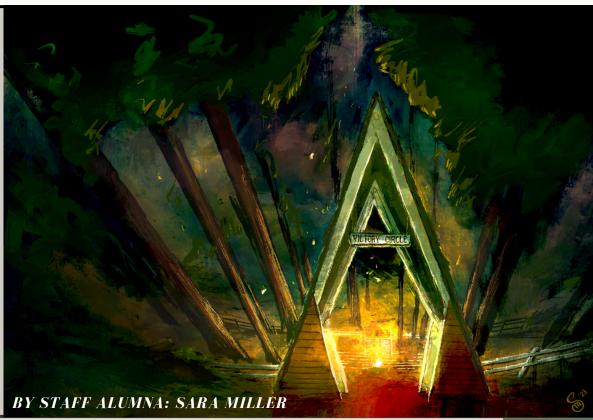


GILEAD GAZETTE



My Kind of Place
DAVE LUNSFORD

Camp Gilead was my kind of place from the first time I stepped my 11-year-old foot on the campus. I was introduced to it when my dad became the pastor in one of the churches of a group that rented it for two weeks each year from Tabernacle Baptist Church. When I was a little older, I was able to attend one week and do "KP" (kitchen patrol) for a week. Spending TWO weeks at my favorite place each summer was definitely the highlight of my year!

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Cover Details



I could never have imagined how significant Gilead would be throughout my life... now 55 years later! As a youth pastor I drove LOTS of kids to camp in our church bus and I came with my teens to their week and counseled a cabin full of boys. Due to ministry location changes, I missed a few summers, but eventually was able to return. While I served on the leadership board, my teenage children were picking up where I left off, working in many capacities over several summers. Now my grandchildren attend each summer, one of my daughters does much of the promotional photography, I have spoken at various events, done staff training, and the list goes on.

As a young boy camp was FUN... and it still is, but now I realize what a great tool that fun is. Coupling extremely fun activities with intense ministry is a combination that has made Gilead very productive for the Lord's work over the decades. I remember a junior high girl, who in today's terms would be considered "at risk," standing up in church and reciting a chapter of the Bible she memorized at camp. I remember hearing that kids accepted Christ and many coming home to ask for baptism...including my own children.

In my last pastorate we came to view Camp Gilead like a department of our church. We sent lots of kids and we had camp reports each Sunday of the summer and the kids actually remembered real spiritual lessons they learned! One of the great blessings was seeing our teens and college age youth serving in the ministry. Several of them began at the entry level in high school and progressed through a series of jobs learning to serve the Lord along the way. One of them is now the youth pastor at FBC Ferndale.

Camp Gilead continues to be my kind of place because it stands strong for the faith we share and is unwavering in its desire to make more disciples and see them grow in Christ. In this era of entertainment-driven "ministry," it is laser focused on accomplishing God's work in His way through His Word. I'm happy to be able to partner with them as we serve the Lord together.



Dave Lunsford



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by Carly Hall

COVER: VICTORY CIRCLE

Staff Alumna Sara Miller created this digital painting of the Victory Circle.

Check out the perspective!





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- 4 Women's & Men's Retreats
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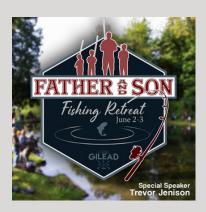
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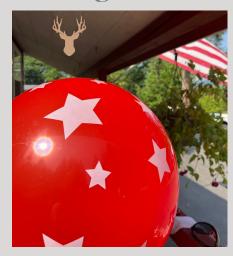
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School & Church Visits



One of my favorite things
about visiting different
churches the past few months,
is being able to better see and
appreciate how big the family
of God is. Despite our
differences, we all have the
same goal in mind and march
under the same banner of God's
Kingdom. It was great finding
that we have friends and
support from so many
directions.

Carly Hall
Intern

It was such a joy to share about Camp Gilead at various schools and churches! I was encouraged by seeing old friends and being introduced to many who support Gilead. It was a fun challenge to discuss what it looks like to be a camper or staff member. I saw new ways how Camp Gilead seeks to support the church, and I already look forward to sharing next year!

Elizabeth Anderson Program Assistant

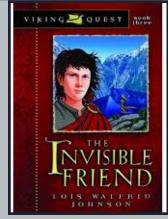


BOOK REVIEW SERIES





VIKINGS QUEST SERIES by Lois Walfrid Johnson



Synopsis

The Vikings Quest series are excellent books full of adventure, danger and excitement. It follows Briana and Devin, children of an Irish chief who are kidnapped by Viking raiders. They are separated from everything they have ever known; family, friends, and their religion are all miles away. Will they ever be able to make it back home? Why would God allow this to happen to them? Is God trustworthy? Can they ever do what Jesus asks of them and forgive their captors? All this and more awaits you in the Vikings quest series!

Review

I'm a big fan of this series! The questions and emotions brought up by the circumstances throughout the books seem more realistic than most Christian fiction I've read. There is wisdom and truth in the answers the characters find. Through their struggles God's hand is at work and His plan is wonderfully unfolded over time. I think boys and girls alike will enjoy this series.

Positive Themes

- Family
- Friendship
- Perseverance
- Forgiveness
- Responsibility
- Growing in faith
- Trusting God amidst trials
- Striving to be more like Christ

Potential Concerns

- Mild action and peril
- Mild romance



Lois Walfrid Johnson

Have a book you would like reviewed? Send your suggestions to carly@campgilead.org











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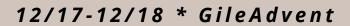


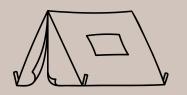
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