

EMBERS

GRASPING CHRIST'S LOVE

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CAMP DIRECTOR

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"And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God." - Ephesians 3:18 – 19

This was our theme for every camper, volunteer, and staff member that came onto the property this summer. We really wanted the people that came to Campfire to experience the love of Jesus Christ to its fullest. As I reflect on this summer, I can truly say that the love of Jesus Christ was experienced in so many different ways: in chapel; in all the activities; in the one-on-one interaction with campers, counsellors, chaplains, cooks, nurses, and P.A.L.S.;

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

ANDREW HORDYK, CHAIRMAN

Finally... a full camp, full hearts, full staff, and full chapels!

What a few years it has been and how wonderful are the continued blessings of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ. Four years ago, who would have known the "pattern interrupt" would have been such a crazy road to navigate, not only from an attendance point of view but also the continued upkeep of the property and maintenance thereof. As a touch point from the text our Executive Director chose. "...to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ..."

This very much resonates with campfire this past year as we have continually been blessed by a body of believers from all over, how wide, and long, and high our community outreach is to continually support Campfire. From the banquet to the golf tournament and additional donations so much needed to keep the cost for campers down and allow a wide array of kids to come to Campfire. Because of this we have managed to upkeep the grounds and serve the campers and Volunteers to the fullest. Recently, we have finally upgraded our furnaces which we've been told were functioning on borrowed time. This was a much needed addition to camp for the Spring, Fall and Winter months.

As an organization such as Campfire, momentum happens when little campers become volunteers and volunteers become staff and maybe even staff become members of committees or on the board. Despite this interrupt, we have managed to find great volunteers to be councilors, cooks, and Camp PALs. We have also been blessed with an amazing staff who poured their heart and soul into the campers and have shown what it is truly like to live as a servant of God. Through the past few years, we have seen the challenges grow with finding people to volunteer and this is a result of this interrupt. As a board we too continually need new people willing to shadow rolls to take over some positions. Consider any one of these a great way to get involved and give your gift of serving others.

Campfire continues to covet your prayers so we can reach far and wide, high, and low to new campers and needs your time and continued financial contributions to help Campfire proclaim God's word. As we head into 2024 fully trusting in God and knowing He will provide a way, it has been a theme this year to surrender to Him, His will always prevails.

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in prayer times; in the kitchen; and everywhere else on the property. Our God was shared, prayed to, worshipped, and reflected on in the good times and the challenging times.

God blessed us this summer with amazing counsellors, chaplains, cooks, P.A.L.S., and nurses who helped make our pre-summer planning a reality and a success. Without our volunteers, some at the 11th hour, camp could not have functioned the way that it did! We love you and thank you!!

A huge thank you to all the campers that came this summer. We loved every single moment that we had with you. We loved worshipping together (especially singing & "Days of Elijah"), playing games, swimming in the pool, eating meals, laughing, crying, running, canoeing, and sitting around the fire with each one of you. God gave us so many special moments and times we will never forget. In each one of you we could see that God is good, all the time!

Finally, a big thank you to all our supporters who spent time in prayer, kept up with the goings on at camp via social media, and contributed financially. We are truly thankful for each one of you! All the time, God is good!



CAMPFIRE 2024 IS COMING!

HERE ARE THE DATES, MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

JULY 8 - 12 : Glow 1
ages 8 - 11

JULY 15 - 19 : Blaze
ages 11 - 14

JULY 22 - 26 : Glow 2
ages 8 - 12

JULY 29 - 31 : Spark
ages 5 - 7

JULY 29 - AUG 2 : Wildfire
ages 13 - 16

AUGUST 5 - 9 : Flame
ages 11 - 14

AUGUST 12 - 16 : Glow 3
ages 8 - 11

AUGUST 19 - 23 : Ignite
ages 14 - 16



GOD IS GOOD. ALL THE TIME.

SARAH HUIZING

This rings true when I think about the golf tournament - and it's not just about the money we raise.

I am always humbled by the support, atmosphere at the tournament, and volunteers. Every year, It's like a reunion of old friends and new ones too! So, this past year, on a very hot Friday, we gathered, we golfed, and we gave praise to God for the funds raised! Which was a total of \$76,546.15!

Of course, we thank our many sponsors and look forward to next year, **May 31, 2024!**

We hope you will join us, it's a great day.

STOKE: [STOHK] TO POKE, STIR UP, AND FEED (A FIRE)

Every campfire needs ongoing feeding and tending to keep the flames bright and the heat high.

Campfire! benefits from strong financial support through its seasonal fundraising events, but it also needs the steady support of regular monthly contributions to support cash flow and keep the operation financially healthy.

This is where you can help! Consider joining our "Stoke the Campfire!" campaign by committing to monthly contributions directly from your account (PAR) or by credit card. Charitable receipts will be provided annually. Any amount you can offer helps feed Campfire! throughout the year.

HOW DO YOU SIGN UP?

Print the form from campfirebiblecamp.ca/campaigns/stoke-the-campfire and email to: info@campfirebiblecamp.ca or donate online campfirebiblecamp.ca.



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CAMP
VOLUNTEERS!**

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