

April 17, 2020

Dear Friends of Green Lake Lutheran Ministries,

As we continue to live through this very unique time in our history, we wanted to assure you that Green Lake Lutheran Ministries is taking a careful, measured, and faithful approach to our response to COVID-19. **Our Board of Directors, staff, and industry experts have been working hard to make the best decisions for the safety of our guests and the mission of GLLM.**

The summer season is just under two months away, and we are actively preparing for various scenarios. **First and foremost, that means that we are getting ready to safely and joyfully host campers when the current restrictions of daily life are lifted.** At the same time, we are also carefully analyzing the latest guidelines and recommendations from the CDC and the state of Minnesota. As clear guidance comes out for summer camp operations, we will communicate with you about what summer at GLLM will look like. As we stated in previous statements, we think camp is too important to too many people to make any big decisions today.

As we look ahead with hope for the joyful noise and faith-centered community of summer camp, we want you to know that **we are still accepting registrations for all of our summer camp programs.** We have updated our cancellation policy to include a FULL refund should local or state guidelines advise canceling any programming. Camp has the potential to play a huge role in bringing us all out of our homes and back together this summer. So, register today! We hope you'll be here with us.

You should also know that GLLM will be closed to retreat guests through May 4. If you were scheduled to come to stay, our staff has already been in touch with you. We do have an office presence during this time, so feel free to call if you have any questions! **You can also call to book a new retreat!** We have a no-fee cancellation policy related to COVID-19, so there is no risk of calling to schedule your next gathering today.

We are committed to keeping you updated as we adapt to the changing world around us. **We anticipate that we will have more communication to share in early May.** As we look ahead at what is coming next for all of us, we trust that God is with us every step of the way.

God's peace to you,

GLLM

***As you consider what you can do to support our ministry during this time, financial gifts of any amount will go a long way.*** You can give online here: <https://www.gllm.org/give-today.html>. The mail is still a great option as well!