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West Virginia Trip



Our summer started off with a trip to West Virginia. It was awesome. Highlights included rafting the New River, a 3 hour zip line tour, climbing and rappelling, and caving. Thanks to Tim and Katie Ellis, and Chad Lane for helping make this a great week.

Dear Friends of the Camp,

It is hard to believe that the month of June is already gone and summer camp is about half over. I hope you all are doing well and that you will encourage young people to come to camp during the month of July. This version of the newsletter is basically the same version I am sending through email. If you or your church receive this by mail but can receive it through email please let me know, as it helps keep our costs down to send it through email.

Junior High Weeks



We have had two junior high weeks so far. Thank you to Nathan Williams and several area youth ministers for making our regular junior high week a great week. I saw that Ron Bull put up a video of that week on facebook. Our junior high wilderness week saw our biggest ever wilderness week with 35 campers attending it. Thank you to Matt Duncan and Kristen Laprise for coming to help with that week. You can see pictures and videos of all the wilderness weeks on the camp web site. Though I have not done a great job of having pictures daily of things going on during the week, I have at least done a better job, and some of our regular camp deans have done a good job of doing that as well. So please note that you can see you young people and what they are doing throughout the week.

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Intermediate Weeks



We have had 2 intermediate weeks so far. This was Randi Nussbaum's 2nd year leading the 1st intermediate regular week. She did a great job. She kept pictures up on a daily basis over facebook. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with her week... We had great kids who attended intermediate wilderness week as well. It was a small week of just 11 campers, which is a great group to be able to get close to. I truly enjoy those smaller weeks, even though financially it is

obviously better the bigger number we have. But He works all that out anyway. He has blessed us, protected us, and revealed Himself to those who have had their eyes and ears open to Him this summer.

High School Regular Camp

We are in the midst of our High School Regular Week of camp. It is our biggest week of the summer so far, and probably will be the biggest week all summer. We have 66 campers here this week. Doug Roberts has been doing this week since Dad and my family moved to the camp 20 years ago. It has developed a great reputation as being one of the best weeks of the camp season. His faculty has continued to make the time to come and help make the week a great week.

We continue to make it through this tough economic time. We thank you for all you have done to help us. We are mostly thankful to be serving the Lord Jesus by helping kids get to know Him and commit their lives to Him. Our young people need to know the joy and fulfillment that only comes through Him.

Sincerely,



Billy Clark
Smoky Mountain Christian Camp