

GILEAD GAZETTE



WHAT THANK YOU LOOKS LIKE

This past summer, as cars rolled into camp and campers peered through the window, wondering what their week at Gilead would look like, individuals all over the Pacific NW, across the nation and even world, prayed for the camp staff and the boys and girls that would be campers. For many campers, summer camp would not have been an option, without the financial support of individuals and donors. Through the prayers and gifts of so many, Camp Gilead was able to offer a week of camp this summer to children that might not have been able to experience the wonder of Creation, friendships and the good news of Jesus. *(continued on the next page)*

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Their “thank you’s” came in the form of laughter with friends, in the form of excited campers greeting their parents at the end of the day with all of the things they got to experience, and through the tears shed as they said goodbye to their counselors at the end of the week.



Taryn Kelly, a long time camper and counselor in 1998, tragically lost her life in the fall of 1998, in a river accident on the east coast. Her family wanted to honor her memory and love for camp ministry, by setting up a scholarship fund.

Today, that Memorial Fund has helped thousands of campers and families experience a week of camp at Gilead, that otherwise, may not have been able to.

***If you have ever participated in our
Camp Gilead 5K on Memorial Day - THANK YOU!
If you have ever donated financially to
Camp Gilead's ministry - THANK YOU!
If you have ever prayed for
Camp Gilead - THANK YOU!***

We recognize that this ministry is God's and he works through many people to accomplish his purpose. We are so thankful for YOU and for your part in the ministry of Camp Gilead.

- Kimberly Mallory, Program Director

STAFF FEATURE

Elizabeth Anderson- 2021 Program Staff

I am not sure what I expected, but it certainly was different than the summer of 2021. These were not minor differences either, these were extensive and significant differences from a “normal” summer. In terms of the staff, the majority were brand new, years younger, and there was a quite larger portion that served only one or two weeks. Over half of the campers were brand new to Camp Gilead when it normally is the opposite. Returning staff and campers play a crucial role in maintaining and developing the camp culture, which at first glance seemed to present a problem this summer. The dynamic of the day camp schedule was increasingly fast paced, which could have presented a problem this summer. Planning and executing three chapels nearly the whole summer to cater to the wider age range of the campers was challenging at times, and it could have presented another problem this summer.



These factors could have presented problems, and there are several others I can think of right now that could have gone wrong. However, these elements did not become problems, and they did not go wrong. The summer of 2021 was not foolproof or flawless, but neither has any other summer been at Camp Gilead since 1948. Despite several hurdles, both those anticipated and those unforeseen, the ministry has continued. The Lord has continued to use this ministry to spread the truth of the gospel. There was a great potential for logistical or relational issues to impede the presentation of the gospel, preventing the message of Jesus Christ from being told. This did not happen.

I was consistently encouraged by the enthusiasm the campers had to learn about our Lord Jesus Christ, and those who began a relationship with Him. I was reminded of the profound impact that Camp Gilead has had on my life, and I was struck by the influence it also had on the campers and staff this summer; both new and returning. I was able to witness firsthand that the same God who was using the ministry of Gilead every summer, was the same God in control of the summer of 2021. He is the same God who knows me and loves me; the same God who saved me and continues to sanctify me. The same God who endures with steadfast love and goodness, despite any obstacles. Once again, there were major differences during the summer of 2021, but I am so glad it was not what I expected.





Father Son Weekend

November 5-6

www.campgilead.org

Speaker:
Kiyle
Decker



Pastor - First Baptist of Ferndale

Activities Available

***Archery, Boating, Mini Golf, Basketball,
Group Games, Sling Shots, S'mores,
Riflery, Whittling, Wood Chopping &
more!***

