

Bonita park

camp & conference center

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CAMP BUGLE— November 2025

WORKING TOGETHER—WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR ETERNITY

Bonita Park is Thankful for...

Changed lives..."This morning I sat and looked around this room (Fireplace Room) and asked, 'God, how many lives have you touched in this place?'" - Shared recently by a guest who first came to Bonita Park in the 1980's.

The beauty of this place, the people who serve here, and the God who makes it all possible. - Denver

God's gift of time. Days recently spent with grand-kids in our home...so much laughter echoing through the walls. And also coffee! - Brenda

All of God's blessings in my life and for all the little moments that reveal His goodness. - Holly

This wonderful life! - Joy!

Cookies and ice cream. - Maddox

I am thankful to live close to my elderly parents. - Andy

Grandkids & sunny days. - Shelly

Christ, Coffee, and my wife, Ranae. - Jonathan

My faith, my family, and the never-ending love and Grace God pours out. - Matt

Where I live, my country, my church, my family, Thanksgiving in ABQ with part of the family & Christmas in Cancun with the other part. - Jo Beth

God's blessings like family, friends, and espresso! - Ranae

Happy
THANKSGIVING

Fall...the color changes and the beauty of the transitioning time. It makes my camera go crazy. - Paul

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING

Bonita Park has recently been given a **HUGE** gift of volunteer time and knowledge regarding road work. Volunteer work is currently happening on the Eagle Nest portion of the road starting at the top of the mountain and working downward. Rock is literally being chiseled out of the side of the mountain and the road is being widened. Appropriate drainage is being carved out and steepness of the road is being adjusted in certain areas. Road base is needed as progress is being made. Additionally, some maintenance is needed on the equipment as well as supplies like oil, fuel, etc.. **WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!!**



We also hope you will see the catalog for **TWO MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITIES!**

To support this process financially, please scan the QR Code to the right, or mail funds directly to the address above. Donations may also be made on Bonita Park's website by following this link: bonitapark.com/get-involved/donate.

Thank you for all of the ways you love Bonita Park!! We love you!





**The Special Edition Bugle
has gone out!**

**Did you read the Breaking News? If you
have any questions, give us a call!**

**To make a memorial or
honor gift, see insert.**

MEMORIAL FOR/*Given By*

PEARL MARIE BROWN

Tom Duane Brown

ARDITH COUZENS

Linda Brooks

Nancy Dytzel

Paul and Brenda Garber

Rusty and Diane Robbins

EDGAR AND ETHEL HANNA

W.S. Hanna

MICHAEL ALAN PRINCE, SR.

Darlene Prince

BARRETT WATKINS

Rob and Lauren Watkins

CHARLENE YORK

Ruth Hasenauer

Volunteer Hours at Bonita Park

Hours Since 1-1-25: **3886**

Dollar Value to the Camp: **\$46,638**

Eternal Value: **Priceless**

**Volunteer Hours Needed
to Serve November Groups: 162**

Please call the office to sign up!

We ♥ Our Groups

11/05/25 NM District Board of Ministry, Capitan, NM

11/06/25 NM District Leadership Retreat, Capitan, NM

11/06/25 Cantico Nuevo, El Paso, TX

11/13/25 Iglesia Un Nuevo Pacto Men, El Paso, TX

11/13/25 Linaje Bendito Men, El Paso, TX

11/21/25 Salt & Light Staff, Horizon City, TX

If you would like to receive the camp newsletter
via email or be removed from the mailing list,
please contact Brenda Garber at:
575-336-4404 or brenda@bonitapark.com

Prayer Pond Bricks

Write It In Stone

Deadline for brick orders is June 1, 2026

Your Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

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Brick Information Text ONLY

Special Symbols: \$ = heart; % = cross; { = star

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Payment Information \$100 per Brick

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Expiration Date: ____/____/____ Security Code: _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Signature: _____

Bonita Park is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

(Your gift is tax deductible to the extent allowed by the IRS.)

Return order form and payment to:

Bonita Park—Brick, 200 Bonita Park Rd, Capitan, NM 88316



BONITA PARK Christmas Catalog

- 2025 -

'Tis the season of giving!





Dear Friends,

At Christmas, we celebrate God's greatest gift — His Son — and the truth that every generous act of love reflects His heart.

Your gifts to Bonita Park help create a place where lives are renewed, faith is strengthened, and hearts encounter Jesus Christ. Within these pages, you'll find meaningful ways to join us in sustaining this ministry, each one an opportunity to be part of what God is doing at Bonita Park.

