



Greetings to Pastors, Church Council Chairs, Lay Leaders,

The South Seville Camp Meeting (SSCM) is an historic partner with the Cape Atlantic District and congregations across the region. Founded in 1863, SSCM remains a great source of revival and spiritual renewal key to founding and growing several Cape Atlantic congregations. Nestled in 25 acres of woods and located at 188 Dennisville Road in South Seville, the pictured open-air Tabernacle is surrounded by 90 “gingerbread” cottages largely built in the 1800s. Each summer during the last two full-weeks of July, the cottagers come together to praise the Lord and refresh/renew in Christian fellowship.

This year we are intentional in renewing and strengthening this partnership. “Church Nights” during camp and “youth retreats” in Spring/Summer/Fall are the 2018 focus.

Church Nights: 2018 Camp meeting runs from July 15 - 29. Evening services are held from Sunday through Friday night for each of the two weeks. The goal is to have one or several congregations sign up to attend services for as many evenings as possible in this first year of renewed partnership.

- Pastor: As “visiting host,” the visiting Pastor brings as many congregants as possible. He/she can also provide the opening, evening prayer leading to the message by the camp evangelists.
- Music: Bless SSCM with your musical talents – choir, praise or individual as available. We will connect you with the SSCM Musical Director to either lead or participate.
- Friendship & Fellowship: in one of SSCM’s many traditions, services are followed by ice cream in Grove Hall!

Youth retreats: Renovated over the fall and winter, Oak Hall has new bunk beds for up to 50 campers! The camp is ready for single night to full week stays from April through October. A short *five* miles from the ocean, SSCM offers a location for experiences of spiritual growth and fun.

I want your congregations to be aware of all that is stirring and search for ways we can grow together. I am excited about the possibilities and look forward to having every night of camp meeting being hosted by one or a group/cluster of several District congregations. *We are stronger together.*

Learn more about SSCM at www.southsevillecampmeeting.org

For additional information, you can initially contact SSCM President Grant Karsner (609-206-3477) who can answer questions and direct you to cottage leaders for further information about camp and reservations.

Partners in Christ,
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