Dear friends,

For me, the start of a new calendar year has always been a signal that summer is just around the corner. And that is a joyous feeling (even for someone like me who likes winter!) because summer is when camp takes place, which is why we are all here!

A highlight each year is selecting and sharing our new metaphysical theme. Annually, the theme helps us to support, protect, and grow our programs – both in ways we do, and some we don’t, expect. Often this metaphysical work results in much more meaningful outcomes than we could project! I am especially touched by this year’s theme – it has a purity and peacefulness that really speaks to the heart of all Crystal Lake Camps has to offer – from summer youth programs to our virtual, adult, and family events: Camp is remarkable. It’s a time and place where joy, adventure, and friends come together and allow so much of what is a ‘normal’ day and life to fall to the background.

In this report, you will read some of the reasons campers, staff, and participants love camp; why donors love to contribute, and just what our 2021 impact looked like. You’ll see we are continuing our multiple-year level of achievement in programs and financial stability. And, moving into the next phase of our Strategic Plan, we are embarking on a Master Planning process to ensure the camps’ facilities and property are ready for the next 75 years of programs at Crystal Lake Camps.

It is a fundamental understatement to say we are grateful for you and your participation with us. Whether your connection began as a camper, a parent, a donor, or simply as a friend at church who recommended CLC to another family – we are deeply appreciative of all your love and recognition of what we do.

With so much love and gratitude,

Nathan R. Bowen
Executive Director

2022 Metaphysical Theme

"Thou art near, O LORD; and all thy commandments are truth."

From Psalms 119:151

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Gratitude for a highly successful summer of Youth Camp

“Being so at home here allows for so much spiritual growth. I have learned more about God and myself spiritually than anywhere else.” – A happy camper

“I did many things at camp that I wouldn’t have been able to do if I wasn’t at CLC. The campers, CIT’s, Counselors, and staff are all really nice. I had many healings in just two weeks!” – A new camper

“I am beyond grateful for Crystal Lake Camps. It feels like my second home. I had a healing while I was there this past summer. During World Cup Soccer Day, I slipped on the ball and tripped. Everyone helped and supported me so much. While it was a “physical problem” it made me grow spiritually and I am really grateful!” – A thankful CIT

Gratitude for teamwork with Adventure Unlimited’s DiscoveryBound:

CLC and DiscoveryBound teamed up to host an action-packed camp weekend for adults in their 20s and 30s. It was a joyful event, offering the opportunity to embrace old friends, and to make new connections. Appreciation was shared for the high level of thought and the strong feeling of family throughout the weekend.

Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of CLC Campers from Mexico

“We are grateful as a family for the great opportunities of God manifested in this beautiful idea of Crystal Lake Camps, through which God has not only blessed us as a family, but as a community. We have found God in everything and everyone, thank you so much and for this valuable seed planted in the kids that brings great fruits to thousands and thousands. Thank you! “What blesses one blesses everyone.” – A grateful CLC family in Mexico

(Translated from Spanish)

Adult Programs and Family Camp:

“I got to know CLC through the various workshops and events held online via Zoom while sheltering-in-place. I so enjoyed reading the Bible Lesson, Sermon on the Mount, and Book Club. All these wonderfully curated programs were very uplifting and supportive during a challenging time.

The natural beauty of the camp is breathtaking, complete with a magnificent lake, which is luminous all day as well as at night. I felt the love and spiritual support the moment I arrived. It is a truly a unique place for Christian Scientists. It was spiritually elevating to be in this loving environment. I attended the Family Camp session on my own and always felt included in every activity and event. There was a sense of a true family there. All the activities began with thoughtful metaphysical prayers and discussions. The counselors and staff were thoughtful and patient with each participant. They looked beyond our human limitations and encouraged us to go beyond our expectations both physically and creatively.” – An Adult/Family Camper

Crystal Lake Ski and Outdoor Center

2021 was the most active ski season in recent memory complete with three busy ski weekends and almost 1,000 guests in January and February. We are grateful that we could provide a much-needed opportunity for our visitors to enjoy the outdoors, get inspired, and have fun.
**2020-21 FINANCIAL REPORT**
Fiscal Year October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021

**Income**
- Tuition: $92,000
- Donations: $1,091,810
- Outdoor Center: $45,800
- Total Income: $1,229,610

**Expenses**
- Program Costs: $298,870
- Core Support: $419,815
- Facilities: $185,540
- Outreach: $63,885
- Total Expenses: $968,110

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

CLC is grateful to our alumni and global family of friends for all the ways they support camp!

Visit, Connect, Share, & Engage:
- Visit camp with your family and friends
- Participate in adult and family programs year round
- Attend Virtually CLC programs (See crystallakecamps.org for schedule)
- Keep CLC updated with new contact information so we can all stay in touch!

Give:
- Volunteer at camp
- Host a Camp Show in your area
- Support camp financially

Pray!
Your metaphysical support for the ongoing fulfillment of the vision and mission of Crystal Lake Camps is always warmly welcome! Thank you!

286 GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICHES EATEN
12 COUNTRIES REACHED BY CLC PROGRAMS
Describe your earliest and/or favorite CLC memory:
Raising my family in the same small town where I grew up meant that my children attended a CS Sunday School in which most of the other students and teachers were relatives. That’s why I was ecstatic about them attending CLC – so they could witness that Christian Science is a global movement and not just their family’s religion! At CLC, they met and befriended young Christian Scientists from around the world which was inspiring on, oh, so many levels.

Why do you support CLC? Why is CLC important to you?
Having witnessed firsthand the positive changes and spiritual growth that occur in a child after experiencing a session at CLC, I can’t imagine a more important cause to support. In my opinion, investing in organizations that inspire young Christian Scientists is the best way to support our movement’s future -- and no organization does that better than CLC.

How would you finish this sentence: “Because of CLC …”
Because of CLC, young Christian Scientists from around the world learn to put their trust in God on a daily basis, while learning new skills and conquering fears. The physical and emotional challenges of camp coupled with the loving, daily focus on metaphysics creates an unparalleled spiritually uplifting experience. I can’t think of an environment that better prepares young Christian Scientists for a lifetime of depending on God as their source of health and happiness. And, personally, I can’t think of a greater gift for any child.

How would you describe/explain what makes CLC special to people who’ve never heard of it?
Growing up, I attended a popular non-Christian Science camp which I found to be a great experience. However, witnessing the loving embraces (and sad faces) as my children bid farewell to their newfound CLC friends and beloved counselors, I realized that CLC was something infinitely more special. At CLC, Love simply permeates every interaction, conversation, and activity. Aside from learning new skills and challenging themselves, the campers are enveloped in the constant, loving, spiritual embrace of their camp family -- and, boy oh boy, it IS a family!
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