

**SECTION III**  
**MAKE IT**  
**HAPPEN**

## Camp Classes

Activities offered at camp vary, depending on the facilities and staff available. When choosing classes, consider the age and makeup of the campers. Utilize the talents and interests of the staff as well as guest ministers. Adults who can share their hobbies enthusiastically will interest the campers more effectively.

Select classes to meet a variety of interests. Choose those who will be instructors in advance so they will have time to plan a course of action and gather materials. Provide resources and assistance to make the class as exciting as possible for everyone involved.

The following are suggestions gathered from a number of camp leaders representing activities that have been successful in camping experiences. Add your own creative ideas or choose other possibilities.

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
Art	drawing, sketching, and painting using different mediums to express creativity
Bell Choir	playing and performing hand bells or tone chimes
Bird Watching	sighting, identifying, sketching birds, and/or construction of bird houses or feeders
Boating/Canoeing	practicing skills, safety techniques
Campfire	learning techniques for building, planning, and leading campfires
Camp Log	writing, illustrating and producing a record of the camp
Clowning	learning the art of clown makeup, sight gags, and making people laugh
Crafts	making various arts/crafts that reinforce the themes
Creative Writing	developing gifts for writing poetry, descriptive prose, and short stories
Drama	preparing skits, dramas, and improvisations -
Ecology	explore camp environment
Fishing	practicing various methods, learning to clean and cook catch
Flora & Fauna	identifying wild flowers and/or sketching them; identifying trees by leaves, bark, and fruit
Games	practicing and playing indoor and outdoor games
Geology	exploring varieties of soil, rocks, and land formations
Hiking	make and follow a trail
Insects	learning to identify insects, their habitat, contribution to nature, and/or sketching them
Jazzercise	exercising with music
Kiting	making and flying kites
Lifesaving	offer Red Cross lifesaving class
Micro-life	studying pond or lake water or decaying material with a magnifying glass or microscope
Music	learning and singing new songs
Nuts & Bolts	improvement projects for the campgrounds (repair screen, build bridge, fix backstop, etc.)
Orienteering	mastering map reading, map making, and using a compass
Outdoor Living	learning and developing camp out skills, i.e. cooking, fire building, shelters.

Painting	learning to paint on surfaces such as wood, canvas, fabric, or T-shirts
Photography	taking pictures to fit subject areas
Puppetry	making puppets, writing scripts, and performing plays
Quilting/Needlework	making simple needlework projects
Ropes & More	rope making, knot tying, braiding
Swimming	learning basic swimming skills
Target Practice	developing safe and skillful archery techniques
Ugly Duckling	discussing, role playing, family situations, peer pressure, values, etc.
Vital Signs	CPR class
Wax Works	molding and/or dipping candles
Wood burning	using wood burning tools
Xylophones	learning about various musical instruments
Yarning	study of yarn, string, and other weaving things
Zoology	study of animal life around the campgrounds