MAPLERIDGE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: CAMP DAD

MAPLERIDGE Camp Dad Volunteer FAQs

"Each of you should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Why should I consider this volunteer opportunity?

MAPLERIDGE is an exceptional place. Every summer since 1955, this camp has had the privilege of watching the Lord do amazing things in the hearts of young people. Not only are life-long relationships formed, but for most people, some of the best times of their lives happened here on this property! You can make great memories and join us in the Lord's work through meaningful hands-on service!

Would I be a good fit for the Camp Dad position?

We're looking for someone who loves Jesus, enjoys working with their hands, and has a heart to serve. The Camp Dad helps keep things running smoothly behind the scenes by assisting with maintenance, upkeep, and various work projects around Camp property.

This position is great for:

- Individuals who enjoy outdoor work, fixing things, and serving quietly behind the scenes.
- Retired individuals or parents looking to serve together
- Married couples who want to volunteer side by side (the wife could serve as our "Camp Mom"!)

What will I be doing?

Each day looks a little different depending on camp needs and your skill set. The Camp Dad position is flexible and tailored to each volunteer's abilities and giftings.

Some examples of daily tasks include:

- Mowing, weed eating, and general groundskeeping
- Assisting with various maintenance requests
- Helping with repairs, painting, or simple carpentry
- Running errands
- Working on special construction projects

You won't necessarily follow a set schedule, but will be available throughout the day to lend a hand where it's needed most. Each week may include up to two Camp Dads, and responsibilities may be divided based on each person's experience and strengths.

Every task, big or small, helps keep camp ministry thriving! Outside of these responsibilities, we also invite you to spend time socializing and being involved in the life of camp as much as possible.

Can I bring my family?

Yes! The Camp Dad may serve individually or with a spouse. If your spouse joins, she's welcome to take part in the "Camp Mom" role - helping with administrative and hospitality needs.

Children are welcome, but please note:

- **Camper-aged children (7–17)** must be registered as campers.
- Any **younger children** must be supervised at all times by a parent or guardian.

Where will I stay?

You'll stay in a clean, comfortable camper on camp property, with a bathroom, shower, small kitchenette, and sleeping space for one married couple and up to 3 children!

How long is the commitment?
The Camp Dad commitment is for one session of camp (Sunday afternoon - Saturday morning)! We'll coordinate with you to learn your available dates and then recommend which session would be the best fit for your schedule and for camp needs. For this volunteer opportunity, we ask that you serve no more than 2 sessions in order to make space for more people to have the opportunity to serve with us!

Will I get to be part of camp life?
Absolutely! You'll be an essential part of the Mapleridge family for the week. When you're not on a project or task, you're encouraged to join us for meals, chapel, evening campfires, or just enjoy the energy of camp life. There is no pressure… but you will likely enjoy participating, spectating, and socializing with campers and Staff!

Please note: If your child is a camper, we encourage you to limit contact with your camper as much as possible. This ensures they have the whole "Camp Experience" and that our Staff can provide the best care possible. As a camp policy, we do not permit volunteers or Staff to visit their child's cabin, skill areas, or team activities.

2027 SESSION DATES
- Session 1: June 20-26
- Session 2: June 27–July 3
- Session 3: July 4-10
- Session 4: July 11-17
- Session 5: July 18-24
- Session 6: July 25-31
- Session 7: August 1-7

I'm interested… now what?
Fill out our MAPLERIDGE Summer Volunteer Interest Form and one of our staff members will reach out to you to determine if serving will be a good fit for you this summer!

Come join us in this unique and meaningful way to serve. Your presence will bless our staff, encourage our campers, and help advance an atmosphere of servant leadership and Christ-like excellence at MAPLERIDGE Ranch.