

In their **own words**

Camper Scholarships:
Campers with Special Needs



Since 1969, we have
seen **lives change**
in powerful ways.

Over the history of our organization, we've been able to share the love of Jesus with thousands of children through life-impacting experiences of faith and fun.

“**Camp will make history in your life. You have fun, but at the same time you learn about God. I learned that God works in many different ways and He'll always forgive everybody—no matter how they sin.**”

Heidi, camper

At SpringHill, we've witnessed thousands of times how God transforms young lives. This is why we're so committed to creating and providing camp experiences for as many kids in as many places as possible.

This is also why we're so committed to assuring that every young person who wants to attend camp can do so, regardless of their family's financial situation. As a result, we've never turned a child away whose family could not afford to pay. We've been able to hold to this commitment since 1969 because of people like you who share our belief in the importance of camp and the power of Jesus.

Thank you for helping every child attend SpringHill, regardless of ability to pay, for 47 summers straight. As you'll see in the pages of this booklet, your gift has provided hope both now and for the future.

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Perry', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Michael Perry,
President



Our challenge is clear: There are 71 million kids under age 18 in America and research suggests that many are either abandoning the Christian faith or growing up in non-Christian homes.



Thank you for **partnering** with us in sharing the gospel with kids through intentional experiences.

During their time at SpringHill, kids are given an opportunity to examine the gospel and God's plan for their lives through practical and teachable moments.

These moments rely on community, a key part of the SpringHill experience. The communities at our camps, both large and small, foster the growth of trusting relationships for our campers.

It's in these relationships that kids can really learn about who God is and what his plan means for their lives.



I like **making people happy**

“ I love SpringHill and it makes me happy! I like thinking of others and I like letting them take their turn first. I like making people happy because it makes me happy thinking of others and thinking about how they feel. I have liked making friends and giving them high fives.”

Doug, 15

All people to love

“ I have loved being a one-on-one counselor. I've seen that the love that my campers give is the love of God, the purest love.”

Debora, one-on-one counselor





I made **good friends** here

“ This is my first year at camp and I liked studying about God and Jesus and singing the songs. I’m thankful for camp because I made good friends here, like my counselors and the people in the cabin. I want to have a school here and live here forever!”

Max, 15

Everyone here treats me like I'm a princess

“ Kendall turned to me and typed “everyone here treats me like I'm a princess or a queen or something.” I'm not a crier but I cried for that little girl. I wept because she will never be able to jump for joy or sing in the shower. I cried because she will never be able to go for a bike ride or dance at her wedding. But one thing she can do is come to a place that treats her like the princess she is despite these things. She can come to a place that shows her love that is not defined by her abilities. Love that loves her simply because she is herself. God's love. And even if for only a week that is worth the world.”

Nicolette, one-on-one counselor





Be forever changed

“ I am really passionate about our Inclusion program. At camp, we are able to accommodate for any disability. I know that every camper and counselor who is a part of this program will be forever changed.”

Carolyn Kraus, Teen Service Team Special Needs Coordinator

A photograph of three people climbing a wooden rock wall. The climber on the left is wearing a white tank top, dark shorts, and a yellow helmet. The climber in the middle is wearing a blue t-shirt, grey shorts, and a yellow helmet. The climber at the bottom is wearing an orange shirt and dark pants. The wall is made of horizontal wooden planks and has several colorful handholds (yellow, green, and brown). Ropes are attached to the climbers' harnesses. The background is a clear blue sky.

God makes everyone unique

“ I wanted to be a one-on-one counselor because when I was little I always wondered why God made people with special needs differently. Then, it started to make sense to me that God makes everyone unique and each one of these kids has a purpose and lesson they can teach to the world. My favorite memory came in the first week when we helped a camper named Jared up the rockwall strapped to our hips. It was super hard physically, but looking down at him and seeing his face full of joy made it worth it.”

Ryan McClelland, one-on-one counselor
(pictured on left)

Every aspect of the SpringHill experience is designed to fulfill specific spiritual growth outcomes.





Thank **you.**

You've not only helped
change campers'
lives, you have helped
change **communities.**

God's impact on campers doesn't stay at SpringHill, it touches the lives of their families, friends, and neighbors. Kids leave SpringHill transformed, excited, and empowered to share their experience of Christ's love with others.

Not only does your support help grow campers, it helps grow the community of Christ through them.



SpringHill has kept the same goals since 1969, with a number one priority of “creating life-impacting experiences that enable young people to know Jesus Christ and grow their relationship with Him.” All other purposes pale in comparison.



 **For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building."**

I Corinthians 3:9

Be a part of the journey. Take a child's hand and walk with them.

Your support is changing the current generation, and generations to come. When you give, you carve a path for children to come and grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Thousands of children and young adults come every year to SpringHill. You help make this possible.

From our staff, volunteers, and fellow supporters of SpringHill, thank you.

Let's **change** the world **together.**

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