

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2024

FROM THE DIRECTOR

As we review 2024, I want to remind everyone Camp Pinewood's mission is:

To glorify God by partnering with churches in making Biblical disciples of Christ through the camp experience. We certainly accomplished this in 2024.

717 people participated in some way in one of our association camps in 2024. Camp Pinewood staff and volunteers successfully conducted:

- One overnight winter camp
- Three day camps
- Three overnight summer youth camps
- One Adventure camp
- Two Family camps
- One Ladies Retreat

Our paid summer staff consisted of:

- 19 different cabin leaders
- One assistant cook
- One maintenance person



SUMMER TEAM 2024

As always, volunteers are so valuable. A huge thanks to all the pastors, youth leaders and other volunteers that helped make 2024 successful. Most of our volunteers come from our association churches. In 2024 volunteers served as:

- Memorial Day Work Weekend volunteers 90+
- Servant Staff 39 teens
- Camp Pastors 7
- Camp Speakers 8
- Camp Nurses 7
- Youth Leaders 20
- Especially Needed Family Camp volunteers 3
- Other Volunteers 19

We are aware of three campers who put their trust in Christ, three who made decisions to be baptized and many campers who made a commitment to "Walk Worthy" of their calling. In addition, one former Cabin Lead is currently a Resident at Involve Church and two former Cabin Leads are currently interning at Involve Church. May God continue to be glorified in all we do!

Camp Pinewood is a year-round ministry. When we are not conducting association camps, we host association retreats and non-association guest groups. In 2024, nine of our eleven association churches held at least one retreat at Camp Pinewood. In addition, we hosted the Baptist Network Northwest annual Pastors Prayer Summit.

Thank you for supporting God's Camp Pinewood ministry in McCall, ID! Randy Welk Executive Director



Brittany Weeks is originally from Idaho and grew up attending youth camps and college retreats at Camp Cascade, Quaker Hill Camp, and Camp Pinewood. After earning her AA degree at CWI, she went on to Bible College, where she met a recruiter for Quaker Hill Camp. In May 2018, Brittany moved to McCall to work at Quaker Hill and quickly discovered her passion for cooking on a commercial scale. Before relocating, she had worked at a bagel sandwich shop, but she found her true calling in serving food to large groups and working in ministry. Just two weeks into the summer, Brittany accepted a full-time position, and as she was trained, she fell in love with food service. She later pursued her food certification and enjoyed teaching others food skills and how to prepare meals.

In 2024, Brittany married her wonderful husband, Daniel, and they made Donnelly their home. They love playing board games and card games, as well as camping together. When Brittany isn't working, you can find her crafting, hiking, snowboarding, spending time with family and friends, or creating something delicious in the kitchen.

We're excited to have Brittany as part of our team!

BUILDING UPDATE

Work on the Maranatha Activity Center has begun! The initial excavation of the hill took place in November. God provided a heavy equipment operator, John, to help us bulldoze the hill behind the shop. God also provided a dozer from a local excavation company that we were able to rent at a significant savings! Thank you FC Excavation! Please keep this project in your prayers as we seek the Lord's provision for funding to complete phase one in 2025.





Winter Blast 2025 is right around the corner! Join us January 18-20 for a fun weekend in the snow! We're excited to have Jared Puckett from Involve Church teaching on the topic Created for Good Works.

Go the camp website to get registered today!

SUPPORT CAMP PINEWOOD

Our Amazon Wishlist is any easy way to support camp with new supplies for games and activities.

We can always use volunteers to help with guest groups or projects around camp. Email Kyle at kyle@camppinewood.org for more information.

Pray for us!

2025 will be a big year at Camp Pinewood!
We'll be celebrating 25 years of minstry, see
Phase 1 of the MAC complete and have another
full summer of camps.



A NOTE FROM THE CAMP BOARD

Hello on behalf of the Camp Pinewood Board!

Winter is upon us but we are thinking and praying about the different ministries and camps that will take place at Camp Pinewood in 2025! We look forward to what the Lord has in store for us and how He will work in and through the lives of those who will be there.

One of the needs that we have noticed, as we look to the upcoming camping season, is the need for a newer and larger bus. The busing ministry at camp is an important tool. We need to be able to get kids to and from camp, especially those kids that may be unchurched and otherwise do not have transportation to camp. Our current buses are getting older in age and their seating capacity is limited. The Camp Pinewood Board is currently looking to purchase a newer 84-passenger bus that we could use. With that, we are looking at a cost of around \$6,000.

Here comes the ask... we are looking for donations to help us purchase this new bus! This is a great way to help support the ministry of camp in a very tangible way. Our desire and prayer would be that we could fill each one of those 84 seats with students so we can share the gospel with them through the camping experience!

lf you want to give towards a new bus you can donate online www.camppinewood.org/support-us or you can mail a check directly to camp. Our goal is to raise the funds by Jan 1st, 2025 so we can purchase a bus before our first camp of 2025, Middle School Winter Blast.

As always please be praying for the ministry at Camp Pinewood and for the hearts of those that will be attending in 2025.

Thank you for your continued support!

Brett Berheim

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