



# CampSunrise™

A safe place for grieving kids

FREE!



Camp Sunrise is a weekend bereavement camp for children ages 6 to 17, which provides a safe place for children to share their grief with peers who have also suffered the loss of a loved one.

Licensed counselors and trained facilitators lead children and teens through fun, high-energy activities, which provide healthy ways to express feelings and help develop coping strategies for their journey toward hope and healing.

**JULY 9 - 11,  
2021**

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*For more than 10 years, ChristianWorks has been serving children suffering from grief and loss through our bereavement camp. The camp began as a partnership between our organization and the Moyer Foundation and was originally called Camp Erin. This year, the camp became fully-funded by ChristianWorks, and its name was changed to Camp Sunrise.*

Children who attend Camp Sunrise have often experienced the death of a loved one due to disease, drownings, murders, negligence, accidents, and suicide. Grieving children are expected to be resilient and just bounce back – but statistically that is not what happens.

Without help, grieving children usually act out, do poorly in school, contemplate or choose suicide, have family problems, and/or find other ways to soothe their hurt with drugs and alcohol at early ages. They feel alone – and typically, they choose not to talk to anyone.

**Camp Sunrise provides a safe place for kids to talk, play, and understand they are not alone in this journey.**

In one of the first activities, both campers and Big Buddies realize they all have something in common – the death of a loved one. By meeting others like themselves, campers discover that they share the same feelings – and those feelings are normal and okay.

Camp Sunrise provides activities and games to honor the loved one who died, and provide coping strategies to remind the camper it is okay to grieve (and it is also okay to have fun)!

In one long weekend, campers arrive on Friday, nervous, sad, and guarded. **When they leave, we see smiles, vulnerability, and deep-rooted friendships.**

***We understand grief is a journey. Camp Sunrise provides a place and space for children and teens to come together in an atmosphere of love and acceptance.***

*Camp Sunrise also offers resources such as GriefWorks and counseling to continue the relationship with the camper's family if requested.*



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