

# THANKS FROM PARENTS OF 2018 CAMPERS

*A grateful heart a garden is, where there is always room for every lovely, Godlike grace to come to perfect bloom.  
(Christian Science Hymnal, #3, Words by Ethel Wasgatt Dennis)*

*Our kids have been so blessed by going to camp. Now, the oldest two are giving back and receiving so much by being camp counselors...As parents, we see them return in a more heavenly state of mind, filled with a special peace, feeling loved. We look forward to giving back to The Campership Fund in the future.*

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*Thank you very much for your contribution to my son's camp experience this summer. His growth in spirit each year makes my heart soar!*

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*Although he's been home for over a month, I continue to hear stories and experiences that he enjoyed at camp. For instance, he was introduced to Kick the Can, tether ball, and sailing...Sometimes I hear him singing the camp song in the shower. It's a real joy to know your son is having an enriching experience...He talked about speaking to a CS practitioner at camp, and it's so comforting that those resources are available.*

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*I cannot thank you enough for your generous support of these boys and their deep love of camp! It truly is a special place with God at its heart, and Christian Science is the mechanism to understanding that!*

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*Our son was a Counselor in Training, and the growth he experienced through that program has given him new confidence in himself, a strong sense of leadership, a desire to do good and help others, and most importantly, a deeper love of Christian Science and trust in God's omnipresent care and guidance. Camp provided so many opportunities to experience the joys of camp as well as learn to persevere through adversity. We are so grateful to camp for shaping our son into such a wonderful young man, and we thank you for your loving support.*

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*Thank you so much for your generous gift that helped our sons attend [name of camp]...Both came back with wonderful healings to share...One of them had an almost instantaneous healing of pain related to a wasp sting. He was stung three times, including on his head. He told me he went to the camp practitioners*

*and most of the pain stopped. By the next day, he said he had forgotten all about it. A lovely side note is that a wasp flew into our van a few weeks ago and was right next to him. He was completely calm and just asked me to open the door and let the wasp out.*

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*Words cannot express my appreciation for your help making camp possible for my son as well as others. Each year now he comes home stronger in faith. He was hesitant to go as he has begun teen years. I'm so glad he did as he is with such exemplary counselors. There is no doubt that when at [name of camp], that the base of it is purely metaphysical. There are many proofs of it for everyone to see, and a peaceful, fun, and lively energy that is palpable...We are so blessed to have what I had considered impossible for many years...*

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*My son learned how to follow and lead. He became a person that others could look to for advice and metaphysical support. He's grown so mature, learning patience and wisdom, which will translate to making better decisions that affect his future...I couldn't be more proud of him, but I know that this progress was not my progress. I could not have chosen a better co-teacher than a Christian Science camp filled with loving staff, counselors, practitioners, parents, and workers...Your gift each year has helped my children blossom into the amazing people they are today, and I could not be more grateful.*

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*I am reaching out to you all to express, however, inadequately through this medium, how grateful I am. My daughter went to [name of camp] for the first time this summer, and it was a first time for many other things...The first time away from home by herself, and the first time that she and I have been away from each other for more than just a few days...We soon learned from her letters how quickly her experience had already touched and transformed her, and how much she was looking forward to every day. Please know how much we as parents appreciate the unique opportunity she had to go, one she would not have had without your immense generosity...She*

*came back with a different outlook on who she wants to be and on how to practice all she learned and lived...Since her return, she has honored the principles, values, and ethics that she had been practicing at camp...We are committed to helping her in living these ideas. Thank you again, for this amazing, life-changing opportunity you gave our daughter; we are deeply obliged and eternally grateful.*

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*All they learn, all their growth carries them throughout the year. We could not do it without your help and generosity. Thank you for giving my girls the best gift in the world!*

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*My son and daughter have just returned from their camp adventures. We have been over-joyed to hear their countless stories of lessons learned, healings gained, and friendships made...The all-embracing love, spiritual uplift, and feeling of family were a true blessing...as they spent their first extended period away from home. What a blessing and a gift the generous support of The Campership Fund has been for our family!*

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*I would like to say, "Thank you" for your support, not just for my children through the years, but for everyone's children too. If it was not for your generosity of fruitage every year, our children would not be able to have these GREAT experiences.*

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*Our family cannot thank you enough for supporting our children, and all children and teens in their tremendous spiritual growth through Christian Science summer camps. I have often felt that these camps are the nesting grounds for the future of our movement. There is no close substitute for the Christian Science camp experience.*

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*To those kids who are rarely around other Scientists beside family, Camp is a Godsend! They have the opportunity to practice what they have learned in Sunday School, and they recognize the practical results of living Christian Science.*

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