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CRYSTAL LAKE CAMPS
REFLECTIONS OF LOVE

Campers may come for the summer—yet they carry the gratitude for a lifetime. Thank you for keeping the light of Crystal Lake shining.



CLC 2025 Theme

“...be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.”

I'm really grateful for your donations - this opportunity helped me grow in Christian Science and taught me a lot of skills.
- 2025 Camper



I Timothy 4:12 (be)

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...there was this insanely clear rainbow. Its probably the most clear rainbow I've ever seen. And it just filled me with this warmth that I can only describe as God's Love.

- 2025 CIT



MOVING WITH LOVE

As we reflect on another incredible summer at Crystal Lake Camps, our hearts are filled with gratitude. Campers of all ages hiked, laughed, prayed, and grew—surrounded by a loving community and supported by friends like you.

Your generosity makes this possible. Because of you, families and young people find a place to reconnect, explore their faith, and carry the lessons of camp into their lives with joy and confidence.

Included is a heartfelt letter from a recent Adult/Family Camp participant. She asked us to share it with every donor and prospective donor, as a personal expression of her deep gratitude for what CLC has meant to her.



You can breathe love here. It's all around you, in every moment, in every person.

- 2025 Adult/Family Camp Participant

Being here, in the middle of the woods, with little houses and the lake and all the birds and flowers—it feels like something from a children's storybook. It's absolutely beautiful.

- 2025 Adult/Family Camp Participant

I really enjoyed being at camp and meeting new friends that are Christian Scientists. I don't have any Christian Science friends at home, so I really appreciated meeting kids my own age that could support my spiritual growth.

- 2025 Camper





Dear Donors,

After my second experience at Crystal Lake Family Camp, I found deep meaning in Mrs. Eddy's words when she asks,

"Are we really grateful for the good already received?"

(Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 3:22-23)

That question resonated deeply because I realized that saying thank you may be a simple social code or a matter of politeness, but feeling gratitude has more to do with demonstrating love in action.

I also thought about how several biographies of Mrs. Eddy recount that when she was a child she spontaneously gave her coats to other children, and later her shoes, and I thought how perhaps the children who visit the camp literally do not need shoes or coats now, but perhaps our children today need and are asking for peace, attention, listening, a mentally and spiritually clean environment that promotes listening to God and spiritual growth, and that separates them from the hustle and bustle of matter.

Perhaps today's families need to collaborate more and look beyond our own needs and look to others who also practice Truth and love God, which is an incentive in our daily practice. And as I thought this, I deeply thanked God because there are hearts receptive to this call, to share their blessings, knowing that "We find that whatever blesses one blesses all" (Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 206:15)

I also like to think about the healing effect of giving, and it reminds me of Jesus' words when he taught us to pray:

Thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly (Matthew 6:6)

I find great blessing and grace in not knowing exactly who makes financial help possible, and I also know that the help is not personal, that it comes from above, but when the healed leper returned with Jesus to give thanks, he was able to discover that the idea, the expression of God, in this case Jesus, also included Substance, so I find it necessary to say with all gratitude:

Thank you very much for the financial support for the children and families. On behalf of the children of the Society to which I belong, who grew up in Crystal Lake and always received support in many ways, I would like to express my gratitude. As I said before, I see how important it is to understand the needs of each era and to meet them with the guidance of Christ. Thank you for making it possible for people from other countries who face different challenges, such as economic and immigration issues, to visit.



“Giving does not impoverish us in the service of our Maker...”

(Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 79:31–32 (to ,))

And this can only return to you in countless blessings. Unlike last year, our family was able to make a small contribution to attend the camp this year. It was not everything, but I am grateful to have been able to show a little more and to know that the financial support we receive is not a state of comfort but an invitation to perceive the abundance of love in all directions.

Thank you so much, and may the blessing of knowing such a prosperous Mother Church with such a firm and spiritual concept, the Rock, Christ, allow us to continue expressing love, time, attention, mercy, peace, tranquility, joy, purity, etc. in the Christian Science movement, in the diligent work of our branch churches, in the Sunday School that shelters the children and youth of the world, in the camp. We are all givers when we understand that God is the giver and that we are the reflection of this precious and generous action of divine Love in each one of us. So, as he said, “Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk” (Acts 3:6)

We continue together on the path of demonstrating Truth from where we are, and proving the divine rules of healing at every step. May God continue to bless you and inspire you to help the world that is so much in need of our correct perspective, based on Truth!

“The rich in spirit help the poor in one grand brotherhood, all having the same Principle, or Father; and blessed is that man who seeth his brother’s need and supplieth it, seeking his own in another’s good.”

(Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 518:15–19)

With infinite love and gratitude,

Yetel Macias Reyes,
Puebla, Mexico.





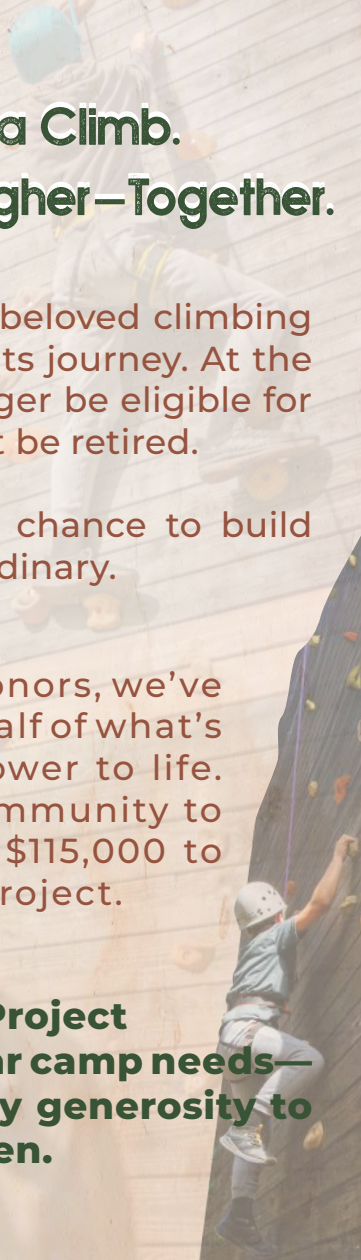
This Is Bigger Than a Climb. It's an Invitation to Rise Higher—Together.

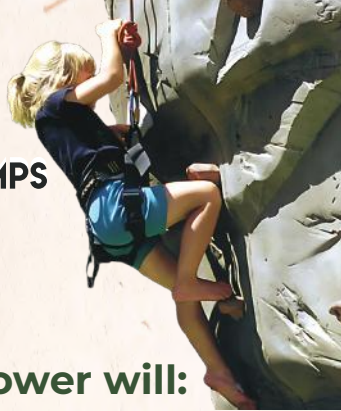
After decades of service, our beloved climbing tower is reaching the end of its journey. At the end of this year, it will no longer be eligible for certification—and must be retired.

But this isn't the end. It's a chance to build something extraordinary.

Thanks to two visionary donors, we've already raised \$115,000—half of what's needed to bring a new tower to life. Now, we're asking our community to help raise the remaining \$115,000 to complete this vital project.

**This is a Capital Project
—above and beyond regular camp needs—
and we need extraordinary generosity to
make it happen.**





The new 35-foot fiberglass tower will:

- Feature 6 climbing stations
- Include auto-belay safety systems
- Be built to endure for future generations

This is about more than climbing. It's about courage, confidence, and pushing past fear—lessons campers carry for life.

We invite you to prayerfully consider making a special one-time gift for this project.

