

Motivated to Serve!

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen." 1 Peter 4:10-11

Dearest Friends,

March 2024

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ! I am so thankful for how the Lord uses so many different people to do so many different things on behalf of La Montaña Christian Camps! May God abundantly bless you for being willing and available!

February was a wonderful month for La Montaña both with camps for our churches as well as the 2 volunteer teams that came to serve with us. Encounter Church from Ventura and Catalyst Church from Santa Paula both brought over 40 hard working servants to help give camp a much-needed facelift! We were able to completely remodel and guys and girl's bathrooms with new stalls, flooring and paint! We also were able to finish the new Sports complex bathrooms with the funding they provided. They also built 2 new "ranchitos" (small roofed meeting areas) and we even built a new low ropes course! Their funding also provided for the renewal of our overpass bridge roofing which was falling apart after almost 18 years of service! We got a lot done, and these amazing people served their hearts out!

March will bring 2 more teams with over 50 volunteers that will enable us to add 2 more ranchitos, pour the base of our lower pond in concrete, paint our guys and girl's cabins and paint our Timothy Institute building. It is overwhelming to see all that has been done and the love that these servants have shown us with these selfless acts of service. These funds and the hundreds of man hours enable us to continue to offer the very best camp experience to everyone who comes at the lowest possible price. We are encouraged to continue to aggressively seek all the lost that the Lord allows us to host so that He can do the work in each of their hearts!

We are always looking for more teams, families and individuals that would like to serve with us in both projects-based service or program support. I can guarantee that all of those who come go away blessed and encouraged by what they see and by the way God touches each one while here! If you would like to know more about opportunities to serve, please check out our website at www.lama4youth.org and click on the "short-term opportunities" tab. Or, if you know of a young person from 18-25 who would like to spend a summer with us, have them reach out to us as well!

From all of us at LAMA and La Montaña Christian Camps, thank you for your faithful prayers and generous support. We experience so much love and encouragement from you and it fills our hearts with hope that "He who began a good work in us will carry it to completion in Christ Jesus! (Phil. 1:6) God bless and prosper you all!!

Praising God for each of you,

Joseph and Lori Pent
Ray and Marjie Schwartz
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If you would like to make a donation toward the July 22-26 Bribri camp, the please log on to our website: www.lama4youth.org/donate and select "send a kid to camp" and the amount of your gift. THANK YOU!