

Friends and Supporters of Old Boney Mountain Foundation for Kids,

God is at work in powerful ways. There seems to be a movement right now calling youth to go deeper in their faith and to live differently than culture and what they see on social media and the news. It is awesome! Once again, thank you so much for your financial support and sending students to 2024 Forest Home Summer Camp July 7-12th! Your kindness allowed for 12 students to participate and have an amazing experience who would not have otherwise. The opportunity also allowed for the entire group of 51 middle and high school campers and leaders to have a more meaningful time. It was fun and life-changing. Our prayer was that students would draw closer to God and one another. That prayer was answered. Here is some of what was felt in their own words:

- "I learned how much compassion God has for us no matter how separated we get from him, and how He always welcomes us back with open arms. I want to thank everyone for all their hard work to make this happen! Thank you for looking out for all of us and allowing us to take this trip!"
- "My camp experience was just amazing. I met so many amazing people and was able to open my mind to new ways to attack challenges using God's lessons. The memory that sticks out the most to me has to be when it was just the boys' cabin and we all opened up and told stories. I was able to hear how a lot of my buddies have gone through some of the same stuff as me even though I never knew it, this helped me in realizing I'm not alone with all my struggles."
- "At worship night I felt God was working through me and all my friends. I may live differently now knowing more about how accepting God will always be and how forgiving he is. I would just like to share all of the memories I made there and everything I've experienced with my friends and family who weren't there. Thank you for making my experience so loving and fun I really enjoyed it!"
- "This week was such an amazing experience and I feel like it truly brought me closer to God. I'm so blessed and thankful to have been able to go on such an amazing trip. This week changed my life and really helped me take a big step in my faith. Thank you so much for making this trip happen."

We had many students commit their lives to Christ. Many experienced healing and connections to new friends. Some want to be baptized or commit to helping serve with younger children. We had students go to camp for the first time and now are wanting to connect in small group bible studies. And so, to all those through Old Boney Foundation who helped make this possible, thank you for your partnership once again and kindness in supporting youth in our community. I am hopeful for excited for the fruit yet to come.



By God's grace and love,

-Matt Elam

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