“I am able to impart truth, health, and happiness, and this is my rock of salvation and my reason for existing.”

- Miscellany (pg.165)
“The universe reflects God. There is but one creator and one creation. This creation consists of the unfolding of spiritual ideas and their identities, which are embraced in the infinite Mind and forever reflected.” (Science & Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy, 502:28)

Looking back on a tremendous 2020, there is no denying that Crystal Lake Camps truly bore witness to and was blessed by this embrace of infinite Mind. In a year filled with so many unexpected challenges, CLC adapted, grew, and learned moment by moment. There is just no way I can reflect on the year without a tear of joy. I am so proud of our year-round staff, seasonal staff, Trustees, and donors and friends like each of you - not to mention our awesome world-wide activity participants. Everyone has taken these challenges and really enabled CLC to turn them into blessings for dozens of individuals. Among the most noteworthy points I look back on:

- **Creating and pivoting to our online program, Virtually CLC**, when it became clear - with only a few weeks’ notice - that in-person youth camp would not be feasible.
- **Instituting the first major steps in our new equity & inclusion training** for staff, with much more to come this year. As one step, you will note nearly everything in this report is being translated into Spanish or German.
- **Investing in a major internet connectivity upgrade** so our online programs can be reliable, and our business operations are done efficiently and harmoniously.
- **Maintaining our international outreach** through program design that allowed for the inclusion of individuals from Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, Colombia, Congo (DRC), Germany, Ghana, India, Mexico, the Philippines, UK, and countless US states. Our staff consistently translated activity instructions and materials into French & Spanish all summer.

We are also excited to share with you soon the results of the strategic planning process we began last summer. It will provide goals, tactics, and strategies to support CLC’s activities in the next five years, as well as for decades to come.

And, of course, the most important component at CLC, as it always will be, is our commitment to running programs that specifically support Christian Scientists in their metaphysical growth. To that end, we are excited to put into action our 2021 metaphysical theme from Science and Health (pg. 258:12-15), “God expresses in man the infinite idea forever developing itself, broadening and rising higher and higher from a boundless basis.” What a great way to build on the growth of 2020! We look forward to hosting you at a camp program soon - whether that is online, or this coming summer when we plan to be open again for all of our on-site programs. And thank you for your support, participation, and loving embrace of Crystal Lake Camps!

Lovingly,

Nathan R. Bowen
Executive Director
You knew plenty of people from your church who had gone to Crystal Lake Camps but you never wanted to go before?

To be honest, for years my mom had tried to convince us, but we were never willing. There were so many barriers: it was far away, it was in a different language, we didn’t have the money. There was a camp show at my church, and they were showing a video but I refused to watch. It was a wall that I put in myself, it was just fear.

While I was sitting there and everyone was watching, God sent this idea to me: “Well let me tell you one thing, even if you are not paying attention, your place is there next summer.” So at the end of the show, when I went up to ask for an application, my mom was very surprised! Later, I told her this is what God told me to do; He said I have to apply for next summer, and she said ‘Well, if he already told you to do that then you have to be obedient.”

¿Así que conocías a mucha gente de tu iglesia que había ido a CLC pero nunca quisiste ir antes?

Para ser honesta, durante años mi mamá había tratado de convencernos, a mí y a mis hermanos, pero nunca estuvimos dispuestos a ir. Había tantas barreras, estaba muy lejos, era un idioma diferente, no teníamos dinero, etc. Hasta que una vez, hubo una presentación del campamento en mi iglesia, y estaban mostrando un video, que me negué a ver. Era una barrera que me había puesto, era sólo miedo.

