

# Staff Newsletter

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## STATS:

- 367 CAMPERS THIS SUMMER!
- 25 FIRST-TIME COMMITMENTS TO JESUS CHRIST!
- 233 REDEDICATIONS!
- 94 STAFF MEMBERS, 31 WHO HAVE BEEN CAMPERS IN THE PAST!
- 100+ SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN!

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## SUMMER 2023



*"For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on the day-and not only me, but also to all who have*

*longed for His appearing."* (2 Timothy 4:6-8)

What a great summer! Each and every one of you made it possible for OFCR to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with everyone who comes through the archway! You really are amazing! Time and time again, we saw you pour yourself out for the Lord, longing for His appearing, and loving on the campers through thick and thin. You ran the race well and kept the faith. Every single camper heard the Gospel and had

the opportunity to see the love of God in you. Thank you for giving of your time, energy, and endurance to come yet again to serve at camp. Seeds were sowed, watered, and harvested, praise God! Please continue to pray for the 367 campers that attended this summer, those who missed coming, and for your fellow staff members.



## Conklin Family's New Adventure!



It is with grateful hearts here at OFCR we say thank you to the Conklin family for their

service here at camp over the years. Due to health reasons on Kim's part, the Lord has moved them to Idaho Falls where they can be closer to medical facilities. Tim was our Facilities Director and Kim was our Director of Food Service and Hospitality. Please keep

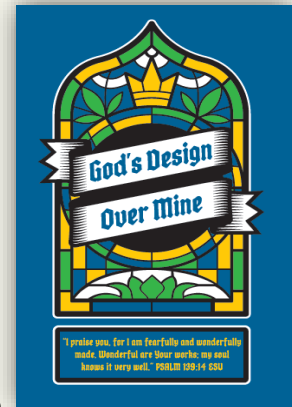
this servant-hearted family in your prayers as the Lord opens doors for serving Him in the area. The task and role of how they served as a family is much appreciated and will be missed at camp. Thanks again to the Conklin Family!

# GOD'S DESIGN OVER MINE

Nothing could prepare us for reading through the camper evaluations for the summer and seeing 233 campers report that they had renewed their relationship with Jesus Christ while at camp! That's over 2/3's of the campers that attended the four weeks of camp! As a camper, I (Brenda) looked forward to camp every year as a time not

only of fun, but of getting away from the distractions and noise to connect with the Lord. Going to church, doing private devotions, and praying was great, but there was always something special about the quiet of camp that seemed to make hearing God's voice so much easier. Camp has remained that quiet place for campers and

staff to hit pause on the world and get away to meet with the Lord. Once again, God used the summer theme to drive home the truth of His Word and to refocus hearts on Him. Campers were eager to ask questions and give voice to the burdens on their hearts. May these seeds be watered and grow into a magnificent harvest for our Lord's great glory!



## 233!

## Higher & Deeper

*"Because I stood there alone,  
[Jesus] and I, my heart has  
been higher, my song  
deeper, all my days."*

C. S. Lewis



This has been a favorite quote of mine for many years. We have all had moments in our lives that change us forever. Those moments can either break

us, or plunge us deeper into the heart of our loving Savior. Where are you at today? Do you feel alone, forsaken, barren? Or are you in a season of rest, refreshment, and peace? Wherever you are today, remember that you are not alone. Jesus is ALWAYS with you, and He will use these moments in the tapestry of your life. Your heart will one day be higher

than it is right now and your song sung with deeper gratitude. That may be when you come into a different season or when you stand before Jesus in glory. Do not lose heart. Fix your eyes upon His loving face. Soon we will see Jesus, and all the difficulties of life will be swallowed in up victory! Praise God!

## THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE HOODIE???

Over the years, there have literally been thousands of staff members who have served at OFCR. Some only come for one week. Others catch the camp bug and continue coming for years, even decades!

**NEW this year!**

If you are planning on coming to help at camp and can commit to being there, you qualify for the early bird hoodie! Apply at [www.ofcr.org](http://www.ofcr.org), fill out the required paperwork, and you qualify for a free hoodie that you will receive during your week

of camp! Deadline for early flamingo sign up is **May 1st.**

So what are you waiting for?! Invite some friends and come serve, knowing it has an impact for eternity!



**FREE HOODIES?!**

# CONSIDER CAMP MINISTRY

A week of summer camp gives a glimpse of what full-time ministry is like:

- ✧ Work for the Kingdom of God that is fulfilling, challenging, and exciting
- ✧ Sharing Jesus Christ with all who come to camp (campers, staff, guests)
- ✧ Long hours, hard work, and deep blessings
- ✧ Ministry to the Body of Christ from all over the country
- ✧ Behind-the-scenes labor to ensure campers and guests have everything they need to have a wonderful time at camp
- ✧ Fellowship and friendship with people from different backgrounds, regions, and personalities
- ✧ Tons of fun and laughter
- ✧ Growth in the Lord

We are actively seeking people to partner with us in the ministry at Old Faithful Christian Ranch in full-time and part-time capacities. Serving over 50 churches, with 1,100+ guests a year, 367 campers this summer, 94 staff members, 40 acres, and 28 years of experience, OFCR is a wonderful place to serve the Lord Jesus Christ!



Camp is a big place, and it takes many hands to make it operate smoothly. Will you prayerfully consider if the Lord is calling you to join us full-time, or if you know someone who might be the right fit?

If you have any questions or would like further details, please contact Kevin Owen at 208.390.9840 or check out [www.ofcr.org](http://www.ofcr.org).

## Open Positions:

- ☐ Bookkeeper (familiar with Quickbooks, payroll)
- ☐ Kitchen Director (food ordering, menu/food preparation, volunteer recruitment, running of the kitchen for summer camp and retreats)
- ☐ Facilities Director (maintenance, building experience, general mechanic skills, physically fit)

**LOOKING  
TO GO  
INTO  
MINISTRY  
FULL-  
TIME?  
WE ARE  
HIRING!**



## 2024 CALENDAR

MAY 3RD

APPRECIATION BANQUET

JUNE 1ST

SPRING WORKDAY

JUNE 23RD-27TH

STAFF TRAINING WEEK

JUNE 30TH-JULY 5TH

SR. HIGH (GRADES 10TH-GRADUATED SENIORS)

JULY 7TH-12TH

JR. HIGH (GRADES 8TH-9TH)

JULY 14TH-19TH

MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6TH-7TH)

JULY 21ST-26TH

JR. CAMP (GRADES 4TH-5TH)

OCTOBER 5TH

FALL WORKDAY



