

2022 EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

“Love inspires, illumines, designates, and leads the way.”
(S&H p. 454: 18-19)

PARENT & CAMPER APPRECIATION

“In spite of our financial setbacks, TCF made it clear that our child would be able to attend camp. For this, we are so grateful. She is looking forward to returning to camp and being in service. She is already thrilled at the continuation of her camp experience and reciprocating all the joy and love she received.”

“My daughter had shown much resistance to Sunday School for the past several years, due to seeming family differences on the topic. This summer at camp she “fell in love with God” as she puts it and has a renewed interest in attending Sunday School each week now and has recently requested that an extra copy of the pastor, be available to her when she is traveling, as she turns to the healing words to find comfort! This is a remarkable turnaround and increased receptivity towards Christian Science, since returning home from camp. I am overjoyed to witness this transformation and am filled with gratitude for this fund which allowed us the opportunity to attend camp.”

“Thank you so much for assisting my son in attending camp. He made many friends and it had an impact on his maturity and self-discipline. His experiences at camp will really help him as he enters his freshman year of high school this year. I’m so grateful he had the opportunity to go this summer. Thank you! This fund is really a blessing.”

“I would like to say a big thank you for making it possible for my children to attend camp this summer. Giving these kids a chance to have fun, and at the same time to grow in the knowledge of their Maker (God Almighty), to know what they, as His beloved children, mean to Him, and to know how to constantly be in His presence, is an experience they will never forget. The joy on their faces alone tells me this was a divine experience, and I am sincerely grateful to the Campership Fund for being God’s outstretched arm in making this experience possible.”

“I am so grateful for everything you have done for me! I went to camp and had the best 2 weeks of my life. For anyone thinking of sending their children to camp, don’t hesitate. The camps are so much fun and have a wide variety of fun activities from water sports to archery, these fun camps have it all! I am so grateful to The Campership Fund for Christian Scientists for presenting this incredible opportunity.”

“Thank you for the generous gifts for my two boys to attend a Christian Science Summer camp. In addition to active fun outdoor activities, what I am most grateful for is the opportunity that they can attend Church Service and Wednesday testimony service at the camp. During one of the testimony services, my older son was able to share his gratitude for Christian Science and appreciation of support of camp staffs and resources. I am also very grateful for the spiritually inspired environment and love that staff and campers expressed.

With some prayerful work, my younger boy was able to stay throughout the camp and enjoyed his camp experience. Thank you for the support in making camp experiences available to my family.”

GETTING OUT OF COMFORT ZONE



“I am very grateful for camp because it allows me to grow more in Christian Science and in life skills. Some of those life skills include, teamwork, making friends, getting out of my comfort zone and into my growth zone, trying new things, including others, and growing with God.”

“Camp has always felt like home and been the best part of my summer to grow, learn, explore and be myself. One of the biggest lessons I learned was to be ok being outside of my comfort zone, if it was during low and high ropes, horseback riding, ski day, etc. A goal I have for next year is to continue my self-love journey and not focus as much on the negative, but the

positive. I hope to be back next summer."

"I had one of the best summers yet this year at camp! I grew the most spiritually this year, which I'm grateful for, and tried pushing myself out of my comfort zone more than usual this year. I felt comfortable sharing a healing at one of our testimony meetings for the first time which symbolized a big step for me. I can't thank donors enough for the wonderful experience I had this summer, Thank you everyone!"

"Thank you for giving me the opportunity to go to camp this summer. I rode intense roller coasters for the first time, zip lined and got out of my comfort zone. I learned so much and I would not be who I am right without camp, so I am grateful for you."

"Every year one thing that keeps me going is camp. The thought of being surrounded by positive, uplifting people brings a smile to my face. I was able to have growth in Christian Science and dig deeper into questions I have had. It helped me see that no matter where you are, you can add positivity to any environment through the power of God. This session at camp I was able to get out of my comfort zone through things that absolutely terrified me - all with a little trust in God. From going on the high ropes course, zip lining, wakeboarding, etc. this session really taught me having faith in God not only will keep you safe, but also help you see the good in things that might seem scary. I am grateful beyond words to be able to go to camp this year and I wouldn't have made it without The Campership Fund. Thank you so much."

"I was scared and nervous because we had to share a cabin with everyone in our. I didn't want to be the youngest or feel like I couldn't keep up on my mountain bike with older kids. My mom talked me through it on our way to camp and helped me to stay with the idea that Mrs. Eddy talks about in her

quote "Divine Love always has met and always will meet every human need". I knew I had a need to feel accepted and not feel scared. When we walked up to the cabin to check in, I was greeted with kindness and love by my counselor. My friend was in the same program too and he was so excited when he saw me. We met the year before at camp and didn't know we were going to be together at the same session, so I was really happy and knew our prayer resulted in me feeling at ease."

