

## This is Camp Ministry:







Sometimes fixing broken pipes

sometimes taking a trash load Occasionally cleaning a scummy pool







Most of all taking care of people, mentoring, and building relationships with God & each other.

## **Greetings Faithful Supporters, Family, and Friends**

It has been some time since our last communication and for that I apologize. We really got busy this summer and the time has flown by. So here is a little update for you.

As you know Covid hit us hard, here at the camp, both financially and mentally. 2020 was a record low year financially for the camp and for us, a very lonely year as well. Well, I will have you know, that 2021 has been an amazing comeback year for us. We had somewhere around 2300 people come through camp this season. The year was financially better than projected, as well. Can I get an amen!! As I shared with you last time God showed up, yet again, even in my doubt. He has made Mt Hope come alive again. God's work has been done here this year and still continues on. We have three more groups

coming in this year and another just called today. God's plan for us is clear here at Mt Hope. Keep on Keeping on!!

Ps.25:10 The Lord leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.

We were blessed to have a small but mighty Summer Missionary Staff. Some of you may have seen our video on Facebook. Our summer staff included: Alex Scheive, Seth & Caleb Rice, Bridget Coggins, and Emma Englund. Christi Stark (formerly Christi Englund) jumped in and helped lead our amazing summer missionaries. With this hardworking team, our faithful volunteer Ric Hammond, our new almost full time volunteer Sue Guinn, and our guest groups cooking their own meals, we were able to host a total of 11 groups this summer!! Thank you to all! We are especially grateful for those groups who took extra effort to clean up so well to help our small staff prepare for the next group.

We were also able to host our first Mt Hope Camp since Covid. We held our Mt Hope Women's Retreat Oct. 1st-3rd with about 50 ladies attending. The committees' desire was to bring women together and come out of the last year with a call to be "Fearless". It was made possible with the help of volunteers. It was a much needed time and they looked forward to next year. Save the dates, Oct. 7th-9th 2022.

Rita and I just keep on saying yes and God keeps on providing. Well most of the time I say yes. Rita is much better at it than I. Anyway, I just wanted to let you all know that your support, both through finances and prayer have been a huge help in our ministry here at the camp. Rita and I are so excited for the next part of this journey. Thanks for your support. We hope you continue to join us on this mission, with prayer and financial support. We will commit to making Mt. Hope Bible Camp a place where people can find the peace, joy and love they need from Jesus. Please join us on this journey.

As we continue to work on improving and repairing camp, I wanted to share our current list of project and tool needs at Mt Hope. If you can help us with these needs it would be a huge blessing.

• 2 Basketball Courts: 1 court 50 x 50 approx. 24 yards concrete need for each court

- 4 Cabins: approx. \$15,000 cost per cabin plus we need builders
- Landscape projects: no cost but need volunteers
- Fence project: we have the material, just need volunteers
- A UTV (We had a Kubota that was stolen in January 2020). It is an invaluable work tool
- Golf carts for our housekeeping staff and transporting guests with impairments

As you can see there is lots of stuff to help out with and there is no discrimination here. Young, old (or should I say the young at heart) you're all welcome to come and spend a day here working on projects. If you are unable to bless us with time, your financial gift would be greatly appreciated. Thank you again for your continued support and God bless you and your families.

To keep updated on what is happening at Mt Hope, please check out our website: www.mthopebiblecamp.org, and our Facebook page: facebook.com/mthopestrong

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