

Kingswood Camp . Summer 2018

Summer 2018 was an incredible summer of ministry at Kingswood Camp. Like last summer we had a large number of children and youth that wanted to come to camp, almost all of our camps were full (most were over full!) with unfortunately some campers on wait-lists due to us being at or over capacity. We had a total of 444 campers over 9 weeks of camp! In our spring season we had 977 students come with their schools to Kingswood for a school trip led by our staff, many of these students come back to camp in the summer.

Summer 2018 was filled with new and exciting things at Kingswood! We created a new volunteer track for teens that wanted to be involved but were not ready to be cabin volunteers. These teens joined our SWAT (Serving With A Team) and served by cleaning dishes and bathrooms, serving food, setting up and helping in programming, and more! Our SWAT have the opportunity to become immersed in the Christian community among the staff and volunteers and be mentored and disciplined throughout the week. Another new development was our first ever Family Camp! The 7 families that attended had an amazing long-weekend in nature connecting with God and one another. Lastly, we have nearly finished building a new Home for the Director of Kingswood to live on site and further develop the year-round ministry of camp.

When children and youth come to Kingswood they become a part of a unique and powerful community that demonstrates God's love. Our leaders are dedicated Christians that seek to minister to campers in all activities - from canoeing to cabin devotions. Campers spend time adventuring and playing in God's creation and they learn about who Jesus is, what he has done for them, and how to follow and live in relationship with him. We thank God for the many children and youth He has impacted at Kingswood Camp and we are excited for more summers of lives being transformed for the glory of God!

In Christ,
Candice Main

Executive Director, Kingswood Camp

70+

Bibles were given out to campers who did not have one

10+

Campers were connected to a youth group or church

approx.
20

Campers put their faith in Jesus for the first time

"My daughter's enjoyed prayer time. They expressed that they learned so much because it was explained to them at their level."

- Lisa Moore

Thank you to those that faithfully pray and support Kingswood Camp. This ministry could not do the work it does without the support of individuals and churches. Outlined below are some of our most pressing needs and various ways that you can partner with the ministry of Kingswood Camp.

Future Needs

New Cabins: We have had two summers in row where we have been full to capacity with campers on wait-lists. Building a new cabin to increase capacity will allow more campers to come to Kingswood!

Cabin Leading Staff: Along with new cabins comes more cabin leading staff. We would love to hire two more cabin leaders to spend their summer teaching campers about Jesus and growing in leadership.

Facility and Equipment Maintenance: Our facilities and equipment need regular maintenance. We are coming into a season of increased need for this maintenance and require finances and volunteer labour for this to be completed.

Ways to Partner

Sponsor a Camper: sponsor all or part-of the registration so a child can come to camp that normally would not be able to attend. Ask us how you can get involved in our sponsorship program.

Volunteer: come out to camp and volunteer your time and skills. There are a variety of ways for people of all ages and skills to volunteer.

Church Presentations: whether you invite our Director to share about camp at your church or take it upon yourself, you can make Kingwood Camp a missions focus for your church.

Pray for Kingswood Camp: commit to praying regularly for this ministry. Receive updates on prayer requests throughout the summer and year.

Fundraise: put on a fundraiser event for camp

Donate: whether it is a one-time or regular donation you can contribute much needed financial support to further the ministry of Kingswod Camp

44%

of our campers this summer had no connection to a church

88

children were sponsored by individuals or churches

91%

of surveyed parents strongly agree that their child had a positive and enjoyable experience