Mientras estaba sentada por ahí y todo el mundo estaba viendo el video, Dios me envió esta idea: “Bueno, déjame decirte una cosa, aunque no poniendo atención a la presentación, tú ya tienes un lugar ahí el próximo verano”. Así que al final de la presentación, cuando pedí una solicitud para aplicar, ¡mi mamá estaba muy sorprendida! Más tarde, le dije que eso era lo que Dios me había dicho que hiciera; “Dijo que tengo que aplicar para el próximo verano”, y ella me dijo: ‘Bueno, si Él ya te dijo que hicieras eso, entonces tienes que ser obediente”.
What was camp like that first time?

I was very afraid: it was my first time outside the country, first time not traveling with my parents, it was a huge thing! The first days were kind of crazy and hard because of the language, but many people were kind to us and I tried to be talkative with the girls in my cabin. God was always there taking care of me. I remember one day I cried because of all the things, but then at the end of my four weeks I was crying so hard because I didn’t want to leave camp!

I learned a lot of things, I met a lot of people from different countries, the place is such a beautiful place.—it was just like living in a movie.

Después de todo eso, ¿cómo fue el campamento esa primera vez?

Tenía mucho miedo: era la primera vez que estaba fuera de mi país, la primera vez que no viajaba con mis padres, ¡fue algo enorme! Los primeros días fueron un poco difíciles y complicados debido al lenguaje, pero mucha gente era amable con nosotros y traté de ser amigable y platicar lo que más podia con las chicas en mi cabaña. Dios siempre estuvo ahí cuidándome. Recuerdo que un día lloré por todas las cosas nuevas, pero al final de cuatro semanas estaba llorando otra vez, pero ahora porque no quería irme del campamento.
How has camp impacted your work at home?

During the year in Mexico, I work for an organization that supports public school children and I am also a communications coordinator for my region for The Mother Church. Let me tell you, without camp I wouldn’t have been in any of those jobs. Before going to camp I was very afraid of many things, just interacting with the world, with people—now I’m the opposite. Just going to camp opened a huge opportunity for my life to be what I always wanted it to be!

Doing all those activities we do not have anything like that in Mexico at all. To have a chance to do all those things it was like: ‘Wow, Thank you God.’

My dad was afraid, but the day we had to turn in the paperwork, he said yes. He said he didn’t want anything to happen to me but he understood God was taking care of me and that’s why he signed.
¿Cómo ha afectado el campamento tu trabajo en casa?

Durante el año en México, trabajo para una organización que apoya a los niños de las escuelas públicas y también soy Coordinadora de Comunicaciones para México para La Iglesia Madre. Déjame decirte, sin el campamento estaría en ninguno de esos trabajos. Antes de ir al campamento tenía mucho miedo de muchas cosas, simplemente interactuar con el mundo, con la gente, ahora soy lo contrario. Ir al campamento abrió una gran oportunidad para que mi vida fuera lo que siempre quise que fuera!

That morning during Sunday school, I said “OK, but now God, what about the money? I don’t even have clothes, suitcases, documents, paperwork, what am I gonna do?” He said ‘Don’t worry, I have everything for you.’ And after church, some friends visiting offered to help with everything—I was like, “Wow, God!”
My time as a Crystal Lake Camps Trustee has been a growing experience both as a person and a Christian Scientist. It has meant so much to me to see the continuity of a legacy founded by the Alford family, to see all the campers and staff expressing a pure sense of family in a camp experience with a Christian Science-basis. Leaning on camp’s “reflections of Love,” I know the idea of CLC will continue forever, and I feel the deepest gratitude to that Alford legacy.

Durante todo este tiempo como miembro de la mesa directiva del Consejo ha sido una experiencia de crecimiento como persona y como científico cristiano. Ha significado mucho para mí para ver la continuidad de un legado que fue fundado por la familia Alford, para ver en todos los campers y staff expresar un sentido puro de familia en una experiencia de campamento sobre una base Científica Cristiana basada en “reflejar Amor” se que la idea de CLC continuará para siempre. Siento una profunda gratitud por ese legado de la familia Alford.
Message from a Parent

We are very grateful to have been able to participate in the Virtually CLC program this year. We cherish the warmth and love of all involved in the activities. It was so good to participate in the MAP programs, I learned so much and even got some direct fruitage out of it. I love the great ideas. I still treasure the psalm my 9-year-old son wrote and set to music. And we have been praying with it since.

