

CCI helps make planning a weekend away a joy, not a burden

CCI is your conduit to the experience you seek for your church group.

Though our name is Christian Camping International, camp facilities are only one of the many types of venues and services our CCI member organisations offer.

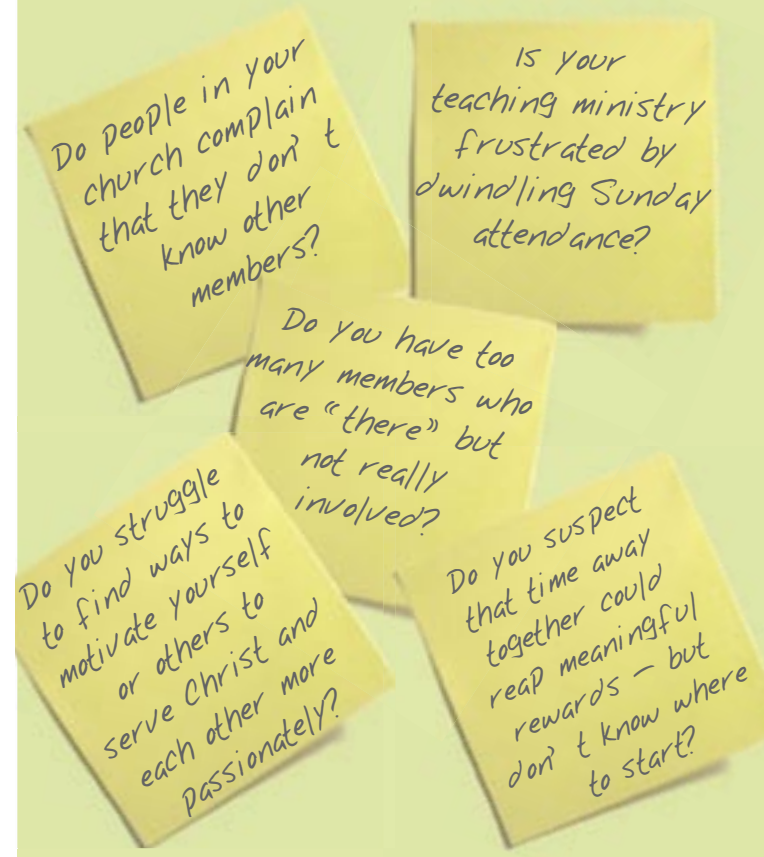
From Darwin to Hobart, Perth to Brisbane and many points between, you can choose from Camps – Conference Centres – and even Activity Service Providers who can help guide your planning and provide the kind of organised activities that will make your time together a memorable and enriching success.

Facilities range from 16 bed cottages to 600 bed complexes – with meeting facilities that can cater for a small group to up to 6000 at a time!

All CCI Member Centres are Christian mission-focused, and strive to provide their services at prices well below commercial rates.



SEE INSIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW WE CAN HELP...



Let CCI Australia help

We are a not-for-profit organisation created to help local churches achieve their goals for ministry – and specifically, achieve the joy and growth that comes from spending time away together at a leisurely pace in a lovely setting.

CCI can assist your planning and preparation, and connect you with the venues and organised activities that will make a weekend away a rewarding spiritual experience with lasting benefits for your church and your members.

SEE INSIDE FOR MORE DETAILS...



CHRISTIAN CAMPING INTERNATIONAL AUSTRALIA

A not-for-profit association of over 210 Camps, Conference Centres, Activity Service Providers, and over 450 individual members operating in the Community, Charity, Church and School environment in all states.

Our facilities are used by Church and Youth Groups for retreats and workshops – by School Groups for excursions, outdoor education, religious retreats and study/peer group workshops – and by Community Groups for workshops and training.

Our services include:

- Somewhere to Go directory of over 196 facilities nationwide
- Booking Link matching guest group needs with available facilities
- Website that links members to their own home pages
- Purchasing benefits through alliances with product and service providers
- Quarterly Magazine and Weekly email Newsletter
- International access to the resources of our 18 sister organizations around the world

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HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN



How long has it been?

A) A year or so?
B) 2-3 years ago?
C) So long ago I can barely remember the inspiration and joy it brought to me and everyone who went along?

All too often the pressures of everyday life – the overwrought schedules, juggled commitments and grinding daily demands – push a weekend away together far down the ‘to do someday’ list.

Yet time away together should be an essential and treasured part of your church calendar.

It brings people together in a way that’s almost impossible in the normal workday and Sunday routine. It brings profound and lasting benefits to your church and to every church member who takes part.

If the rewards of time spent away with your church family are growing dim, let us refresh your memory...

