

Webelos Woods 2003

Chaplain and Chaplain-aide Guidelines



**For
Boy Scouts and Webelos Units**

2003 Capitol Area Council
Religious Relations Committee

Chaplain and Chaplain-aides:

It is your responsibility to fulfill the two parts of the Scout Oath - Duty to God and A Scout is Reverent, for your unit's members at this campout.

First of all: you should be on the Troop/Patrol job roster to see that grace is said at each meal.

Second: you can fulfill the spiritual needs of your unit members by reviewing the meditations enclosed during the weekend.

Third: you can join the staff Chaplain in Sunday morning's chapel, meeting one hour before the flag and award service, for assignment and the service outline.

Suggestions for prayers at meals:

Philmont Grace: For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity, for friendship and fellowship, we thank YOU, O LORD.

A breakfast prayer: Accept our thanks, O GOD, for a new day you have given us to enjoy in the "land of our great state of Texas." Thank you, too, for our food. AMEN.

A lunch prayer: For our food, for our friends, and for the many growth opportunities you are giving us at this Webelos Woods Weekend, we thank you, God. AMEN

A dinner/supper prayer: Accept our thanks, O Lord, for creating this beautiful world, for giving us your blessings, and for providing our food. AMEN.

SONG TO LEARN: ON MY HONOR-
On my honor, I'll do my best, to do my Duty to GOD. On my Honor, I'll do my best, to serve my Country as I may. On my Honor, I'll do my best, to do my Duty to GOD. To do my good turn each day, to keep my body strengthened, and keep my mind awakened, to follow paths of right-ousness. On my Honor, I'll do my best.

Sunday morning moment of thought:

"Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way."
Psalm 46:10

It is time for us to leave Webelos Woods '03 and there is are mixed emotions of today. On the one hand we want to go home to our family and computer. On the other hand, we have the feeling of wanting to remain just a little longer.

When you depart from the Webelos Woods '03 site, what memories will go with you? Will you think of times when you felt closer to God, living in the woods with other Scouts , animals, smoke, and other elements of being away from the city?

Question: Who are some scouts who have made special contributions to you during this Webelos Woods '03? Why?

Prayer: Thank you, god for leading us each day wherever we may go in this world. We love you. Lead us, O Lord, as we prepare to leave the Webelos Woods '03. We are grateful for our many Scouting experiences in the land we will long remember. Protect us in travel and preserve our memories of this adventure. We ask this in your name. AMEN.

Friday evening's moment of thought

"Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:10

In surroundings such we are now in, it is not difficult to believe in God's great power or to feel God's love for those he created and made to inhabit the earth. However, these two days at Webelos Woods will be filled with exciting new experiences, each wanting for your attention. It will be easy to become distracted and fail to acknowledge God's presence here. Yet, he's just a prayer away. Take time to thank God for all he has done for you.

Questions: (1) What are some of the ways we can know that God exists here at the Webelos Woods? (2) Are there times in your life when you fell God's presence in an especially strong way? If so, when?

Prayer: As we end this day, we pause to praise you, to be still and know you better. We are grateful for our safe journey, our families, the world brotherhood of Scouting, and your presence with us now. AMEN.

Saturday morning moment of thought

"Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labor." Ecclesiastes 4:9

Someone once said, "When you help someone up a hill, you are a little nearer to the top yourself." Life is like that in almost all we do. Any job is made easier and lighter if we have help. Anytime we truly share in something with another person, we cooperate with them. We decide, "I'll do this and you do that, and we'll get through this together."

Question: Why do you think God wants us to learn to cooperate? Why is it important that we learn to live in harmony?

Prayer: O God, we thank you for the daily challenges you provide us. We pray for your blessing and inspiration in finding peaceful and cooperative solutions to them.
AMEN.

Saturday evening moment of thought

"What is good has been explained to you: this is what God asks of you, only this: to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

The Webelos Woods draws people from all over the district. It offers each participant a unique opportunity to give and share. You have already met many Scouts from various units of our district and probably have made some new friends. When we realize that people are basically much the same, we don't find it so difficult to treat each other with justice and love.

Question: What are some of the God-given gifts you bring to this Webelos Wood? Have you tried to share these with others?

Prayer: O God, help me work for peace, justice, and love in our world by uniting myself with others in friendship.
AMEN.