



An event for dads raising individuals with special needs

OCTOBER 11-13, 2024



Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Base Camp for? Dads, Stepdads, Foster Dads, and Granddads who are raising/caring for children with special needs (no matter what age your kids are).

When is it? October 11-13, 2024. Check-in begins at 4pm on Friday.

Where is it? Covenant Rest Retreat (covenantrest.com). Located on Flynn's Creek Road in Gainesboro, TN surrounded by 300 wooded acres, creeks, and pastures. Just 15 minutes from I-40 and centrally located between Nashville and Knoxville. Nearby attractions include historic Granville (15 mins), Cummins Falls State Park (20 mins), Cookeville & Tennessee Tech University (25 mins), and Burgess Falls Park (30 mins).

What does it cost and what's included? You can pick your experience! The Full Retreat runs from Friday at 6pm to Saturday at 3pm. There is an option to stay over till Sunday morning that includes a 2nd night of lodging plus bonus activities. You may also choose to just attend Friday evening or all-day Saturday. See the price list on the sign-up form.

What type of lodging? Multiple rooms that sleep anywhere from 5 to 14 guests. Bunkbeds, singles and doubles. Each room is climate controlled with bathroom facilities.

What will we be doing? Base Camp is purposefully designed to create a space where guys can connect with other dads, rest, be encouraged by speakers who "get it", enjoy some good food and have some fun!

What should I bring? Comfortable clothes, bedding (sleeping bag, pillow, etc.), toiletries, towel, bible, and any medications. There will be opportunities for down time, so feel free to bring books, kindle, cards and such. Note: It can be warm during the day and cool at night in Middle Tennessee so check the weather the week of.

Do I need any extra money? Not during your time at the retreat. You are responsible for travel expenses to and from the retreat. If you're traveling out of town or state, and would be interested in carpooling, check with us to see if others might be coming from your area.

How do I get there? Covenant Rest is located at 1321 Flynn's Creek Road / Gainesboro, TN. About 15 minutes from I-40. The closest major airport is Nashville (BNA) and the retreat is about an hour and fifteen minute drive from the airport. There is also plenty of wide-open space to land a hot-air balloon on the camp property!

Do you provide shuttle service from the airport? We are happy to work with anyone that needs help securing transportation from the airport. Please contact Steve Chatman.

Direct other questions to Steve Chatman at schatman@risingaboveministries.org or call 931.526.7473