Retreat Coordinator: Josh Mallory

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Weekend Schedule

Friday

4:00 * Registration & Check In

Activities Open

6:00 * Dinner

7:00 * Chapel

8:30 * Late Night Activities

Saturday

8:00 * Breakfast

9:45 * Chapel

11:00 * Activities open

12:30 * Lunch

1:30 * Activities Open

Turkey Bowl Football Game

Ice Cream Sundaes

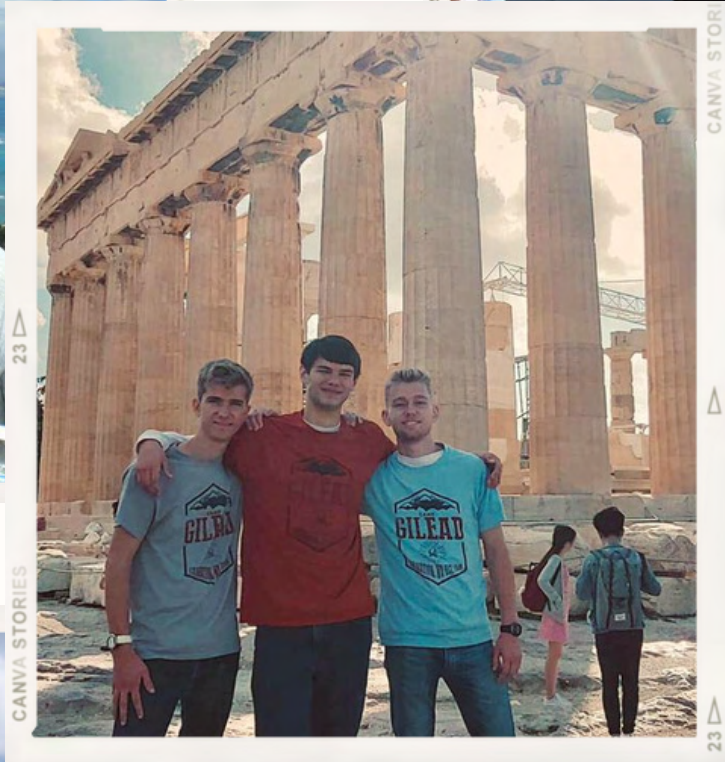
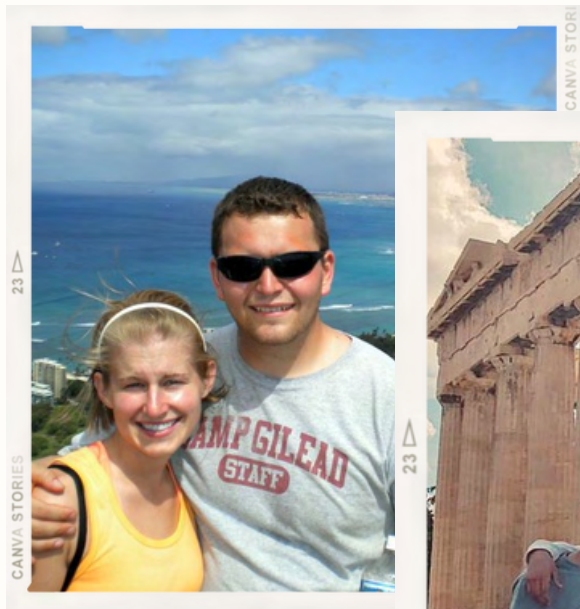
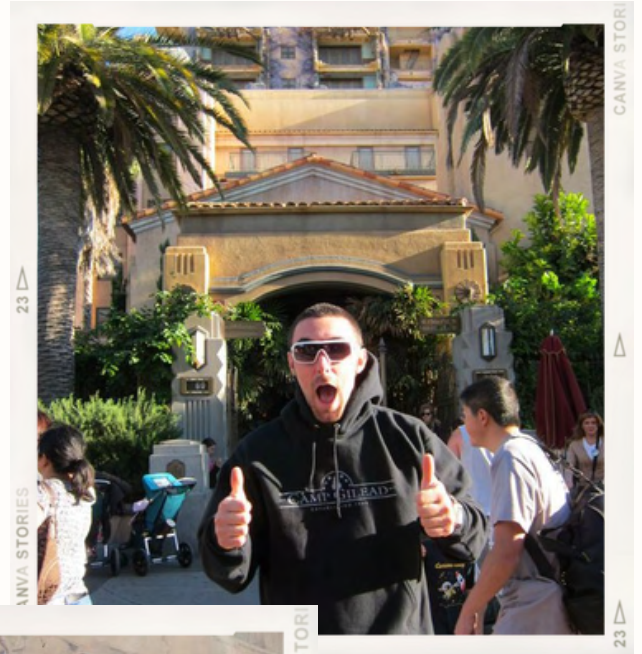
Head for home!

Register online

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WHERE DO YOU WEAR YOUR GILEAD WARE?

Gilead Gear shows up ALL over the world! Where have you taken your Gilead Gear? Send a photo to us ... and maybe YOU will be the next Gilead Gear model!



STAFF FEATURE

April Smith - 2021 Assistant Cook

I first heard about the opportunity to work at Camp Gilead in the spring of 2021. I didn't really think it would work, since I had just gotten a job, so I dismissed the idea of going. But through prayer and encouragement from a good friend, I decided to end my job and go to camp!