It builds
RELATIONSHIPS

Church is all about relationships – with God and with each other. Going away provides the concentrated time relationships need to grow.

Spend a weekend together and you get to know each other more intimately than you ever can for an hour or so on Sunday. You make new friends. Barriers are broken down. Conversations are deeper and you learn new things about each other.

Newcomers grow closer to the group. Members of all ages and stages of Christian maturity find common ground - younger members see elders persevering in the faith, older members are inspired by young enthusiasm.

Time together nurtures appreciation of each other - and of the faith that binds you.

It changes
LIVES

A weekend away with your church family is far more than a ‘short break’. Being in a different place – with time to think, reflect, meditate, re-evaluate priorities and open the mind to new possibilities – has wrought profound change in people’s lives.

You probably know someone who can testify to becoming a Christian on a weekend away. Commitments to Christ or significant decisions for full time ministry or missionary service aren’t uncommon.

Perhaps most importantly, each person is able to pray through issues, both alone and with fellow believers.

It enhances
SPIRITUAL
GROWTH

A relaxed weekend away from the rush is the ideal time for bible teaching...

- No one misses a vital talk in the series, which happens all too often when a week or more of church is missed.
- No time is lost revising what was taught the week before.
- There’s ample time for creativity and variety in teaching – often difficult in a Sunday service.
- People are more relaxed, less distracted, more receptive to listening and learning.
- There’s also precious time for reflection, absorption, prayer and feedback. Questions can be asked and issues discussed and considered deeply.

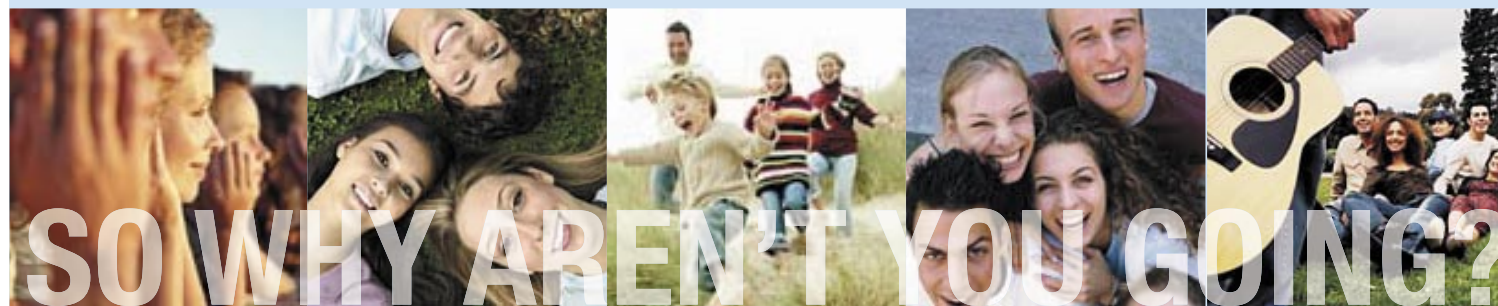
It Promotes
SERVICE

When people go away together, they invariably use the gifts God gave them to serve each other. Everyone can pitch in and help in some way, whether spending time with the lonely or simply lending an ear and a prayer.

Aspects of a person’s gifts can be revealed. Members inspired to create ways to serve in the local church community. Even the time spent planning the weekend engenders involvement and contribution.

The example set can encourage people to continue serving when they get home. It reinforces that church is a place to give - not merely to turn up and gain.

GOING AWAY TOGETHER BRINGS RENEWED LIFE AND COMMITMENT TO YOUR CHURCH AND YOUR MISSION



SO WHY AREN'T YOU GOING?

Isn't it time you planned your weekend away?

You know well from your life as a Christian that one person can make an enormous difference. And it takes just one person – like you – to set plans in motion for this essential part of your church life.

Don't know where to start?

Your church should already have a copy of our free 100-page Somewhere to Go directory, including full details on 166 facilities nationwide. It's loaded with information and ideas, including a helpful 2-page Planner and Checklist that will aid enormously in your planning process. Grab it – use it – and call us for any help you might need.

Don't have Somewhere to Go at hand?

Phone us on 02 4776 2613 and we'll rush a copy to you.

Ready to go, but don't know where to go?

Our no-charge Booking Link service can match your location, goals and needs to the right kind of venues that are available for your targeted dates. 20,900 beds are waiting each and every night. Help finding just the right beds is only a phone call away.

Freecall 1800 069 697

Don't let this powerful part of your church life and mission languish at the bottom of the 'to do' list. We're here to help – so call us today.