

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the dates for the Rites of Passage?

Registration begins at 2:30 pm Wednesday, May 29, 2019. The Initiation Rites begins at 4:00 PM and concludes by 2:00 PM on Sunday, June 2, 2019. It is absolutely necessary to attend the entire Initiation Rites, from the opening ceremony on day 1 through final Liturgy on day 5. It is imperative that you do not come late or leave early, except in the case of an absolute emergency.

What will be asked of me physically?

You must have a basic mobility and health that will allow you to crawl, hike, and fast from eating for an extended period of time.

How and when must I make my final payment?

Camp Teresita Pines requires total payment for any guest registered for a program at their facility — even if that guest does not show up. For this reason, we request that all men accepted into the Rites of Passage pay their final balance (most likely \$375) by April 15, 2019.

Please make your payment at: <https://www.illumansocal.org/payment/>

Or mail a check to: Illuman SoCal, 220 Newport Center Drive, #11-435 Newport Beach, CA 92660

Travel Information

Please notify John Lew, MROP Coordinator, (gjohnlew@gmail.com) as to how you will be traveling to Camp Teresita Pines as soon as you know your travel plan/details. Please indicate if you will be needing ride sharing or other travel assistance. Please indicate if you can drive others.

Where is Lion's Camp Teresita Pines?

The address is: 22801 Big Pines Hwy, Wrightwood, CA 92397.

The website is: <https://www.campteresitapines.org/>

Directions to Camp Teresita Pines:

From Ontario Airport (42 miles):

Travel I-15 N (21.7 miles)

Follow onto CA-38 (8.6 miles)

Turn LEFT at CA-2 (8.7 miles)

Turn RIGHT on Big Pines Hwy CR-N4 (2.5 miles)

Arrive on Big Pines Hwy on the RIGHT.

From Burbank (60 miles) or LAX (75 miles):

From BUR I-5 N (12.7 miles);

From LAX I-405 N (26.6 miles)

Follow onto CA-14 N towards Palmdale/Lancaster (29.4 miles)

Turn OFF towards Pearblossom Hwy (4.4 miles)

Turn RIGHT on CA-138 (3.8 miles)

Turn Right on Fort Tejon Rd (7.3 miles)

Turn LEFT on Pallett Creek Rd, and then a RIGHT on Valyermo Rd. (2.9 miles)

The name changes to Big Pines Hwy; arrive on the left (8.9 miles)



What will the weather be like?

Altitude: 5935'
Temperature: Night: 50° - 60°F,
Day: 75° - 85°F.
Possibility of rain.

Checklist — Things to bring to the MROP

Sleeping

- Sleeping bag or sheets and blanket
- Pillow

Toiletries

- Towel
- Soap
- A toothbrush
- Other needed personal items

Clothing

- *Two old plain white t-shirts (no words or designs on them)
- *One plain black t-shirt (no words or designs on it)
- *Older clothing that you don't mind getting stained

*These are for ceremonial use.

- Jacket
- Rain gear
- A swimsuit
- Durable shoes appropriate for hiking and walking
- A hat (important for sun protection)

Miscellaneous

- A daypack
- Loud emergency whistle
- A water bottle and coffee/tea mug (a backpack water pouch may be useful)
- A flashlight
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- A journal/notebook with a pen and/or pencil
- A drum or percussion instrument. (If you have an extra drum or other rhythm instrument, please label it and bring it for someone else to use.)
- A watch
- A whistle
- Important personal items that symbolize:
 - o What you need to let go of
 - o What you might need to grieve over
 - o What you still want to become
 - o Personal faith
 - o A significant man in your life.

(Note: These symbols will not need to be exhibited, but many men find it helpful to have them at a MROP.)