Thank you for being part of the Bonita Park family and for giving with the same joy and hope that God first gave to us.

May He bless you and yours in this season!

With Christmas blessings,

Rev. Denver B. DeWees

Bonita Park Adventure Fund and/or Bonita Park Camper Endowment Fund



Due to economic pressures and shifting costs, every camper currently receives a substantial discount over the true cost of attending camp. We are committed to continuing this level of support—but we can't do it alone. What greater legacy could we pass on than the opportunity for a young person to encounter God in the beauty and stillness of camp? To make sure this life-changing experience remains available for future generations, we are inviting you to invest in one or two ways. Rather than providing individual scholarship assistance, this funding will benefit all campers collectively by helping Bonita Park meet the

increasing expense of operating the camp. As giving increases, it will help stabilize costs for each camper - making the camp experience more accessible for everyone. To support this fund, please put Adventure Fund or BP Camper Endowment Fund in the memo.

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*One of the best gifts you can give to Bonita Park is prayer.
Thank you for praying over Bonita Park and campers for 86 years!
We are thankful that God continues to change lives in this place!*



**Scan the QR code
to donate online!**

Qualified Charitable Distributions

Bonita Park is eligible to receive Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs)! The IRS maximum distribution per IRA owner to one or more charities in a calendar year changes regularly. Please consult your IRA trustee or administrator for qualifying amounts. A QCD is a transfer of funds from your IRA custodian made payable directly to a qualified charity. Amounts distributed as a QCD can be counted toward satisfying your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for the year but is excluded from your taxable income. You must be at least 70½ years old the first time you request a QCD. If you process a distribution prior to reaching age 70½, the distribution will be treated as taxable income. If you are at least 70½ years old, own an IRA, and donate to charity, QCDs may make sense for you; consult a tax advisor regarding your specific situation.



Matching Gifts

Bonita Park has recently received a very generous matching gift of **\$100,000!!** This gift will be used to help with the most pressing needs on the grounds. Several of these needs can be found at the Events Center. The roof is in great need of being replaced to prevent damage to the inside of the facility.



Bonita Park has also received a matching gift of **\$5,000** for funding updates to the Events Center alarm system as well as updating office phones and internet systems that are able to work with Starlink Satellite systems.

Matching Received to Date: \$2,500

What Legacy Will You Leave?



Psalm 78:4 suggests that the people of God are responsible for proclaiming the Gospel to the next generation. This verse says “...**we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, His power, and the wonders He has done.**” The chapter actually speaks of **four generations** including the one yet to be born! Think about the legacy of Bonita Park. **How**

many generations in your family have loved coming to camp?

How many generations do you hope love to come to the camp in the future? You can share your faith and love for camp even beyond your own lifetime through careful estate planning that includes Bonita Park. Doing so, you have the joy of knowing that whatever you don't use in this life can continue in ministry at Bonita Park for generations to come. For information about planned giving, you can speak with your attorney or make contact with the Church of the Nazarene Foundation. Jon Twitchell can be reached at 913-577-2983 or jtwitchell@nazarenefoundation.org.

New Amphitheater...New Location(s) Same old memories...same mission!



Remember how your hearts and hands were warmed under the stars at the old Agape Amphitheater campfire site? What great memories we have of that place here on these sacred

grounds. Many of our memories are of God's sweet calling on our lives while participating in a campfire service. Bonita Park has recently received a gift of seed money to go along with gifts already received for this project. We hope you will join us in funding a new place for guests to experience these life-changing moments for the next 50 plus years!

Estimated Cost: \$150,000

Received to Date: \$21,150

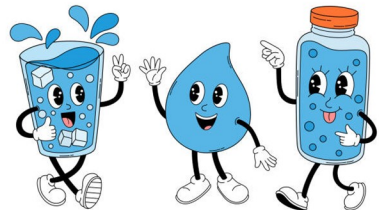
Suggested Donation: \$250 - \$5,000

Commercial RO System for Morris Center

Bonita Park's water is known to be quite harsh. It affects everything from the taste of ice, beverages and foods, to the longevity of machinery such as the ice machine and dishwasher. Bonita Park reminds all guests to drink a lot of water while they are at this elevation. We would like to help that process by purchasing a full kitchen Reverse Osmosis system.

Estimated Cost: \$23,500

Suggested Donation: \$100 - \$5,000



Skilled Labor

While Bonita Park's maintenance department is **AMAZING**, sometimes there are needs for skilled labor on a different level. Licensed electricians, plumbers, large equipment operators, and those skilled in miscellaneous appliance repair are among the camp's greatest needs. If you're skilled in such tasks and would be willing to be called and/or travel to Bonita Park when a need arises, please let us know what your skill sets are and we will call you to check for availability! Even your advice on these matters would be highly valued!



