For Bishops and Adult Leaders:

- Complete "Protecting Children and Youth Training" <u>https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/callings/church-safety-and-health/training-and-video-resources/youth-protection?lang=eng</u>
- Acknowledge and approve of each young woman from your ward attending camp, final registration for participants is April 30th. We will send you a final list of those registered later that week.
- See to the welfare of your young women; In the event of an accident, emergency, or disciplinary situation you will be contacted.
- Check website for all camp info, inform YW and parents of all website information <u>http://www.cocoaywc.com</u>
- Wednesday, May 29th is Bishop's Night. Bishops, please let us know if you will be eating dinner with us at 6pm. If you are not available to attend that night, please send a counselor. This is a unique opportunity to connect to your ward young women and to hear about their camp experiences and testimonies.

Adult Leader Responsibilities at Camp

Be prepared to minister:

- Spiritually Pray daily for a successful camp. Young women may ask you to share your insights on gospel topics and questions, be prepared to share your testimony.
- Physically The weather is unpredictable at this time; It may be hot and humid, or rainy and windy. Prepare to take care of the minor physical problems of the young women. Supervise at assigned stations during the day. Ensure safety of young women at all times.
- Emotionally This can be a difficult time for some girls who are not used to the experience, be observant of other's needs, lift others, build confidence through word and action, give a lot of smiles and hugs, and help them get involved in the incredible opportunities all around them.

From the Young Women's Camp Guide:

"A fountain of pure water" and "a thicket of small trees" (<u>Mosiah 18:5</u>)—Mormon used these words to describe the place where Alma hid after fleeing from King Noah. Those trees and that water became "beautiful... to the eyes" of the people who joined Alma there. Why? Because in that place, Alma and his people "came to the knowledge of their Redeemer" (<u>Mosiah 18:30</u>).

The location of your Young Women camp—whether it is in a forest, in a park, on a beach, or in a meetinghouse—can become beautiful to the eyes of all who gather there. Like Alma and his people, young women need a place where they can gather together, separate from worldly influences, feel the Spirit of the Lord, grow in unity and love, and strengthen their faith and testimonies of Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ.

Alma and his people did not stay at the Waters of Mormon, but their experiences at the Waters of Mormon stayed with them. Likewise, as the young women return to their homes, their experiences at camp will stay with and strengthen them because they have come to a greater knowledge of their Redeemer.

Let's make our Cocoa Stake Girl's Camp a "Waters of Mormon" experience for our YW!