Thank you all for your wonderful work and great dedication.

Christine, Burkhard, Dankward, Konrad, and Fritzi live in Hamburg, Germany. All three children participated in Virtually CLC this past year.


Vielen Dank für euer aller Liebe und Hingabe und die vielen guten Ideen.

The children loved the activities, especially baking, arts and crafts and beat boxing.
### YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

#### PROGRAM DATES

**FIRST SESSION**
- Two Weeks: June 26-July 9
- One Week: July 3-9

**SECOND SESSION**
- Two Weeks: July 10-23

**THIRD SESSION**
- One Week: July 24-30
- Two Weeks: July 24-Aug 6

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING**
- Four Weeks: June 26-July 23

**COUNSELOR IN TRAINING**
- Four Weeks: July 10-Aug 6

#### PROGRAM FEES

- One Week: $1,150
- Two Weeks: $2,150
- Three Weeks: $3,250
- Four Weeks: $4,050
- Five Weeks: $5,100
- Six Weeks: $6,000
- LEADERSHIP TRAINING: $5,000
- COUNSELOR IN TRAINING: $1,800

### ADULT/FAMILY PROGRAMS

#### PROGRAM DATES

**WINTER CAMP**
- Dec. 29-Jan. 1

**SPRING CLEANUP**
- Apr 30-May 2

**DB 20s/30s Event**
- May 21-23

**FIRST SESSION**
- ADULT/FAMILY CAMP
- July 3-9

**SECOND SESSION**
- ADULT/FAMILY CAMP
- Aug 28

**TRAIL RACE**
- Aug 28

**FALL FOR ALL**
- Oct. 8-11

**FALL CLEANUP**
- Oct. 22-24

#### PROGRAM FEES

- Full Week: $225-300*
- Per Night: $90-120*
- Full Week: $400-800*
- Per Night: $80-160*
- Full Week: $400-800*
- Per Night: $80-160*
- 15k: $40
- 5k: $20
- Full Weekend: $150-200*
- Per Night: $60-80*
- $30

*Pricing depends on cabin style and length of stay

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Cost is never a barrier. Whether you have applied for aid in the past or need to now, CLC will continue to make camp possible for every child.
This year has been an unsurprisingly unique one at Crystal Lake Camps, yet has been filled with newness, growth, and flexibility. This past summer, with a small but mighty staff crew of around 20, we conceptualized, developed, and successfully executed a robust virtual program.

We’ve since transitioned this virtual format year-round, and have been so grateful for the continuation of sharing, healing, and learning through our programs. It has been so much fun to connect with campers, adults, and families through Lesson Reading, Sermon on the Mount, Book Club, Metaphysical Activity Periods (MAPs), virtual Winter Camp, baking class, a jointly-led 20s/30s Craft Night with Discovery Bound, and various media platforms. Participants have joined us from all over the world this year - including from Democratic Republic of the Congo, Germany, India, Mexico, the Philippines, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Looking forward to 2021, we plan to expand our outreach with new offerings, including a variety of classes, game nights, international spotlights, and more.

We are so grateful for the divine unfoldment that this year has afforded, as well as the demonstration of the Christ message that “reaches over continent and ocean”* and overcomes any false sense of separation or uncertainty.

*(Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 559:9 reaches (only, to ocean))
### Income

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#### Pie Charts

- **Donations**: 81.3%
- **Tuition**: 7%
- **Outdoor Center**: 2.4%
- **Other**: 9.2%
- **Programming**: 49.8%
- **Outreach**: 10.7%
- **Facilities**: 34%
- **Core Support**: 5.5%
Ways to Help

Donate—give the gift of camp by making a donation or giving your time at a work weekend or event.

