

A LEADERSHIP ADVENTURE YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!



JUNE
13-20
2026

ADVENTUROUS
CHRISTIANS
ON THE GUNFLINT TRAIL
NEAR GRAND MARAIS, MN



WHO //

Adventures in Leadership is for students completing grades 9-11 who demonstrate maturity, faith, and leadership potential. Participants should have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and be endorsed by three adults who know them well: a pastor/youth leader, a teacher or coach, and a parent or guardian.

This experience is intentionally rigorous—physically, emotionally, and spiritually—helping young people develop resilience, faith, and confidence as they grow into Christ-centered leaders.

WHY //

To provide an intentional experience that challenges students to depend on Christ, develop resilience, and gain practical skills for lifelong Christian leadership and service.

WHAT //

Part adventure, part leadership lab, and part spiritual retreat—Adventures in Leadership is a week in the BWCA for students to learn and practice leadership rooted in faith and teamwork. Sponsored by the Northwest Conference of the Covenant Church.

COST //

\$575 (\$100 deposit due at application)
Max participants: 28

Applications postmarked by Feb. 9, 2026

ADVENTURES IN LEADERSHIP EQUIPS NWC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO

*grow in faith, character, and leadership through challenge,
reflection, and community in the wilderness.*



EACH PARTICIPANT WILL ...

- Explore a variety of leadership styles, roles, and skills.
- Gain insight into their unique spiritual and natural strengths.
- Identify key characteristics essential for Christian leadership.
- Understand that servanthood is both the foundation and goal of shepherd leadership.
- Develop a personal vision for their growth as a leader.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- Engaging worship and leadership sessions
- Interactive teaching and real-world skill building
- Wilderness and canoe training
- Leadership inventories and guided reflection
- Team-building activities
- A four-day Boundary Waters canoe trip
- Coaching, mentoring, and meaningful community
- Experiences and friendships you'll never forget

ARE YOU READY TO EMBARK UPON A LEADERSHIP ADVENTURE?

If you're a high school student who loves Jesus and wants to grow as a leader, Adventures in Leadership is your next step. It's not just a trip—it's a week of challenge, discovery, and community that will stretch your faith and strengthen your leadership.

** BE ADVISED: AIL involves high levels of **physical, emotional and spiritual rigor.***

To receive an application contact your pastor/youth pastor, visit northwestconference.org, email ginny@northwestconference.org, or call: 612-721-4893 or 1-800-756-6692 (outside Twin Cities)