I am so thankful that I went! I learned so much through the summer of working there! It got me out of my comfort zone a lot, doing things I wouldn't have normally done, and also taught me a lot of patience working alongside 20+ other staff.



All the challenging times, the fun memories and the amazing people that I met and made friends with, are just a few of the things that made my summer truly unforgettable!

I totally recommend staffing at Camp Gilead, it's a one-of-a-kind experience and it will grow you in ways you didn't know were possible! Lord willing, I will definitely be going back on staff next year!



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A DRIVE THROUGH CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE

DECEMBER 19-20



Last year, we had the opportunity to minister to over 3000 people ... share the TRUE meaning of Christmas and give them some bright smiles, Christmas cheer and a fun memory during the Christmas season.

We are so excited to announce that we plan to host

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again this year so save the date!

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DECEMBER 19-20



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED WITH GILEADVENT 2021

- *Adopt an area or building and let your creativity shine
- *Volunteer on event nights
- *Purchase items off our GileAdvent Amazon Wish List
- *Like & Share social media posts
- *Help put up lights in November/early December

Email Kimberly Mallory
kimberly@campgilead.org
for more info!

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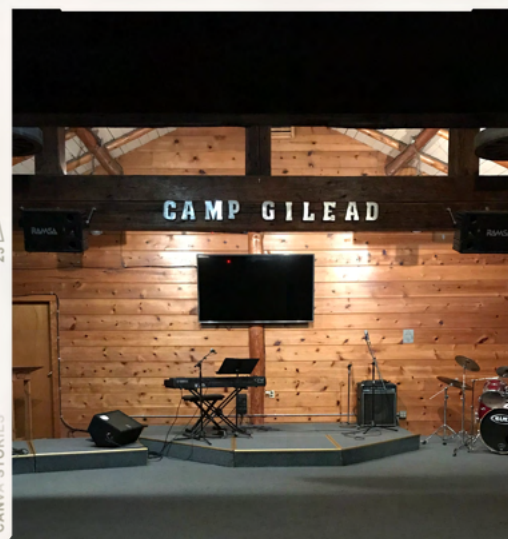
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We would be happy to host your next church or school retreat at Camp Gilead! We offer housing, food service and a prime location at an affordable price for your next event.

*Please contact Jack Moyer for scheduling & availability.
jack@campgilead.org*



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MEET THE CAMPERS

Ruby Orman - 2021 Camper

Over the last 8 years going to camp Gilead, here's what I love the most...coming into camp on the first day to smiles and welcomes from all the staff, I love ALL the chapel songs, I love slingshots, making new friends, GUS AND GWEN and how they tell the Bible stories, gutter ball competitions, dirtboarding, overnight camp, learning and sharing verses because we all know... the team that wins is the team that says the most verses! And, last but not least, MAIL CALL!! Oh, and even when I'm not in camp, I go to the YouTube channel and play and sing all the camp songs I LOVE!!! Camp stays with me all year long!

PARENTS WHO APPRECIATE CAMP GILEAD

Tara Orman - 2021 Camper Parent

Let's be honest... raising kids is a FULL-time job. Whether you're a full time working out of the house parent, full time working in the house parent, or a hybrid of both, parenting is just ALWAYS happening! Just like parenting is a non-stop role in life, so is our role as faith seekers and growers. As parents, we try to provide opportunities for our kids to experience God in a way that comforts them, encourages them, teaches them, and even challenges them. Church, youth groups, home groups, and school groups can help provide these opportunities.
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PARENTS WHO APPRECIATE CAMP GILEAD

For our family, Camp Gilead has been a cornerstone for reflection, remembrance, and growth on our kids journey with God. When our kids become campers at Gilead, they are loved unconditionally and encouraged (and shown by example) how to treat others as Jesus would with their words and actions. Our campers are challenged to remember verses that will stay with them throughout the year so they can hold God's Word close to their heart. They are taught songs that are silly, full of energy, and speak truth to them when they need a reminder of HOW God sees them. Our campers are always outside in God's AMAZINGLY BEAUTIFUL creation on the grounds of Camp Gilead, having fun with friends and making memories with all sorts of unique activities they can't do at home or school.

Campers have so much fun while being immersed in God's word and as a parent, I am thankful for their support in growing my child's love of God's word in "camp" ways. AND, Camp Gilead provides more opportunities than just summer... my girls and I, along with my mom and mom-in-law, have attended Mom/Daughter camp and LOVE it as well. The message shared over the retreat always leaves me seeking to grown my own relationship with God more fully for myself and for my family. It's a fun filled overnight day of crafting, chapel time with camp songs and guest speakers, community time at meals, movie night, and of course outdoor activities on the beautiful grounds of camp. Our family appreciates Camp Gilead for its ability to always turn our hearts and our kids hearts back to God in so many fun and special ways!



