

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS

EAST IOWA BIBLE CAMP

We pray your holidays are overflowing with the love of God.



The brand-new white pool liner has been installed! A big thank you to everyone who made this project a reality!



Campers had the chance to enjoy the brand-new pool liner, creating countless memories along the way.



This spring, the entire dishroom was completely renovated, with a full expansion and upgrades to the counters, tables, shelving, and utilities.



The swings around camp are perfect spots to relax and hang out with all your camp friends.

Our Summer in Review

SUMMER 2024 ENDED WITH 1,075 CAMPERS
SPENDING A WEEK AT CAMP AND 121 SHARING
A FIRST-TIME DECISION FOR CHRIST!

East Iowa Bible Camp's 80th summer flew by, and what an incredible season it was! We welcomed 1,075 campers through our gates, each saying yes to adventure and growing closer to their Creator. Our summer theme, "CREATED," provided countless opportunities to explore creation and discover the amazing God who made us.

This summer, 59 summer staff and 41 teenage volunteers on our FORGE teams (ages 14-16) joined us in ministry. Alongside them, we hosted 9 Bible speakers, 6 missionaries, 9 first-aid leaders, a team of puppeteers for our youngest campers, and one outstanding head cook. In total, 132 individuals, including our year-round staff, came together on our 40 acres in southeast Iowa's corn and bean fields to share the Gospel. For nine weeks, we celebrated **80 years** of ministry, exploring creation and the Creator who made us all—**on purpose, by design, and for His glory** (Colossians 1:16 – 2024 Summer Theme).



WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME
THE GIBSON FAMILY TO OUR
YEAR-ROUND STAFF!

EIBC Need Highlight

Here at EIBC, we are blessed to have 40 acres to use for fun and adventure as we seek to **fulfill our mission**. "to know Christ and to make Him known."

One volunteer in particular, that we are so blessed to have, helps us mow these acres year-round. **He puts in countless hours** each season all around camp.

Bernie Hershberger is a retired engineer and loves to spend time here at camp mowing. Our current mower has served us well for many, many seasons, and we continue to do our best with what we have every season, but...

It is time for an upgrade!



WOULD YOU
HELP US RAISE
THE \$29,959
NEEDED TO GET
THIS NEW
MOWER READY
FOR BERNIE TO
RIDE ON NEXT
SEASON?

Ben and Emily Gibson have worked on summer staff here at EIBC for 4+ summers. They even got married just before the summer of 2023 in order to serve again as newlywed Program Interns. After that, God was already working out the details that would bring them back as our Program Interns again this summer, but this time they wouldn't leave at the end of the summer. Instead, we would have the honor of welcoming them to our year-round staff team. Ben is now our Associate Program Director and Emily is teaching part-time. They will work together a lot in the retreat-season on recruiting and planning for the summer when they will lead our campers. We are so excited to have them on the team and cannot wait to see how God uses them here at EIBC in the summers and years to come.

Welcome Gibson Family!

A Note from the Director

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Momentum 75 Update

Here is where we stand:

- **Total Raised Since 2019:** \$924,426.87
- **Funds on Hand for the New Building:** \$762,426.87
- **Amount we Still Need to Raise to Complete the Building:** \$740,000.00

In 2019, we launched a bold capital campaign during our 75th anniversary, and despite the twists and turns of a global pandemic, we've made incredible progress. Since then, we've raised **\$924,426.87**, enabling us to build a grain-bin cabin and two smaller cabins as part of this initiative.

Now, we're on the brink of the most transformative project in EIBC's 80-year history: a **new multi-use facility including a gym, lounge, additional meeting-room space, and bathrooms that will also double as a bath house for a future new swimming pool!** Final designs are underway, and we aim to break ground in **Spring 2025**, with the goal of completing the exterior shell by year-end. This new building is vital to the future of our ministry:

1. **Hosting Multiple Groups Simultaneously:**

Expanding our capacity to serve varied groups at the same time.

2. **Accommodating Larger Groups:** Meeting

the needs of growing retreats and events.

3. **Year-Round Recreation Opportunities:**

Offering activities regardless of season or weather.

4. **Expanding Our Impact for Jesus Christ:**

Reaching more lives with the Gospel through enhanced ministry opportunities.

This dream is within reach, and 2025 is the year it becomes reality.
Will you help us make history?

Merry Christmas!

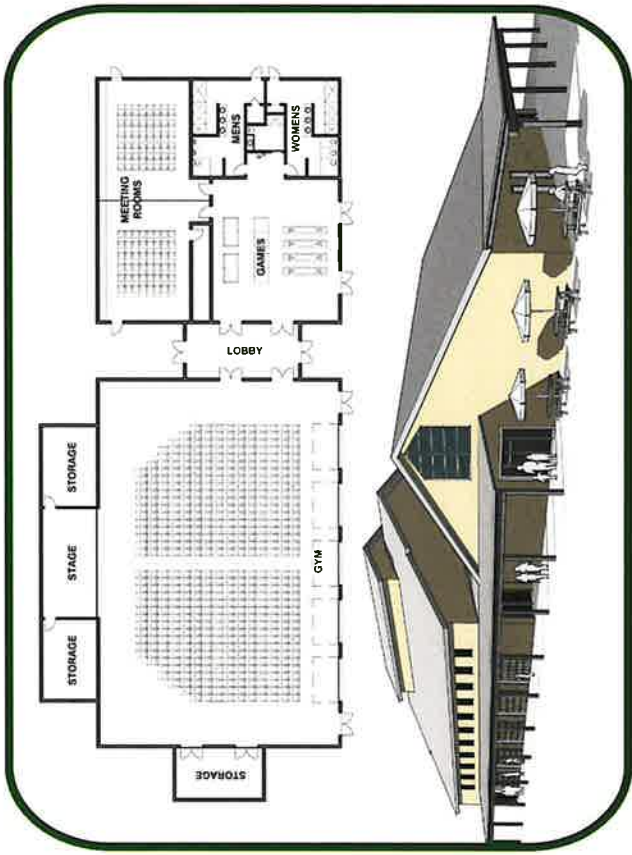
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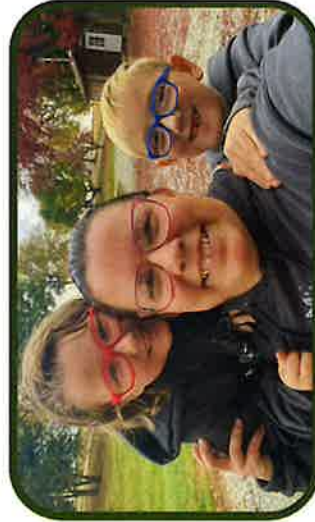
BREAKING GROUND SPRING 2025!



Folkmann Family



Kramer Family



Nederhoff Family



From all of the families that serve here all year, Merry Christmas!

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YES! I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A YEAR-END DONATION TO EIBC! A gift of any size would be such a blessing as we head into 2025! \$10,000 \$5,000 \$2,500 \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 Other \$

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Please use my gift toward:

- ☐ New Mower
☐ Multi-Use Building
☐ Where needed most



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