



Pilgrim Lodge

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Dear Friend of Pilgrim Lodge,

Thank you for supporting the ministry of Pilgrim Lodge with your prayers, your good thoughts and wishes, your volunteer efforts, and your financial gifts. Your gifts to Pilgrim Lodge will help us keep costs down for campers, parents, and churches as well as provide quality program for everyone. This year we had an amazing 5% increase in camper attendance in a time when the national average for church camps declined by 5%! We are richly blessed. But this year, I will let the parents and campers do the talking:

"You think, 'oh gosh, church camp. I'm not that close with God.' But when you come to PL they teach to become close to God and the people who surround you. All the time you're having fun and the time of your life. It's a very kind and caring environment that I feel safe and loved in."
-Middle School Camper

"My son has been very negative towards religion the past few years, but after this past week at Pilgrim Lodge he has had a spiritual awakening and we are thrilled with this transformation. He also had a great week socially, and ended the week with two good friends." -Parent

"[At PL] I learned that I am a strong girl inside and out" -4th grade camper

"I learned that it is very important to give. There are people in the world so much less fortunate than ourselves and I learned that it is important to help them out as much as we can."
-Sr. High Camper

"This isn't any old church camp. It's something that will impact you for the rest of your life"
-Middle School Camper

"PL helps you be a better person and being confident about believing in yourself."
-5th grade camper

"Our church family loves Pilgrim Lodge and seeing our young people attend... We provided more counselors than I ever remember before. We had several brand new campers this year!"
- A local church "Jumper" (PL cheerleader)

"There is no place quite like PL and the bonding that takes place both spiritually and with the grandchildren" -Grandparent camper

"I've watched two of my children grow into compassionate, caring young adults and know that PL played an important role in their spiritual development." -Parent

Pilgrim Lodge is a place where children and adults gain confidence, make connections, and come to know God in a powerful and direct way. We count on this annual appeal to keep PL alive (this is not part of any long range or capital campaign). Please help keep this ministry vibrant and strong by making a contribution to Pilgrim Lodge.

Yours in Christ, and with much gratitude
Rev. Bryan S. Breault, Director of Outdoor Ministries

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