HEALINGS AT CAMP

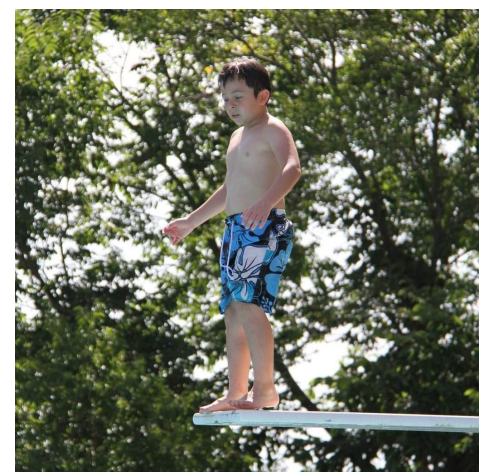


"Not only did I grow my connection with God, but I was challenged beyond what I thought I was materially capable of. I had many healings this summer. I was healed of a jealousy that had overcome me, as well as many other physical error suggestions. All these healings and experiences were possible because I got to go to camp, so thank you!"

My summer at camp was incredible this year. I was able to continue my love of and growth in mountain biking during 2nd session. However, it was 3rd session that really pushed me metaphysically. The kayaking program 3rd session was such a challenge. I had to master many challenging rolling and exiting skills to ensure my safety on the river. Once I was on the river, I had to manage my kayak among the rapids, the rocks, the eddys, the sleepers, etc. All these changing variables really forced me to rely on Christian Science and my

atonement with God, rather than my material abilities. At first, it felt like it was all about one's physical strength. But even after I mastered all the physical skills, I still felt inadequate and nervous about staying safe on the river. Learning to rely on the divine instead of the material was a huge shift for me. Ultimately, it was that same still, small voice in I Kings that spoke to me and comforted me and helped me know I was safe in the ark of God on the river. I had an absolute blast on the river this summer and found that what Mrs Eddy says is true, "Divine Love always has met and always will meet every human need" (S&H pg 494). I'm grateful to the Campership Fund for their support of campers like me so that I can learn to love God even more."

"Camp has really given me the opportunity to grow my spiritual relationship with God. I had some amazing healings this summer which helped me understand what Christian Science is about. One healing was on "the Challenge" camping trip where I had some issues with my shoulder and was able to work with a practitioner about how divine Love never fails to be with us all the time. The problem was quickly resolved, and I had a great experience!"



"One day when I jumped off of the high dive and splashed into the water I came up and my ear started to hurt. I knew that if God can't have it then I can't have it. After free swim was over it was lunch time and I saw my mom and told her about it.

Soon it started feeling better and it didn't hurt anymore. What camp means to me is a place where you do fun activities and learn about God and make new friends. Thank you again for helping me and my family go to camp."

"The theme of limitless love was exactly how I would describe it. I was also able to have a healing on the challenge. I twisted my ankle running down a ridge and when I looked at all the counselors surrounding me, I just thought of these angels surrounding me with their love. I was so grateful for that experience. I love being able to see girls at camp that I love so very much and do things I can't do at home. Camp is my favorite place in the world, and I could not be more grateful to be able to go every summer."



"I had such a fun summer at camp this year! I had a wonderful healing on our 3-day trip during the mountain biking session. After we had settled at our campsite on the second day, I was not feeling myself. I immediately addressed it the way my parents and Sunday School teacher have taught me in Christian Science. The biggest idea that helped was realizing the simple truth that there is no place where God is not. On the third day of this trip, I didn't see any progress, but then I thought back to what a former counselor had told me during a previous summer. He had shared the idea that can be found in this quote by Mary Baker Eddy in Science and Health.

"The caterpillar, transformed into a beautiful insect, is no longer a worm, nor does the insect return to fraternize with or control the worm. Such a backward transformation is impossible in Science" (pg. 74). It was this spiritual idea, that there was no backward progress for me or anyone else, that really helped me see clearly. Progress only moves forward. After thinking more about that idea, I finished one of the bike trails and my thought was super clear on who I was spiritually and that brought healing. I really appreciate the Campership Fund helping me go to camp this summer and giving me the opportunity to demonstrate new skills and clarity about who I really am."