Contact ian@crystallakecamps to learn more about ways to donate.

Wish List

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Fun fact: did you know you can donate your used car and the sale proceeds will benefit CLC?

Visit—there’s no better way to support CLC than by visiting camp, and there are so many opportunities all through the year. We hope to see you soon!

Pray—Every activity at camp starts with a metaphysical idea, and we can all follow this example! We welcome your metaphysical support for CLC.
As a camper, family camper, parent of two campers, and former staff member, I’ve seen over and over and over again the many benefits of a CLC experience. Even just a few weeks at CLC gives opportunities to grow in their independence, confidence, and understanding of how to apply Christian Science in practical ways. Our own kids learned valuable outdoor skills, made friends from around the world, and developed as strong, compassionate leaders. We choose to donate to CLC because we recognize the impact it can have on young lives and want to make sure that these opportunities continue to be available for decades to come.”

Sue Bailey

Sue and Chip Bailey with their sons, Jeff and Steve, and daughter-in-law Amy—all CLC alumni!
Long ago I learned of Crystal Lake Camps from a college roommate who expressed much joy, love and enthusiasm regarding her camping experience at CLC. These experiences lead me to assist members of my family to partake of the learning and support CLC camps offered. My current contributions to CLC is an extension of this bond of many years. I look forward to helping young people grow, learn and expand in such a supporting environment.

Beth Bieck

With your help this year we were able to welcome Otis to our herd here at CLC!

We give to CLC because we want every young Christian Scientist to benefit as our children did by being part of the Crystal Lake community. Our kids learned who they are at CLC. They made lasting friendships, met challenges, got acquainted with nature in that beautiful mountaintop setting, learned leadership skills and independence, and had tons of fun. But most importantly, they learned about God and how to live in Love. We will always be so grateful to CLC for providing such opportunities!

Anonymous
Virtually CLC

Virtually CLC in 2021 has expanded from our weekly activities to new sessions every month that include classes and other ways to connect with Christian Scientists from around the world. We are committed to providing a place for our international family to continue to learn and grow in Christian Science.

“CLC Virtual activities are such a good way to connect people from around the world. It helps our campers make friends with people around the world, learn about the culture of the U.S., and also help those from the U.S. to learn about D.R.C. We had such nice teachers, they were so friendly and so welcoming with our campers. I did notice attending CLC is not just about making friends or playing games, but it is also about growing spiritually because every day with the MAP you read one section of the Bible lesson which helps you to uplift your thought and have such a nice guideline for your day.”

Emmanuel Tekila
Democratic Republic of the Congo

“CLC helps us hangout through activities and learn things about God. My favorite activities have been: Basketball, Frisbee, and Arts and Crafts class and music.”

Julia Mfumu Nsualu
Democratic Republic of the Congo
“I am really grateful that we got to be part of Crystal Lake Camps virtual winter camp, and got to know so many wonderful people. I am grateful that we’ll get the chance to meet all of you wonderful people this summer. The activities were really fun and interesting, we enjoyed it to the fullest. The people were really kind, helpful, and cheerful. The staff was really helpful and fun too. I loved it.

Thank you so much for letting us be part of Crystal Lake Camps.”

“I am very happy to participate in the CLC Virtual program and for me it is very interesting because it helps me communicate with different friends around the world and learn new cultures. The most important thing for me in this camp is attending program that helps me acknowledge my real identity as a child of God and that is so helpful.”

DeWitt John Makengo
Democratic Republic of the Cogo

“Hannah had a lovely time! She said it was fun meeting everyone and enjoyed the activities on offer.”

Camper Parent
Surrey, England
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Steve Bailey
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Each giving level is named after one of the storied overnight locations our campers visit each summer. We make every effort to list all names correctly, and appreciate your understanding. If you find an error, please let us know at ian@crystallakecamps.org.
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