

Dear Friends of Camp Douglas,

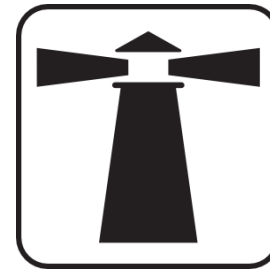
God is generous and steadfast! We see this truth every day at Camp Douglas. Through the work and giving of faithful people and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, God provides children and youth with meaningful experiences at Christian camps all over the world. Here is just one small illustration of God's love at work:

It's the first campfire of a new week, the children are anticipating the fun to come and anxious about a long first night away from home. They scramble to find a seat around a bright flaming fire and we begin to sing. "He's my rock, my sword, my shield". Jesus Christ is our all-in-all! We sing slowly, learning the actions and words as we go. The singing over and again gets faster and faster and faster until our actions and words are a blur. The excitement builds, the children laugh, the leaders sing as though this is the first time they've led this years-old favourite; the sheer joy of being together in worship around the fire, under the trees, with the ocean breeze cooling our warm cheeks ... we are overcome with the peace of Christ in this boisterous, beautiful moment. And what do two shy, nervous nine year old boys do in the midst of this? Turning face to face, thrilled, one says to the other, "this is SO AWESOME, I'm coming back to this camp next year!" On his first night away from home, a young boy new to camp has already planned to return. Why? Because the love God has for each one of us is shared sincerely and generously at camp. Because Jesus' teaches us to honour the least among us and at camp this happens. Thank You Gracious and Faithful God!

May Christ's peace with you this fall,

The Rev. Rebecca

Simpson, Director



The Beacon

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In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ~ Mt 5:16

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