Dear Parent(s) of 6th grade student:

I am very excited to let you know of a new opportunity for your 6th grade student this year. For many years I have assisted Pastor Matt in Youth Ministry and every year he takes a group of 7th-8th graders to Exiled camp in Michigan. (Will explain more about the camp in a minute.) This is an unbelievable immersive camp and my heart has always been for getting 6th grade students involved in this camp.

Most public schools, Jr. High School starts at 6th grade and I would really love to help bridge that gap for your student who is enrolled in a Jr High school, but not yet old enough for Jr High Youth Group. As you know, this age is vital for helping them really make their faith their own and help them successfully make the transition into Jr High Youth Group next year.

With all this in mind, I am teaming up with Pastor Matt to take a group of 6th grade students to this camp. 6th graders will be going on the trip with the Jr High Youth Group. The camp is in Lake Ann, Michigan(approx 5 hour drive) and is from Fri, Oct.4 - Sun, Oct. 6. Your child will have to miss school on Friday as well will be leaving approx at 9AM to get to the camp on time. We will be back around 7PM on Sunday.

Here is a summary of what Exiled camp is from their website:

Exiled: Faith on Trial will highlight the modern day persecuted church and will propel students to examine their own faith and whether it will stand up to the trials the world will throw at it. Christians are under attack around the world. Are you prepared to stand strong in your faith? Do you have the tools needed to thwart the enemy?

Join us for EXILED: Faith on Trial and learn how you can be confident, competent, and courageous in your relationship with Jesus. Your faith will be put to the test and you will be challenged in all new ways. Do you have what it takes when your faith is on trial?

The cost of the camp is \$170 which covers camp, transportation and pizza on Friday night. Please bring money for lunch on the way there and lunch on the way home and any spending money you may need at camp for the canteen or merchandise. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Dave Fox(Director of Elementary and Youth Ministries)