

Big Sandy camp

November 2023

Dear friends of Big Sandy Camp,

We appreciate the generosity of people like you that support the ministry of Big Sandy Camp. Our Lord continues providing for the needs of the ministry along with guests utilizing the facilities throughout the year.



Touching Hearts and Changing Lives

Thank you for your prayers over this past summer and our staff! God showed up! There were many moments where we had a need and God provided. He is faithful and He provided down to the last nurse for Sr. High camp week.

We had numerous conversations about going deeper with Jesus, 25 first time “Yes” decisions to follow Jesus, over 100 rededications to go deeper in their faith journey, and several students that said they were not interested in Jesus at all until they came to camp. Now they are thinking about what it would look like to say “Yes” to Jesus, because “until I came to camp, I did not like Jesus or religion, but here and with you all, there is something different and maybe Jesus isn’t what I thought. You all got me thinking!” Pray for these kids that haven’t said “Yes” to Jesus but seeds were sown this summer.

We praise God for what He did at Big Sandy Camp! Your prayers matter! Thank you for your investment in camp and letting God use you for great kingdom impact.



A Personal Note on How God is Touching My Heart and Changing My Life

In late November 2022, I was diagnosed with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia. I have been taking an immunotherapy drug since December 2022 and am doing extremely well with my progress towards remission. I rejoice with my regular visits to the doctors on the changes – always giving the Lord glory, honor, and praise for His healing power. Thanks to so many of you for your prayers and encouraging notes during this journey with cancer.

PROJECT UPDATES from 2022

Last year we asked for support for our kitchen exhaust hood. Our original estimates were very short of the real costs. The Minnesota Department of Health inspector is granting us continued use of the kitchen if we continue our efforts to raise the funds towards this expense. We need **\$135,000** to get this project underway. We appreciate you considering the support of this project.

THANK YOU

for your support of



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Enhancing Trust

PADDLE 365

Big Sandy Camp desires to provide an environment free of distractions so that the Lord can do His work in the lives of individuals that are attending camps and retreats. One distraction can be the breakdown of our equipment, for example, a hot water heater.

We have started “PADDLE 365” as a “donor’s club” to support the ongoing ministry of the Camp. The purpose of this donor club is to provide a way for a donor to participate on a regular basis to support the ministry. The funds raised through PADDLE 365 will help the Camp with ongoing building repairs and maintenance so that we can provide a clean, quality, and safe environment for our guests.

We ask that a donor give a minimum of \$1 per day for 365 days. Additional donations on a regular basis are welcomed.

We are praying for **365 people** to join to make one person a day, so each day of the year is covered by a donor. The Camp will pray for the donor on the date of their choice during the year. Donors can request up to three different dates (see link below) in order of their preference. The Camp will schedule one prayer date, selected from the donor’s dates. We will send the donor a Camp update on a quarterly basis.

Donations can be made through our online donation site by contributing weekly, monthly, and/or a onetime gift. We will accept donations via a check and sent to our address at 52511 185th Pl, McGregor MN 55760.

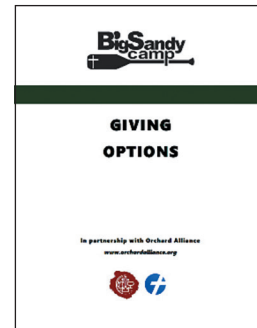
Sign up via our **PADDLE 365 form** –

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/81000a4bb9ac4720a9d1275011d2cb9e>

Then, you can make an online donation via https://tithely.com/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/817757 or send us a check. If you have any questions, please contact Doug at [\(218\) 460-7959](tel:2184607959) or paddle365@bigsandycamp.org

Giving Options Guide

In partnership with Orchard Alliance, we have a “Giving Options” guide available on our website www.bigsandycamp.org/support that give some ideas of how you can make a gift to Big Sandy Camp. For example, we have received multiple gifts during 2023 from donors that gave from their individual retirement account (IRA). We are happy to connect with you if you have questions related to this guide. Call us at (218) 460-7959 or email doug@bigsandycamp.org.



We Value Your Support

Your support of the ministry of Big Sandy Camp will help us fund and move the ministry forward. Thank you for considering these opportunities as you look at giving here at the end of 2023.

Sincerely,

Doug Parkinson

Doug Parkinson
Executive Director

Yes! I want to give to Big Sandy Camp

Enclosed is my gift of:

\$1,000 \$500 \$100 \$50 Other _____

____ Kitchen Hood ____ Paddle 365 ____ Other

Please make checks payable to Big Sandy Camp

Visa Master Card Discover

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Name (on card) _____ Signature _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Secure donations can be made Online at <https://www.bigsandycamp.org/support/giving/>

I wish to remain anonymous My gift is in honor/memory of:

Names _____ Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone _____ Email _____

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