

BACK TO THE FUTURE

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S HEART

Dear New Horizons Family -

As we embark on this year of celebration, I am overwhelmed with gratitude to God for our New Horizons Family. To our volunteers, friends, campers and supporters - this ministry exists because of your commitment to the work God has given us to do.

I am encouraged to know that the same God who inspired a group of young people to start this ministry 50 years ago is STILL SPEAKING into the hearts and lives of those who have committed their lives to continue the expansion of New Horizons Ministries, Inc. To know that today we have former campers serving in every area of the ministry, speaks to the longevity of this ministry. To have new staff and campers each year, propels my heart to believe God in even greater ways for the future of this ministry....

This year, I pray you will be able to join us in person as we celebrate the God who began a good work in us and is more than able to continue to carry us into the future He has designed for us.

With Love, Ruth-Ann



MY CAMP EXPERIENCE 2025

Camp means fun for me because I get to enjoy time away from home and do things that I don't always get to do every day. It is a place where I can laugh, play, and just be myself. Being at camp makes me happy because I feel free to relax and enjoy the activities.

What I liked most about camp was being with the boys, especially hanging out with Christian and Jason. We played around, had fun, and made a lot of good memories together. Even though I didn't make new friends this year, I was glad to be with my old friends. I really hope I can see them again next year because spending time with them was one of the best parts of camp.

Camp has helped me spiritually because I learned to pray more. I don't just pray for myself, but I also pray for others, especially when they are sick or going through something hard. Camp reminded me that God listens to our prayers, and that makes me want to keep talking to Him. Praying at camp made me feel closer to God and more thankful for the people in my life.



BRYCE JAMES

GREYSON HICKS



New Horizons summer camp is fun and amazing. We have fun activities and cool guest speakers. All the counselors want you to have a good time. Camp is a great place to give your heart to God. I like that I get the opportunity to hang out with my friends from church, meet new people and build friendships.

This summer I learned that God's love for you is solid and will never break. I know I can always depend on Jesus. The scripture verses at camp connect to the theme for the year. Our counselors want us to learn the scripture verses so we can remember them to help us build our relationship with God. When you are in trouble or need to pray, the scripture verses can help you.

I recommend kids come to camp to learn about Jesus and have lots of fun.

MY CAMP EXPERIENCE 2025

New Horizons, Then and Now

Barbara Monk Founding Summer Camp Board Member

New Horizon's Summer Camp. Wow! Just the name stimulates excitement: A new dawn, a new perspective, a new life, a new beginning. It also brings back fond memories of former summers spent at New Horizons Camp and Week-end Retreats.

From the inception of New Horizons, I was privileged to be a part of this ministry. First participating as a camper at the week-end retreats, then serving as Craft Director and lastly Camp Director for the summer camp program. Every year there was an exciting overall theme for the two-week camp program, and a special activity theme for each day. Delicious homemade meals were prepared daily, gifted camp speakers blessed the children, and counselors who were prayed over long and hard before they were asked to serve. God blessed the ministry in ways we could have never expected. But the Summer Camp was always for children only. Camp was an opportunity for them to get out of the city and enjoy the outdoors, and to make new friends with young people from other churches, and backgrounds. But most of all, it opened the door for children, who did not attend Sunday School or church, to be exposed to the gospel. Over the years, many of these young people have given their hearts to Christ and have made commitments to fully serve the Lord.

It has been over a decade now since I last served at a New Horizons Camp. However, this year I was invited to return to camp as one of the guest speakers for their Senior's Summer Camp program. Yes, you read that correctly. New Horizons Women's Senior's Camp. The Senior's camp ran in tandem with the Children's Summer program, both for only one week. Like the children's camp, from years ago, there was an overall theme, and a daily tee shirt theme. Exciting activities, gifted speakers, and delicious meals prepared daily by an exceptional chef who kindly even catered to my special dietary needs. God's hand was all over this camp program. Much about this camp was the same as former years, but in many ways, it has improved, while still building on the foundation established by the Founder and first Camp Director, Ray Wynter.

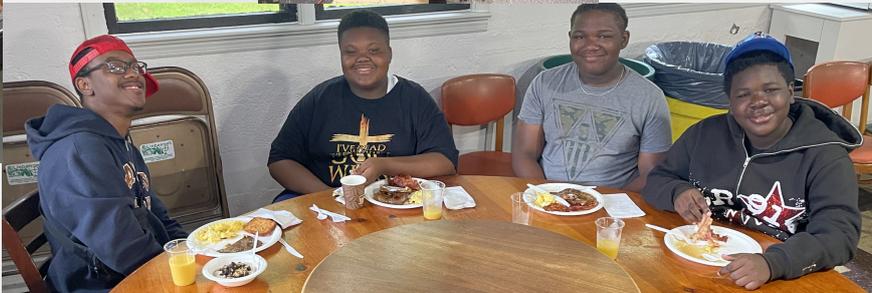
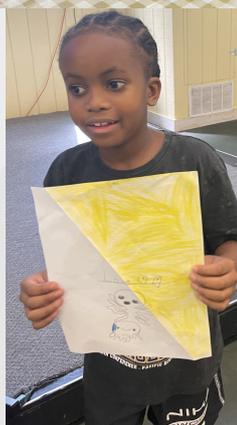
While the Senior's program ran simultaneously with the children's program, there were times in which the two programs merged; for example: on the field trip to Dorney Park, the evening chapel services, the campfire, and the banquet. If Ray Wynter was privileged to observe the camp, I am sure he would be pleased to know that his legacy not only continues but is thriving.