"Our daughter had a wonderful time at camp. She enjoyed being with her friends and learning how to swim. She learned how to ride a horse. When she first arrived at camp, she had a fear of spiders and could not sleep. After some prayerful work with the practitioner, she learned to rely on divine Love. Knowing and understanding that she was surrounded by God's love, helped her to get over the fear and enjoy camp. Her favorite activity was hymn sing. Hymn sing always made her feel at home and brought her joy and comfort. She truly embraced her friends at camp as God's perfect children and this helped her in solving any issues with love and compassion. We're so grateful for your organization and all the good it's doing assisting children and family with the opportunity to attend camp."

"I really grew in Christian Science. At camp I got bit by a lot of bugs. I was itchy and uncomfortable. I visited the CS Practitioner at camp. She directed me to Science and Health pg. 393 where Mrs. Eddy says, "Reverse the case. Stand porter at the door of thought, admitting only such conclusions as you wish realized in bodily results. You will control yourself harmoniously." I studied this quote and made sure I was reversing the case and not being afraid of whatever was biting

me. And I worked to know I couldn't be tempted to scratch it either. Within a few days the itchiness had stopped and I had a higher sense of God's protection and love for me."

"During my time at camp, I accidentally fell backwards on a slip n slide and bruised my tailbone. It hurt to walk for the rest of the day, but I talked with the practitioner. One thought in particular doesn't originally have anything to do with CS, but I found a way to apply it. The original quote was from a YouTube video that says "No prison can hold me! Adventure awaits! Huzzah!" The last half of the quote I had been using just to say because it was funny, but as I was praying, I realized that 'no prison can hold me' can also refer to Christian Science. It refers to Christian Science in the sense that no prison of mortal mind can hold me. Using this thought, I was able to go about my day and it did not hinder me with the following day's activities. At the end of the second day, I realized it wasn't bothering me and I was completely healed. Thanks again so much for helping me go to camp!"



"This year I had the opportunity to go on a trip called the "challenge". On this trip we had a great chance to get closer with God and have some healings. Before this trip I was very worried because of some of the stories that I had heard people tell me. A lot of these comments were making me regret signing up. But then we arrived at the site in the middle of the woods. It was beautiful and I realized that there

is nothing to worry about if I am in God's presence. The trip theme this year was limitless Love. The two hymns that came to mind when I heard about the theme were: hymn 179 "love one another word of revelation, Love frees from error's thrall, -Love is liberation" and "everlasting arms of love are beneath around above". These hymns really helped me throughout the trip, and I had such an amazing time at camp."

PARENT WORKERS AT CAMP

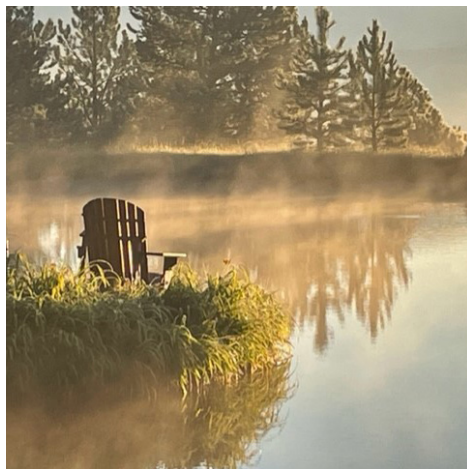
"What an amazing experience camp has been. I, along with my two daughters, came to camp for the first time this summer. If it weren't for the generous supporters of the campership fund, this wouldn't have happened. My gratitude brought me to help in the kitchen for four weeks. I was able to watch my children go from uncertainty to joyfulness within days under the guidance and wonderful care of the amazing counselors. In all my days, I have never seen the directors so engaged. The time I got to spend at the camp reading, writing, and reflecting couldn't have come at a better time in my life. I feel a part of my soul has been healed just by being able to step away from the stresses of everyday life. Thank you for your generous donations. Please know what a blessing you all are, for you have blessed my life, and the lives of my children immeasurably."

"My favorite part of camp as an adult helper is the opportunity to have quiet time during the cleaning jobs. Once into the routine, you can just work and be present with God, vs being at home or work and there are so many things trying to pull thought away. I also love the opportunity to connect with other CS parents. I have made many friends that I look forward to spending 2 weeks each summer working with. We would not have been able to attend camp without your support."

"I decided to be an adult helper in Housekeeping and my husband

(still new to Christian Science) offered to come along and help in the Maintenance department. I was tremendously blessed to know lots of new friends in the Housekeeping Department, and many, many healing ideas were shared in our morning "Met meetings". I now respond more lovingly and react a lot less as things come up in our family, and there is a much greater sense of patience and punctuality."

