## Spring 2025 DLBC CAMP NEWS





## **The Blessing of Service**

Matthew 20:28 "The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

"My name is Summer Shade and I am sixteen years old. My experience as a camper at DLBC has changed my life, which is why I chose to counsel last summer for Junior High Girl's camp. I wanted to be a part of other young lives being changed too!

I came to staff training the day before camp started with the mindset that I was here to be a blessing. What I didn't count on was how much God was going to bless me.

The awesome thing about counseling is- as you pour into others, God pours into you. He'd be speaking to me as I was listening to the girls and thinking about how to answer their questions. Or God would give me ideas about how to connect with them about things going on at home.

Counseling also strengthens your ability to depend on the Holy Spirit. It gives you the chance to practice resting in God in situations that require all your attention and energy. You get to be a part of helping youth grow their relationship with the Lord and in the process, you experience growth in your relationship with Him too!

Most importantly, counseling allows you to develop the servant's heart of Jesus within yourself."

Would you like God to pour into you, as you pour into campers? Apply to be a counselor at <u>dickeylakebiblecamp.org/serve</u>

## **Dickey Lake Bible Camp**

By Cambree Fisher, Age 10

Aqua dark blue water, Shiney sandy between your toes, The water is so lovely, I want to stay. The snack shack is on a tiny hill, Little animals, with pinchy little claws, called crawdads. It is easy to make friends. I introduce myself. J just love it here.

## Scholarship Update

Because of your generosity, the scholarship fund now assists with camp registration for our hardworking counselors and the children of our supporting pastors. **Thank You!** 

# This is Your Time to Abide in JESUS, THE TRUE VINE

#### 2025 Summer Camp Dates

- Young Adult Retreat (H.S. grad- age 35 +/-) | June 27 29
- Junior Camp (Grades 3-5) | June 30 July 4
- Family Camp (Everyone is welcome) | July 4 6
- Junior High Boys (Grades 6-8) | July 7 11
- Junior High Girls (Grades 6-8) | July 14 18
- 1st High School Camp (Grades 9-12 or just graduated) | July 20 25
- 2nd High School Camp (Grades 9-12 or just graduated) | July 27 August 1

Get more info and Register at dickeylakebiblecamp.org

## **Encouragement to Move Forward**

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ...to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise" Isaiah 43:19-21.

Since I became the Managing Director in 2020, many people have generously supported camp in a myriad of important ways: Serving, encouraging, fixing, volunteering, financial gifts and passionate prayer (*which is the best gift by the way*).

However, a recent gift of nearly \$200K has me really scratching my head, asking, "Wow, Lord, what's this all about?" Well, there's much I don't know, but I do know this: **God has provided this gift "that [we] might declare [His] praise** (see passage above). DLBC has a wonderful development plan that will greatly enhance the camper experience by highlighting our commitment to the spiritual emphasis of camp and making accommodations more comfortable. A new chapel (with room for everyone, meeting space, and yearround flexibility), a cabin village; as well as Quonset and bathhouse updates top the list.

Obviously, this plan will take a lot more than \$200K but we believe God is doing a new thing. He wants us to take steps forward and we don't want to miss it. It *takes a big team and a variety of gifts to make camp run; if you would like to partner with DLBC in any way, I'd love to talk to you!* 

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