

Greetings Parents!

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I am writing to let you know more about this summer's Sr. High trip to upstate New York with Lavidia. Enclosed in this packet you will find more than you ever wanted to know about Gordon College's outdoor education program. ☺ Gordon College feels so strongly about this experiential discipleship program that it is mandatory for all students participate in it in order to graduate! Bradford Christian Academy also offers this program to graduating 8th graders each year. I have been impressed by the impact God has made on young people's lives through this program. Whether or not your son or daughter has ever participated in one of our summer trips, this will certainly be a new and exciting way to experience God in a beautiful environment.

Please join me in praying that your son or daughter that they will commit to participating in this faith-building experience:

- We are scheduled to take part in an 8 day backpacking trip in the Adirondack mountains of upstate New York from July 11 – 18, 2008.
- The cost of this trip will be \$525 per person. Each individual participant will be financially responsible for their own tuition. Even if you are planning on paying for this trip out of personal (or family) resources, those hoping to participate in this trip will be expected to work together with the other participants from our church in order to raise funds.
- There will be at least 2 members of the Student Ministry Leadership team from West Church accompanying our Lavidia "patrols" as well as trained staff from Gordon College.
- In addition to the information provided in this packet, additional information about this program is available at www.gordon.edu/lavidia
- To complete your son or daughter's registration, please return your \$100 deposit with the signed West Church release form no later than April 1, 2008. All other included medical release forms should be filled out with your family physician and will be due in June.

Grace,
Pastor Chris

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