ADULT CAMP



"I cannot thank you enough for your wonderful gift of AU Adult Minicamp 2022. Without your assistance I would not have been able to attend this year. I attended last year and was amazed at the Love shared by all, campers and staff alike. But returning this year was even more magical. The friendships made last year were just the beginning. This year it was like having a big, loving, family reunion. It was wonderful having a group to ride bikes with, and having the opportunity to enjoy other activities, such as horseback rides, a nature walk, a challenging hike to Columbia basin, stand-up paddleboarding on the lake, and more. Mealtimes gave more opportunities to meet and chat with additional people. Everyone was entirely kind, meals were superb, and activities were expertly led. I enjoyed attending camp so very much, and this year especially, as the assistance from this dear fund gave me the chance to return and feel and express more of God's Love."

"I just got back from the Bible Study on the book of Revelation. What a revelation, all of it! I gleaned a very simple yet profound insight into the book of Revelation, and an understanding of the value of the Adventure Unlimited ranch. It's tranquil beauty, quiet places to retreat and study, and enriching conversations with new friends was a welcome addition to my life. While I was there, I was challenged with a fearful situation that was going on at home. Because of the quiet mental atmosphere at the camp, I was able to overcome the fear and continue on with the wonderful bible study and to engage joyfully in the lively discussions. The beauty of the AU ranch has come to my thought many times since I've returned home. I see beautiful cabins and snow on the ground that glistens in the sun, I see warm hearts and answered prayer. And I feel it beckoning, "You were loved. Come back again!"

"Thank you so much for the grant to help me attend Madelon Maupin's Bible Study Seminar on the Book of Exodus. It was wonderful to be at Camp again - to see old friends, to make new ones, and to be inspired by not only the seminar but also by the examples of the people in attendance.

The Seminar was so full! I came away feeling I was getting to know Moses better. And I certainly now know more about those plagues!! They were not just random things but grew in intensity and strength as they progressed in countering Egyptian beliefs about the power of their gods - just as we sometimes need to grow in strength and certainty when faced with a particularly difficult challenge.

The Camp staff is also a source of inspiration with the love they express and how so many of them clearly turn to God first for all their needs. Thank you again, for this unselfish gift. It met my immediate need and will continue to bless me as well as those I come in contact

with through my work as a Journal listed practitioner.”

FAMILY CAMP

“We are beyond grateful for our experience at Family Camp! It was such a joy to be able to do all of the activities camp had to offer. Spending time with friends (old and new) was a highlight of the experience. Both of our children came away from camp confidently interacting more with others their own age, and with a stronger trust in themselves and God. We look forward to future years at Family Camp and eventually Summer Camp, where we can participate in more talent shows, overcome more fears, and come to know ourselves more as God’s beloved children. Thank you so much to all involved with The Campership Fund. It means so much that you dedicated your time, effort, and money to such a worthwhile cause.”

“I wanted to take a moment to thank you again for the opportunity to attend Family Week! It was also such a gift for the girls to learn how to use Christian Science on a practical daily level through metaphysical quotes used before each activity and how to apply them. They still continue it! They both want to attend camp next year and are no longer scared because they know that they will be surrounded by kindness, respect, and fun.”

“We are so grateful for our week at family camp. This was the first time we were able to share our love for camp with our kids and it was so special to see them fall in love with it too. We all had so much growth, healing and fun. Our kids didn’t want to leave and they want to come back to family camp and summer camp next year. We hope to continue coming back to experience God’s love in such a special, beautiful place. Our 6 year old told us for the first time that he prayed and had 2 healings while he was there and our 9 year old made lifelong friends, enjoyed all of the

activities and is already planning to spend all of next summer at camp. Thank you so much for your generosity and help to make this week possible for our family.”

“I attended family camp with my children and my sister and her children. We are separated across the country and we wanted to get the cousins together and enjoy a vacation. It was a special time to spend together and have fun. Half way through, after talking to the practitioner, my experience transformed from a fun care free vacation to a deep prayerful mission. My perception of the other campers turned to reverence for the shared experience we were having sincerely working to honor god. I felt a very alive closeness with god and love and truth. It is not a regular summer camp. I am truly grateful for the experience. Our thoughts turn often back to our time there. Thank you so much.”

“We are so grateful for the assistance to attend Family Camp. We have come to rely on our time as a family at camp to sustain us spiritually through the rest of the year in our jobs, lives in the Big City.”

GIVING BACK

“Being able to come to camp is by far the best part of my year. The feeling of coming to camp could be described in so many ways, but for me it is described as coming home. Along with leadership skills, I was even able to make a MET for one of our activities. Each year I feel like I have grown more spiritually. My favorite activities are now the Hymn sings on Sunday and the daily Bible Lesson Study in the mornings, but the slide and high ropes are pretty amazing too. Doing those things also made me lean towards becoming a CIT at camp next summer.”

