

Child Evangelism Fellowship® of Maine, INC.
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Greetings In Christ from Camp Good News®,

I don't know why writing an E-letter seems so difficult to me. Maybe it's just because I know it's going into a computer and then out into cyber-space, wherever that is. One of these days I may get interested and log on to "spacebook" or "myface" ☺ but I don't think so.

We had a great summer at *Camp Good News*, in which many of you receiving this letter participated in. Thank you for serving, giving or praying, maybe all of these. Your efforts really did make a difference in the lives of campers. Nearly 700 children and teens attended camp this summer. As far as we know, 71 of those campers trusted Christ as their Savior.

We were fully staffed with 332 volunteers, who did an excellent job of ministering to kids and teens. You might be interested to know that 240 of those volunteers were returning staff; 92 were first time staff; 125 were teens, and 64 came from out of state. I am thankful for God's people who have a love for children, a commitment to serve Christ and a willingness to give of their time, effort and resources to minister at *Camp Good News*.

One senior counselor wrote me after camp was over: "I was stretched having the responsibilities of being a senior counselor. . . But I would like to thank you so much for encouraging me to take on that challenge. . . I don't regret it one bit! . . . counselor chats were my favorite part. . . Just getting to know those precious boys a little better, and the difficult lives they suffer at only 10-11 years old. . . two of the boys fathers are in prison, and only two of the boys fathers were at home."

Some of those boys received the Lord Jesus during their week at *Camp Good News*. I am thankful for God's rich blessing upon the ministry that goes on here at this special place.

Now that summer camp is over we are busy preparing for our Good News Club® ministry, traveling to churches for missions conferences and training sessions, getting part of camp closed up for the winter, and getting ready for a full fall and winter ministry right here at *Camp Good News*. For me the days and weeks are full of travel throughout Maine and beyond.

One of the great joys of traveling is seeing campers and staff in their own homes and churches. Last week I was at Hermon Baptist for their missions conference. Ten adults from that church served with us this summer as volunteers, and a large number of campers came from that church. Not only was it a great blessing to see them again, but what an encouragement to hear of their love for camp, and to see their enthusiasm for all the God does here on the grounds.

Please remember to keep us in prayer, particularly that God would grant a fruitful fall ministry, and that He would meet our financial needs.

God bless you and keep you in His care. I will try to write again in a month or so.

In Christ,
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