



CAMP NORTHFIELD

"Be still and know that I am God." -Ps 46:10

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ and Friends of Camp Northfield,

We are rejoicing in the Lord for another great year of Camp. He brought staff and campers together and accomplished once again His mighty miracles of salvation in hearts through His Word. Thank you for your prayers and labors for this ministry and for the campers you entrusted to us this past year. Camp Northfield is a ministry of the churches and believers of New England for the souls of young and old in need of the gospel's good news. We are privileged to serve the Lord with you in this way.

We are writing to let you know of an important financial need as we enter our offseason. As you can imagine, the cash flow of our ministry is very seasonal, and the winter months lay before us with fewer opportunities for ministry revenue. We are hoping to offset a shortfall we are anticipating and asking for your help as the Lord leads. In addition to seasonality, three other factors have put pressure on Camp's finances this year.

The first is actually a wonderful cause for thanksgiving. The Lord gave us a pool through the generous donations of many who love Camp. We were challenged together to raise \$70,000 for the pool, and in record time we saw it installed and paid for. One of the consequences of this designated giving, however, is that our records show that some giving may have been directed to the pool project, which historically had been counted on as part of our general fund needs.

The second factor is a burden all of our ministries have faced over the last year. Inflation has put upward price pressure on many of the operational costs the camp incurs. Although we rejoiced to see more campers, the costs of utilities, supplies, and food all rose faster than our camper attendance in 2022. We were determined to avoid an increase of our registration costs going into this seasons, praying that keeping the prices low would encourage an increase in numbers as our nation continued to recover from the pandemic. Many did come, and we praise the Lord for each one. But we have learned that our pricing going forward may need to be increased to meet our financial needs.

The third, and perhaps most impactful cause, is a drop in our monthly church support. Camp's main source of support is through the faithful giving of local churches. Camp is supported by these churches just as they support other missionaries throughout the world. Several churches have lessened their support considerably or dropped support all-together as they have also felt the effects of a hurting economy.

Camp is currently in need of an additional \$4,000 each month to cover our monthly expenditures of \$6,000. We are seeking to increase our monthly church and individual support to meet this need and to keep registration costs as low as possible. The Lord has provided in various ways over the last few years, and Camp has remained debt free, by His grace.

We hope we have been helpful as we bring this need to your attention. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact our Treasurer, Pastor Kevin Hobi. His email address is pastorkevinhobi@gmail.com and his phone number is 603-769-9999. Again, thank you for your prayerful consideration of this need as the Lord leads.

Our Dollars-a-Month program is an easy way for our supporters to be a blessing to Camp. Through this [link](#), you can sign up for a donation amount of your choice to be automatically charged to your card each month. Remember that all donations to Camp Northfield are tax deductible and we will provide a receipt at the end of the year for each donation. A dear friend of Camp Northfield has made a generous pledge to match any new monthly commitments made over the next two months with a one-time donation of up to \$5,000.

In Christ,

Dan Benton, Chairman, for the Board of Directors