Power Ascender



Bonita Park is in the market for a power ascender device. This device could assist campers who may have only dreamed of climbing the zipline tower! It could also be very useful in the maintenance department.

Estimated Total Cost: \$5,000
Suggested Donation: \$100

Still So Many Water Heaters!

Bonita Park goes through **SO MANY** water heaters, both residential and industrial. This remains a continuous need for staff housing and guest lodging. **There are currently 18 water heaters on campus that are beyond the end of their warranty.** This is a gift that keeps on giving as everyone loves hot water! 😊

Cost per Appliance: \$800 - \$2,000
Suggested Donation: \$100 - \$500



Continuing Need for Mini Splits

If you've ever stayed in Ingram Village in the summer, we don't need to tell you how hot it can get. To make our guests more comfortable, we realize that air conditioning is a necessity in the camp's dorm-style lodging. In addition, Freeman Village A & B heaters are aging out quickly and in desperate need of replacement to ensure our guests have a pleasant, warm stay in the winter. **Bonita Park is actively seeking bids for the electrical upgrade portion of this project!**

Total Cost: \$75,000 - \$100,000

Received to Date: \$71,397

Suggested Donation: \$500 - \$5,000



Golf Cart Batteries

Bonita Park utilizes golf carts as we are able. Besides being very helpful on housekeeping days and to run quick errands for guests, they are just super fun to drive to the mailbox! While the actual carts that we own remain in very good condition, alas, the batteries do not.



Potential Cost per Battery:

\$2,000

Suggested Donation:

\$100 - \$1,000

Bonita Park currently needs
3 batteries to service our
golf carts on hand.



Audio Visual Equipment

Many of our groups utilize our A/V equipment for their services and meetings. In order to meet their needs, we plan to upgrade and/or replace some of our existing equipment throughout the camp's meeting areas.



Estimated Total Cost: \$13,000

NEW Armstrong Tabernacle

Projector: \$10,000

Received on Projector: \$1,000

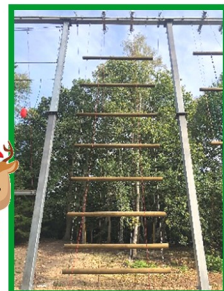
Suggested Donation: \$50 - \$500

New Activity Dreams

The camp is always looking for new ways to engage campers in faith building activities. These activities can be very costly to install. Activities make a huge difference in the lives of campers as they return to their homes and communities.

Estimated Cost: \$10,000

Suggested Donation: \$50 - \$1,000



Miscellaneous Housekeeping

Are there ever enough brooms and mops?

It seems like we are always needing one in a location where there isn't one. The camp currently needs vacuums, mops, brooms, and other cleaning tools. We want to be spiffy for your next visit!



Suggested Donation: \$10 - \$50

Water Tanks

Bonita Park has engaged an engineering firm to begin this process!! While the Camp Board has approved the purchase of tanks that will move the camp forward into the next century, there are several steps required before purchasing the actual tanks. This new storage system is required to ensure that the camp remains in compliance with state regulations as well as to sustain the community and camp infrastructure. The estimated cost below includes, but is not limited to, mandated engineered plans, site testing, storage tanks, updated infrastructure and removal of old tanks. Donors have currently given **\$70,000** to this vitally important project! **THANK YOU!!**

Suggested Donation: \$500 - \$5,000

Estimated Total Cost: **\$250,000**





2024 CATALOG UPDATE

You Made a Difference!

Thank you so much for your generosity! Because of last year's catalog donations, many items were **partially and fully funded**, including the projects pictured.

Commercial Warmer and Mixer



Snack Shack Deck Covering Begins...

Metal roof coming soon!



AND...the dreams of a new amphitheater and water tanks are on the horizon!
THANK YOU!



**Sand Volleyball
Net Update**

Prayer Pond Bricks

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Bricks are a great gift for the person that has everything!

Deadline for brick order is June 1, 2026

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(Your gift is tax deductible to the extent allowed by the IRS.)

Use included envelope to return order form and payment.

Please complete the following information and include with your donation to Bonita Park. *If funds for your selected item(s) have been secured, it is understood that your donation will be gratefully used to fund another catalog item.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____



I would like to donate funds for the following:

Item(s)	Donation Amount
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Please place this form in the envelope provided for you with our sincere and heartfelt thanks. Donations may also be made online at:

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