, NC.

July Co-Directors

Shasta Bode-Brown— Director of Christian Education & Youth Leader, First Presbyterian Church Mt. Airy, NC.

Kelly Kaufman— Parish Associate for Children's Ministries at Olivet Presbyterian Church and the Community Outreach Coordinator for GenOn Ministries.

MSC 2018 Registration and Covenant

Please fill in everything and print or type clearly!

Participant's Name (as to appear on nametag) _____

Home Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Gender:

Female Male

Grade (current grade)

6th 7th 8th Adult

T-shirt size (ALL are adult sizes)

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YOUTH: An Adult is asked to complete this for or with the youth.

1st Parent or Guardian's Name _____

Best Email: _____ Best Phone: (____) _____

2nd Parent or Guardian's Name _____

Best Email: _____ Best Phone: (____) _____

ADULTS: Adults in attendance are asked to share this information.

Adult Participant email and cell _____ (____) _____

Emergency contact name & cell _____ (____) _____

Are there any medical (physical or mental) needs that we need to be aware of (allergies, medications, etc.)?

Are there any special dietary requests? (Please use the back of this form if you need more space)

Workshops: Top 5 choices for the 4 workshops: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____ 5th _____

CIRCLE Conference Session: June 21-24 June 26-29 July 5-8 July 10-13

Church (name, city and state) _____

As a participant, I agree to the following covenant: I have willingly chosen to participate in the Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference. As a participant, I will work towards the goals of this event and the building of our group into a Christian community by:

- participating wholeheartedly and enthusiastically in all activities planned for my group
- speaking up when I have a problem or need
- listening and responding to the needs of others
- following the guidance of all adult leadership
- respecting the rights and property of others, and abiding by the rules of the Conference Center
- not using or promoting the use of controlled substances (alcohol, drugs, tobacco, flammables)
- not leaving the event grounds without my adult leader present
- encouraging others to understand and abide by this covenant, and striving to live as a supportive member of the group, and as a good example to those with whom we are in contact.

I understand that abiding in this covenant will result in a positive group experience. I understand that failure to abide by these guidelines may result in being sent home at my parent's/guardian's expense.

Participant's Signature (Youth and Adult Leaders) _____

As the parent/guardian of this participant, in signing this Registration Form, I agree to the following:

- I give permission for my son/daughter to participate in the Middle School Conference.
- I am aware of and approve of the planned costs, dates, places, and activities of this event.
- I understand the degree of risk (if any) involved in this event and because I trust the adult leadership and my child, I hereby release Massanetta Springs Conference Center, and any of the adult leadership at the Middle School Conference, from any liability for any injury or problem occurring during participation in this event.
- I give permission for the use of photography including my child to be used for Middle School Conference publicity.
- **I have completed all the Registration Form** and it is correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that all reasonable attempts will be made to contact me in the case of an accident involving my son or daughter. In the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by my youth's adult advisor, or the Conference leadership, to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my son or daughter.

Parent's/Guardian's Signature (not required for Adult Leaders) _____

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Workshop Selections

When selecting workshops for the registration form, please use **numbers** only.

1. Side by Side	We will take a look at issues facing people around the world and close to home. Then explore ways we can walk side by side through mission and service.
2. God's got you	God says "you are mine," but what does that really mean? We will spend time reflecting and journaling about how being claimed as a child of God empowers us to pass through the waters of life without fear.
3. Called by Name	Hello, my name is _____. Come to this workshop to learn about names and their meanings. We will explore and create symbols that represent families of all kinds.
4. Pass Through The Waters	It takes trust to walk through the waters with God. Get up and get moving and take a playful approach to life's challenges.
5. Survivor: 'Netta edition	This workshop will equip you, physically, mentally and spiritually for whatever life throws at you.
6. #followme	Can you snap, 'gram, and tweet to change the world? Find out how your social media presence can reflect your faith.
7. Praisin' in the Rain	The Bible teaches us to praise God in good times and bad. Explore how music can help you through the rainy days. Here comes the "Son"!
8. Thrown by God	The God who created Jacob and Israel created each of us as unique beings. Just as a potter creates with clay, come to this workshop for a hands on experience to form your own art.
9. Rising waters	The world around us is changing, sometimes not for the better. How we live our lives can affect our world. Come learn about ways you can live responsibly in God's creation.
10. Shelter from the Storm	We often feel the waters rising and fires blazing around us. How do we address our personal storms and fires? Come pray, reflect, and meditate in a space safe from the storm.
11. God's Big Story	We are all part of God's family tree. Find out the stories of your faith ancestors and bring them to life through drama.