I was especially blessed by the quality of the Counseling Staff, and special activity personnel. Their commitment to the campers of all ages, and level of spiritual maturity was obvious. They worked in tandem with each other, but never stepping out of their designated area of responsibility unless invited. Counselors were up late at night with their dorms, but always made it to their 6:30 a.m. meeting, with the camp director, to discuss camp issues, and the activities of the day. This was followed by a devotion and prayer with the current Camp Director, Ruth-Ann Wynter.

I admit, I was initially disappointed over the fact that camp was only one week. I well-remembered the number of young people who gave their hearts to Christ during that second week of camp. However, God reminded me that there is no limit to what the Spirit of God can do. One week, or one hour he can break down stony hearts, and create hearts of flesh. This was obvious during my time at camp this year.

This coming summer - 2026, why not give New Horizons Senior's Summer Camp a try and bring your children along for the Children's camp. You won't be disappointed.





A LEGACY OF FAITH: HOW MY EXPERIENCE AT NEW HORIZONS CHRISTIAN BIBLE CAMP SHAPED ME – AND WHY I SENT MY SON YEARS LATER

TIFFANY WASHINGTON

Growing up, one of the most formative experiences of my childhood was attending Christian Bible camp. It was more than just a summer getaway; it was a place where faith came alive, friendships grew quickly and deeply, and the world felt full of possibility. Looking back, I can see how those days shaped my character, strengthened my relationship with God, and gave me the confidence to face life with a sense of purpose. Years later, when the time came to consider summer plans for my own son, the decision to send him to the same kind of camp felt natural – almost like continuing a family legacy.

What made Bible camp so special for me was the sense of belonging. Surrounded by peers who shared my faith, I felt safe to ask questions, explore my beliefs, and build connections that have lasted well into adulthood. The counselors were not just supervisors; they were mentors who showed us, through their actions, what it meant to live with compassion, humility, and joy. Their guidance helped me understand that faith wasn't just something read in Scripture, but something lived out daily.

I also remember the atmosphere of camp – the early-morning worship songs drifting over the field, the laughter during cabin devotions, and the quiet moments by the lake where I felt closer to God than anywhere else. Those were the moments that taught me the importance of reflection, gratitude, and listening for God's voice in both stillness and chaos. They helped build a spiritual foundation that stayed with me long after the campfires went out.

So, when my son became old enough, I wanted him to experience what I had: a place where he could grow in faith, build lasting friendships, and discover more about who he is and who God created him to be. In a world that can be fast-paced and distracting, I hoped camp would give him a chance to slow down, disconnect from screens, and reconnect with the simple, joyful parts of childhood. I wanted him to feel that same sense of acceptance and encouragement that had meant so much to me.

Watching him come home from camp – tired, sun-kissed, and full of stories, confirmed that I had made the right choice. He returned with a stronger sense of faith, a newfound confidence in himself, and memories he'll carry for a lifetime. Seeing him experience the same joy I once did, felt like a gift, a reminder that the values we pass down can continue to grow in the next generation.

Christian Bible camp was a blessing in my life, and sharing that blessing with my son has been one of my greatest joys. It connected us not only to each other but also to a larger tradition of faith, community, and love – something I hope he will one day pass on to his own children.

MY CAMP EXPERIENCE 2025

My experience at camp was amazing because it allowed me to grow closer to God and strengthen my relationship with Him. Every day was filled with meaningful conversations and provided opportunities for us to have fun. Being surrounded by people who shared similar values and goals, made it easier for me to open up more about my faith and spiritual journey.



Another reason I enjoyed being at camp each year was the friendships that I made during the week. Everyone came with open hearts, and by the end of the week, it felt like we had become one big family. We laughed, we sang, danced, and shared stories late into the night, which are memories I will never forget. I also grew closer to God through personal and spiritual guidance from some of the staff. They shared with me ways I can strengthen my relationship with Christ. One of those ways was ensuring I have a daily quiet time with Him and reading my Bible. They also made it fun at the same time and allowed us to experience that being a Christian can be fun.

Another one of my favorite parts of camp were the campfires. I enjoyed when we had the campfire because, not only would we all not just hear the word, we would also roast and eat marshmallows. There was something so pure and comforting about being around people who accepted me just as I am and encouraged me to be my best self.

Most of all, New Horizons camp changed the way I see life. It reminded me how beautiful it is to slow down, appreciate God's creation, and focus on what truly matters - love, kindness, and faith. I left camp feeling renewed, inspired, and filled with gratitude. It was more than just a fun trip; it was a life-changing experience that strengthened my spirit and left a lasting mark on my heart. I would encourage others to join New Horizons as they grow closer to God.

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