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Your Support Helps Campers During the last week of July, my husband, Mason, and I led a week of Jungle Huts. Spending a week in the woods with 31 fourth through sixth grade students was an action and adventure By Rachel Hayden, Jungle Hut Leader packed week. Not only that, there was a fresh outpouring of the

Holy Spirit. We spent the week discussing what it means to be an ambassador of Christ. Each day we broke up into small groups and talked about a different leader in the Bible (Moses, Daniel, Esther, Paul). Between reading scripture, teaching times, and worship, many campers felt prompted to ask hard questions. The students asked us questions like, "How do we know God is real if we can't see him?""How can God speak to us? And how do you know it's actually him?" "How do I know something specific is a sin if I haven't read the entire Bible?" The list goes on and on. Man, kids ask good questions! Our students were genuinely searching to know the truth about the Gospel.

During camp every student makes some sort of decision in their walk with Christ. We had 10 students commit their lives to Christ. At the end of the week, we had the opportunity to baptize 7 of those students! One camper told me that after spending a week in the Word, he wanted to have Jesus in his life everyday when he got home and not only at church on Sundays. Lives are being transformed at camp.

As the week came to a close, I stood in awe of how the Lord showed up. I saw Him through kids playing in the rain, laughter while exploding watermelons with rubber bands, kiddie pool kickball, the starry night sky, acoustic worship, kids encountering God for the first time, and deep conversations campers had with our summer staff. I laughed more that week then I have in a long time! Lives were transformed this summer. Even my life has been transformed.





Summer Numbers

909 Campers Attended 30 Camp Sessions

- 375+ Volunteers (Kitchen, Office, Grounds/ Maintenance, & Faculty)

- 47 Campers Accepted Christ & were **Baptized at THE ARK**

- \$13,320 Given in Missions Offering



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The Holy Spirit is on the Move By Tobias & Ashley Brockus, Thai Hut Leaders

This year at the Thai Huts was so far above and beyond any of our expectations! We planned for things like: activities, team building, devotions, small group time, and more. However, there are things the Holy Spirit has planned, and the only way to respond is to sit back, get out of the way, and observe His overwhelming power!

Going into Wednesday night, we had two campers express the Lord's leading to be baptized, and we shared in this joy as a group! That same evening, we had a time of devotions as a group. The kids were so engaged, and even after devotions were over, they continued to hang around the campfire together. We then began to worship through music. We played the guitar and sang worship melodies that some of the kids were familiar with, and some were not. Either way, they worshiped.

The best way to describe what happened is to say that our worship began to multiply...again, and again, and again. The campers began to sing and pray, and express themselves in a way they never knew they could. The Holy Spirit was present around our campfire. The campers prayed for and with each other, and then gathered in smaller groups and prayed some more. They were worshiping, and singing, and crying as an expression of the overflow from their hearts. They were so filled with the joy that only comes from an encounter with the Spirit of God, and all we could do as adults was to sit in complete awe of just how powerful our God is, and thankfulness that He allowed US to witness such a movement. At the end of our Wednesday night, there were five more campers feeling His call to be baptized into a new life with Christ. What a powerful reminder of the power we possess when we give ourselves over to His leading, and His call!

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Year-round, youth and adults are challenged to deepen their walk with God. Even though these campers and faculty have left, ministry continues at THE ARK 365 days a year.

Will you help us prepare for the fall and winter guests who will come by giving a financial gift? Will you also please pray for those whose lives are impacted by THE ARK? May more youth and adults experience a community of God's grace and have their lives changed.

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