



## Serenity Retreat Bellville: *Sponsored Retreats*

Our mission is to equip all generations in a prayer process that allows for a transformational encounter with God.

We envision a world where everyone is transformed by the healing and redeeming power of Jesus.

Serenity Retreat for Healing and Spiritual Renewal in Bellville is a full-time Christian prayer center which offers groups to use the facility during the weekdays and select weekends.

*\*Serenity Retreat Bellville is closed on Sundays, Mondays and select holidays.*

### SPONSERED RETREATS

- **What is a Sponsored Retreat?**

*The purpose of a Sponsored Retreat is to introduce a small group of up to 12 individuals to Transformation Prayer Ministry (TPM).*

- **Who can sponsor a weekend?**

*Anyone who is familiar with TPM and wants others in their group to learn more about the prayer process.*

- **What kind of groups are best for a Sponsored Retreat?**

*Ministry leadership groups, Bible study groups, and parachurch organizations.*

### GROUP RETREAT RATES

- **Facility Fee:** \$300.00+ 6% state room tax = **GRAND TOTAL \$318.00 per day**
- **Single Occupancy:** \$200.00 + 6% state room tax = **GRAND TOTAL \$212.00 per person**
- **Double Occupancy:** \$150.00 + 6% state room tax = **GRAND TOTAL \$159.00 per person**
- **Meal Charge:** \$25.00 + 6% state room tax = **GRAND TOTAL \$26.50 per person, per meal (Requires Retreat Director approval)**
- **Event Planning Assistance:** \$100 + 6% state tax = **GRAND TOTAL \$106.00 (case by case, speak to Retreat Director for further information)**

### ACCOMODATIONS

Serenity Retreat Bellville is on 26 beautiful acres. The grounds have a wooded trail, a pavilion with rocking chairs by the pond, and 2 swing arbors. We also have The Lodge, which is our main group meeting space in addition to a Chapel that is comprised of 4 small prayer rooms.

Our facilities can accommodate a **maximum of 24 overnight guests** and a **maximum of 30 day-retreat guests**.

We have 3 buildings that have private rooms for guests: The Lodge, Hope House, and Restoration House.

- **The Lodge**

*The Lodge has 4 private bedrooms, each with their own private bathroom. Each room has 2 twin beds.*

*These rooms are adjacent to the main meeting area for your group. The Lodge has a living and dining room as well as a full kitchen. Right outside, there is a large, covered porch with rocking chairs.*

- **Hope House**

*Hope House has 4 private bedrooms, each with their own private bathroom. Each room has 1 queen bed.*

- **Restoration House**

*Hope House has 4 private bedrooms, each with their own private bathroom. Each room has 1 queen bed.*

## MEALS

You can decide to provide your own meals or plan for Serenity Retreat staff to provide them.

If you plan for Serenity Retreat staff to provide your meals, please communicate any dietary restrictions in advance. We pay close attention to your dietary needs and prepare meals that are clean, healthy, and locally sourced whenever possible.

Meals include dessert and coffee, tea, bottled water, and snacks are always available in The Lodge. Coffee makers are in the Hope House and Restoration House guest rooms.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **Do you accept credit cards?**

*Yes, we accept all credit cards.*

- **How do I make a reservation?**

*Email Carrie at [carrieb@serenityretreat.com](mailto:carrieb@serenityretreat.com) or call (346) 388-3635.*

- **Is smoking allowed at Serenity Retreat?**

*We are sorry, but Serenity Retreat is a smoke-free environment.*

- **Is alcohol allowed on the premises?**

*No alcohol or illegal drugs are allowed. You will be required to leave if your group brings these items.*

- **Are children welcome?**

*Serenity Retreat is geared towards adults and does not have child-specific activities.*

- **Can I bring my pet?**

*Sorry, pets are not allowed at Serenity Retreat. Even our cats must remain outside. (Service animals are the exception, emotional support animals are not included in the exception)*

- **When is check-in and check-out?**

*Check-in and check-out are determined on a case-by-case basis.*

- **Is there staff on hand?**

*Yes, our Retreat Director lives on site and is available for any needs you and your group may have.*

- **Is daily housekeeping service provided?**

*No, we do not provide a daily housekeeping service.*

- **What about guest room amenities?**

*Towels, linens, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, and lotion are provided.*

- **Is there a television in the house?**  
*There is no cable TV service, but a large screen smart TV and DVD player are provided.*
- **How about Wi-Fi?**  
*The campus is equipped with Wi-Fi. Bandwidth is limited so you will be unable to access streaming services. We recommend downloading any shows on your device prior to arriving at the Retreat Center.*

## POLICIES

- **Deposit**  
*Once you determine a date for your group, we will hold it as a courtesy for 7 business days. To secure your reservations, pay a deposit of \$500.*
- **Group Final Count and Payment**  
*A confirmation of the final guest count is required 7 days prior to arrival. This determines the amount due. The total due will be calculated based on the final number of guests confirmed or the contract minimum, whichever is greater.*  
  
*An additional amount for Texas Hotel Occupancy Sales Tax will be added at a rate of 6% for lodging and meals when the total price for the retreat is determined. (Rate schedule above captures the added sales tax)*  
  
*The remaining retreat balance is due 7 days prior to arrival. Payment can be made online or by a single check to 'Serenity Retreat.' Retreat participants should pay the church, organization, or sponsor and the group leader then brings one check.*  
  
*The credit card number of an individual or church is held on file by the Retreat Director until the end of the retreat. Any additional costs incurred for unannounced guests or damages will be charged to the account. Returned checks will be assessed a fee of \$25.00 per occurrence.*
- **Damage Policy**  
*Any damages done to any Serenity Retreat property by guests or persons visiting or staying with guests will be the responsibility of the sponsor, and by payment of your deposit to Serenity Retreat, you agree to make restitution for such damage.*
- **Vehicles**  
*Please stay on the gravel road within the Serenity Retreat property. Driving off the road or in the pastures puts you at risk for getting stuck. If it becomes necessary for us to tow your vehicle, there will be a charge of \$150 for labor and grounds repair. If you get a wrecker to assist you, the grounds repair charge is \$60.*
- **Group Cancellation and Refund Policy**  
*Any stay cancelled 30 days prior to arrival will be refunded. In the case of a refund, a 10% administrative fee is charged.*  
  
*If Serenity Retreat cannot host the group because of flooding, lack of utilities, mechanical failure, fire or other situation that renders the facility inoperable, Serenity Retreat will refund the guest's pre-paid amount in full, or if desired, offer another retreat within one year of the payment. Serenity Retreat will have no other liability due to such cancellation or unavailability of its facility.*  
  
*Serenity Retreat reserves the right to cancel or modify the Group or Sponsored Retreat for any reason found necessary by the Retreat Director or Executive Director*
- **Room Keys**  
*Room keys must be returned to the Retreat Director prior to departure. A fee of \$25 will be charged for lost room keys.*

- **Allergies**

*Serenity Retreat does not assume responsibility for health problems due to allergic reactions to anything related to the property. It is possible that Serenity Retreat personnel or previous guests may have prepared foods that some people are allergic to, such as foods containing peanuts or gluten, on our property. Our property is regularly, thoroughly cleaned. We will not be held responsible for any health problems.*

- **Animal Encounters**

*Serenity Retreat is in the country, and you will encounter animals such as deer, squirrels, raccoons, or snakes. Barn cats are on constant patrol to minimize small animal encounters. Also, our country road is gravel, with open cattle grazing, so slow driving is a must.*