

# About Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp

In the rocky hills of southern Oklahoma, just 15 minutes from Lake Texoma, there is a wilderness opened for adventure and personal growth—Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp (PSCC). PSCC provides an environment



immensely suitable for spiritual growth and for building and strengthening relationships. PSCC has a great history, an amazing tradition, and a respected reputation.



The Camp is named for a number of natural springs located on the property and for a Chickasaw Nation Indian Chief who settled his tribe here in the mid-1800's. Chief Pettijohn selected this area

for its abundant spring water, good hunting, and excellent grazing land. The land was deeded from the Chickasaw Nation to Chief Pettijohn in 1906.

In 1924 the area was established as a spa and resort, with a lodge, cabins, and a huge swimming pool. It grew and



became very popular after the construction of US Highway 70. The resort closed in 1939, when the lodge was destroyed by fire. The land then

changed hands several times until Earl and Sylvia Ayres purchased it in 1962. Mr. Ayres had long dreamed of a church camp in this area. At his passing in 1968, his family deeded the

original 60 acres to become Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp. On December 26, 1968, the Madill Record declared, "Pettijohn Springs Is Coming Back to Life!" and predicted "the surroundings will ring with the sound of happy children." In June 1971, the first summer camp session was held. Since that time the facilities have grown to include approximately 135



acres, climate-controlled cabins, 5-acre lake, recreation areas, Little Chapel, a full-service dining hall, covered pavilion, swimming pool and many other wonderful amenities.



In the almost 40 years of operations thousands of youth and adults have enjoyed enriching their lives in this spiritual and natural setting. PSCC is a highly effective and extremely necessary mission work going on in our own backyard. A board of faithful members of the churches of Christ from Oklahoma and Texas oversee the facilities and services provided by the Camp. Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp is operated year-round, providing facilities for summer sessions, retreats, workshops, reunions, and other activities.



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A Camp Planned for You



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## Outdoor Recreation

In attempt to strengthen the ‘whole person’, there is an abundance of outdoor recreation areas at PSCC. These include, but are not limited to:



- Swimming Pool with volleyball net, diving board, wet slide and life-saving equipment. You must provide a qualified lifeguard during all swim times. Seasonal availability.
- Baseball field with backstop and all equipment.
- Outdoor basketball court
- Volleyball courts—sand and grass
- Horseshoe pits and horseshoes
- Soccer field and goals
- Floor Hockey in the pavilion
- Playground with slides, swings and climbers
- Five acre lake
- Campfire areas
- Limited hiking trails (with supervision)

The possibilities are unlimited for outdoor activities at Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp. New ideas and innovations are added every year.

## Lodging

There are two areas of lodging (boys and girls for camp sessions). The large area has 10 cabins with 14 beds each and bath houses. The smaller area has 6 cabins with 14 beds each, 1 building with 30 beds, and bath houses. Also available is a directors’ cabin with 6 beds, refrigerator and bath house. All cabins are equipped with heat and air. Maximum capacity is 260. There is also a Nurse’s station with fully stocked first-aid station, two beds and full bath.



## Dining Hall and Kitchen

The Clint Williams dining hall will seat 240 on fold-up dining tables. There are also banquet style tables and chairs available for your special event or retreat. The brick fireplace adds just the right touch during colder months.



The commercial kitchen has everything you need to prepare food for a large or small group. It is equipped with refrigeration, freezer space, industrial dishwasher, icemaker, coffee maker, iced tea maker, pots, pans and utensils.



## Chapel

The “Little Chapel” is an excellent facility for your lecture, Bible study or worship times. It will seat up to 300 and has central heat and air,

song books and a sound system. The recently updated interior makes it a wonderful ‘sanctuary’ for spiritual enrichment and growth. There are no musical instruments, food, drink or gum allowed in the chapel.

## Pavilion

The 60’ X 120’ pavilion makes open-air activities possible with limited protection from the elements. The building may be used for worship, entertainment, games, crafts or anything else that can be done outside. Folding chairs to seat about 200 are available upon request. Floor hockey equipment is also available upon request.



## Retreat Information

During the fall, winter and spring months Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp is host to several annual activities. Minister’s Retreats, Ladies’ Retreats, Youth Retreats, Congregational and Family Retreats, Family Reunions, work days and other activities take place throughout the calendar year. Most of these activities are open to anyone wishing to attend and you may contact us for information and dates. PSCC would be an ideal location for your next retreat or special event. To schedule a retreat or for more information you may contact the office at 580.795.5015; or email [manager@pettijohnsprings.com](mailto:manager@pettijohnsprings.com).



## Retreat Fee Schedule

1st Night—\$175 for the first 25 campers, then \$6 per night for each additional camper.  
2nd night and each succeeding night—\$6 per night for each camper.

## Dining Hall and Meal Cost

Dining Hall rental: \$150 per day for overnight retreats providing their own food; \$250 per day if no overnight stay.



Meals may be provided by the camp staff on a limited basis for groups of 25 or more. Four weeks notice is necessary and the cost is \$6 per meal per person.

## Deposit

A \$175 minimum deposit is required to schedule retreat dates. The per night cost will be due at the close of the retreat. 4 weeks prior cancellation is required to receive a refund of the deposit.

