

THREE TESTIMONIES

Dear Camp Friends,

Former District Superintendent Dr. Ron Kratzer attended *No Greater Love* during the Easter Season and picked up a promotion for a baptismal service that was taking place at Nampa First on Easter Sunday. In the brochure were the testimonies of 14 individuals that were being baptized. Let me share the testimonies of three of those:

Pierce Gismondi: *I placed a stake in the garden at Genesis Camp last year to remember accepting Jesus in my heart. I want to be baptized because I want to be able to show people I follow God.*

Ethan Lee: *Camp was super fun and really happy for me because me and my friend, Pierce, put a stake in the garden together, next to a pine cone and a tree. We wanted to remember that God loves us all the time. I want to be baptized because I want to show God I'm a true believer.*

Brooklynn Page: *I accepted Jesus last year at church camp at Trinity Pines. The reason I want to be baptized now is to show everyone I have complete faith in Jesus. Baptism means I am showing others I choose to live my life for Jesus.*

These testimonies reflect the impact of summer camp on the lives of children. This story could be reported by children, teens, and adults across our Intermountain District who have had an experience with Jesus at a camp or retreat. Each person reading this Camp Monthly has played a role in these lives. You have sacrificed, invested, prayed, and planned for an impact of the Kingdom through Trinity Pines. The testimonies shared by these children are the paychecks for your investment. Easter 2018 was special for these three, along with many others across our district family, that celebrated their personal resurrection of new life in Christ. Thanks for helping to impact the lives of people through Trinity Pines.

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Intermountain District Men's Retreat
April 13-15
April 17-20
Pinhurst Quilt Club
April 19-22
The Experience Women's Retreat
April 20-22
Canyon Hill Nazarene Ladies Retreat
April 22-24
Calvary Chapel Ontario Pastor's Team Retreat
April 27-28
Ustick Road Nazarene Board Retreat
April 30 - May 3
Horseshoe Bend Elementary Field Trip
May 8-11
Quilts of Valor Retreat
DUO Group
May 11-12
SDMI Children's Pastor Retreat
May 17-19
Trail Wind Elementary Field Trip
May 21-24
Intermountain District Work Week
May 24-28
St. Luke's McCall Admin. Ropes Course
May 30

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

APRIL 2018

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY: We hope you will be at District Assembly later this month. Trinity Pines will be reporting on Thursday afternoon. Directors of the camps will be introduced and camp-specific prayer cards will be distributed. This is your opportunity to pray for the director, campers, and a specific week of camp at Trinity Pines. We look forward to having you stop by the Trinity Pines booth to secure materials and information related to your District Camp.

SUMMER STAFF: Applications are still available online for college students interested in working at Trinity Pines for the summer of 2018. Our goal is to hire a minimum of eight college students for work in the kitchen, housekeeping, programs, etc. If interested, visit the website at www.tpines.org. Applicants must be a graduate from high school.

CAMP MEETING

Start talking up District Camp Meeting at Trinity Pines, August 10-12, 2018! Speakers for the weekend will be Dr. Bob Broadbooks and Dr. Fred Fullerton. Superintendent Scott Shaw and his wife, Vicki, have a great weekend planned for all ages with a theme of "Rooted in Christ." There will be lots of fun, free time, fellowship, good food, excellent music, and powerful preaching. Your life will not be the same when you experience the District Family coming together for this weekend. Registration materials will be available at District Assembly.

2018 SUMMER CAMPS

Early Bird registration deadline was April 16. If you missed it, we still encourage you to register campers! Prices go up within two weeks of each camp, so having campers pre-registered is important! It also helps the check-in process and guarantees enough materials for each camper.

Dates, rates, camp themes, and online registration is ALL AVAILABLE NOW at www.tpines.org/summer-camps!

THANKS FOR SERVING: Thanks for years of service to Sara Winkelman, Fill My Cup Ministries; Brian Bowman, Harney County; and John Schaffer, retired from Council Nazarene. These three have served faithfully for the past few years on the District Camps Board and have decided not to seek another two-year term. We are considering replacement names at this time. The Camps Board has a total of ten members, four of which must be pastors or associates from the District.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE: We had a wonderful service on Easter Sunday at Trinity Pines. There were a total of 161 in attendance!

BUS TRANSPORTATION

Camps Board is facilitating transportation for summer camps from the Treasure Valley to Cascade. Roundtrip is \$30.00 per camper. More details will be forthcoming. The registration for the bus will be handled through the Meridian Office. Pick-up and drop-off times and locations will be provided to those using this service. The campers, suitcases, bedding, etc. will be transported by a professional company. We see this as a great opportunity for many campers who have not had transportation to and from camp. This service is being made available for camps 4th grade and above.

150 CLUB: This club's fund provides full support for a camper not affiliated with a Nazarene church to attend one of the District Summer Camps. The 150 Club program is not available to campers attending Genesis Camp. Please see the enclosed flyer for details related to the program.

LOGGING: Trinity Pines is very concerned about maintaining a healthy forest. Therefore, the board is looking for a contractor to do some light logging on the property to remove any damaged or dead trees from the forest. We know this brings some disturbance to the soil and grounds, but the overall goal is to maintain a strong and healthy forest.

IT'S SCHEDULED: Grab your weekly planner and mark the date Thursday, November 29 for the 12th Annual Share the Dream. This is your opportunity to learn more about the camp, be inspired, meet the people, and experience the momentum of the future for Christian camping on the Intermountain District. The event will start at 6:00pm at Valley Shepherd Nazarene Church and will include a dessert fellowship.

SUSTAINABILITY: Future planning is vitally important. Each year, there is an increase in our investment. The Camp Sustainability Committee is a vital part of Trinity Pines' future. Chairman of the committee is Brian Higgens (Kuna), and members of the committee include Randy Peterman and David Slonaker (Eagle), Terry Martin (Tree City), Gerron Gibson, Kyra Gibson, and Rick Waitley (Valley Shepherd), Scott Shaw (District Superintendent), and Jim Franklin (Bethel). Pray for this committee as they work through many different aspects of the camp operation and camp's future.

MAY 17: Please be in prayer for May 17. That is the date we hear if our application for Phase II of the Conference Center has been approved by the Murdock Foundation. Thanks to those who have provided information to support the grant. We covet your prayers for this important project.