“I have been going to camp since I was six. I hope, as I continue to go to camp, I can eventually become a counselor to give back to this loving community. I cannot say enough

how much I appreciate your support in getting me go to camp. If I could not go to the camp, I would miss all the adventures and friendships I gained.”

“This summer was the best summer yet! I loved experiencing the wonderful feelings of belonging, family, and unity. I also grew in my understanding of Christian Science at camp. It was amazing to experience so much personal growth and be able to take all the “tools” we talked about home with me. Another thing I enjoyed were the hymn sings, testimony meetings, and Practitioner talks every morning. The Practitioner talks fully prepared me to have a fun-filled, blessed day. I also loved the hymn sings because it was great to feel God’s presence while singing some of my favorite hymns with the whole camp. The testimony meetings were wonderful reminders of God’s tender, loving care that is constantly protecting and guiding us. Even though I was sad to leave, I’m so grateful I was able to experience camp this summer. I cannot wait to come back home next summer as a CIT!”

“Our family is deeply grateful for the financial support to send our two children to camp for two weeks. This was our 4th grader’s first time going for two weeks and our 2nd grader’s first time going (besides one Family Camp). They both had wonderful experiences and benefited from being around not only kids their own ages but also “big kid” counselors who are all learning the same truths about God and themselves as His reflections. I really appreciated the question in the application form regarding what the campers were doing to help send themselves to camp. Since they are so young, I hadn’t thought about involving them in fundraising. We came up with two ways for them to contribute. First, they donated the money they made from selling toys they no longer wanted at a garage sale. Second, they wrote letters to family members asking for donations towards attending

camp. We brought what they had collected to camp so they could pay their own balances. Thank you for inspiring us to have them take ownership of contributing to their camp experience. We are very grateful that camp has become a special, uplifting and fun part of their childhood. Thank you."

FIRST CAMP EXPERIENCE

"My first camp experience was amazing. It was fun and I learned a lot about God and love. I hope I can come back and try waterfront next year. Thank you for making it possible for me to go to camp."

"This summer was not only my first camp experience, it was my first trip away from home. The Leap of Faith activity was especially meaningful to me. I was very nervous about the jump. Through the encouragement of my friends & counselors, I gathered up enough courage to jump. I learned to trust God even though I was terrified. I made friends from all over the US. I signed up for the 1 week session. Next year, I would love to go 2 full weeks."

"Thank you so much for helping to send me to my first year of camp! I made lots of friends there and it was fun because we got to know each other so well. We were all like brothers. Everybody really understood each other, and I can't remember any arguments. Christian Science was like tape keeping us all together and we didn't have to be uncomfortable about religion. I never thought there were this many Christian Scientists in the world! Everyone liked helping each other so nothing bad ever happened because there was always someone who had your back."

NLC BLESSING



"Thank you for the generous donation you made to help make my experience at Orientation Summer all the more fun! On this adventure, I was able to do things I typically would not have done, and all of those things were very fun! For one, I got to spend time with my friends in my class. This is great, because all of us live all across the U.S., so aside from our trips, we don't get to see each other in person. We had the chance to bond with each other, which is hard not to do when you're practically living together for two weeks. Another exciting thing we did during this trip was we went on hikes. I never knew I enjoyed hiking, but after hiking all around in Colorado, I discovered that I quite enjoy it. We did an exercise called the 'Leap of Faith' and it was this very high platform up on this tall tree. There was a trapeze, but you didn't have to reach for it. You would climb up, and either jump off, or you could just walk off. When I got up there, I could feel God with me, and because of that, I was able to jump off! After that, everything that seemed scary when I thought about it seemed a little less scary. Thank you for your help in making my experience wonderful."

"I had so much fun bonding with my classmates and enjoying the fun activities everyday, and I couldn't have done it without your help and support. Thank you so much for helping with my NLC class."

"I also went to camp AU for my NLC orientation summer. I got to do lots of cool things like hiking up several mountains, rafting, exploring Colorado, and connecting more with my NLC class. I had a blast and it was my first time being up more than 3000 ft. of elevation. I love my NLC class and how much we've grown to know each other on this trip. It was my first time for a lot of things such as living at the Lost Wonder Hut for 3 days, rafting, tubing, feeling 40 degree water, and some others."

"I went on my NLC class orientation summer trip. I got to do so many cool experiences that I had never done before, and I had so much fun doing them. I've got to hike up a 14,000 foot mountain, float down rapids in just a life jacket, and go rafting for 3 hours on class 3 rapids. I did so much more than I could've imagined, and I had so much fun. I really loved my camp and NLC experiences and I am so grateful that I was able to go this year with your help."