*With thanks, Tara & Eric Orman with Ella,
Rylan, Ruby, and Eva Orman*

MOTHER DAUGHTER RETREATS

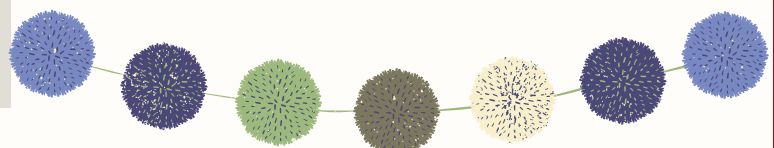
OCTOBER 1-2 & 8-9

Barbara Johnston

In the last few weeks of her being 3 yrs. old, in 2004, my daughter and I attended a new 'idea' at Camp Gilead...a Mother Daughter retreat. Life had been busy (homeschooling & three brothers), and it seemed a great idea to spend time with my little girl alone. I had no idea the wonder that would come out of that little gal! "Oh Mama, we get to decorate big cookies! Oh Mama, we can paint our nails! Oh Mama, we can make jewelry! We can plant flowers! We can read books together! On and on - it was a fabulous weekend!



Throughout the years, we've enjoyed many different activities, horseback riding, scone making, walks along the river, and especially sharing our hearts with each other with no boys around. We have brought friends, had some adventures, and made this a yearly tradition. Now as my girl is an adult, the retreat looks a bit different in both our eyes, but we still love it and we will continue to attend as long as the Lord lets us!



HAPPENING AT CAMP

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Josh & Jack have been working on preserving and freshening up the roof of the lower dorms! The improvement is stunning!

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CAMP GILEAD HISTORY - A LOOK BACK

Story of the Chicken Coop

In 1948, when Mrs. Jenkins donated 27 acres along the Snoqualmie River to Tabernacle Baptist Church, all that was on them was an old farmhouse, a few out-buildings and one long chicken coop. It wasn't long before Pastor Forrest Johnson saw past the cold, dark, musty coop and recognized it as potential housing for campers. Dave Schwitters built an apartment in one end, to house his family, and took a year of leave from his job in order to work full-time on developing the property. The youth from Tab were put to work shoveling and scooping old straw and other things from the chicken coop. A divider was built across the center of the building and it became a two-room dormitory with boys at one end and girls at the other.



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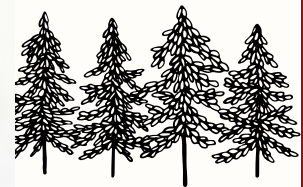
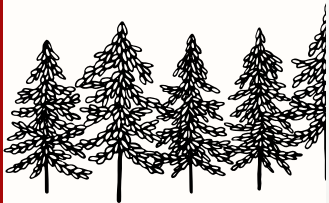
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Later, the coop was divided into ten cabins and a boardwalk deck was built around the dorm, from boards made from a fallen tree near the pond. Since then, three of the rooms have been renovated to include private bathroom and shower facilities. This building is currently used to house girl campers during the summer and guest groups in the off season. The boardwalk is still a favorite and sentimental memory for the many people who participated in the renovations.

ANNOUNCING...

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We will be focusing on Jesus' Ascent to Calvary, His Ascent from the Grave and His Ascension into Heaven!

STAFF ALUMNI SMALL BIZ SPOTLIGHT

KOSKE KITCHEN

Hi! Alyssa here, wife and mom to two boys. My boys have a red dye allergy, and I was diagnosed with Celiac Disease in 2019. Because of that, I have witnessed, first hand, the challenges of substituting common baking ingredients to accommodate folks with all kinds of dietary restrictions. It has been an amazing experience; learning all the exciting ways to cook the food we all love, in ways that can be enjoyed by as many people as possible.



CAMP CONNECTION

I started attending Camp Gilead back in 1994 as a young elementary school kiddo (I was known as AJ Ludwig then) and continued until I graduated High School. I worked at Gilead in 2001 and an LIT, Leader in Training. Looking back on my years at camp, I remember the yummy food ... breakfast bars and cinnamon rolls were my favorites! I remember the chapel time where we could sing, dance and grow. I remember the friends that I made, lifelong friendships that I am so grateful for.



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