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A newsletter for supporters and benefactors of Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm.

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Generous Support Advances Ministry!

Your generosity greatly impacts all facets of ministry at Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm. It helps us provide joyful, exciting, safe, faith-building experiences for our campers and retreat guests.

Your gifts help keep facilities safe, attractive, and in good working order. They've allowed us to complete considerable repairs on the pools at both camps, paint the Lower Camp Assembly Hall at Nawakwa, improve Kirchenwald's athletic field restrooms, and build a Pavilion at The Wittel Farm. Your donations help us hire caring and mature summer ministry teams, help purchase sports equipment, climbing ropes, craft supplies, Bible study curriculum, and provide First Aid, CPR, Lifeguard, and other skills training for the counselors. Donations buy the seeds and vegetables planted at The Wittel Farm, Nawakwa, and Kirchenwald to help alleviate food insecurity

in our communities as campers and other guests learn about ways to serve our neighbors in need. Donations also help provide Camperships to children who would be unable to attend due to family financial hardship. Our volunteers give their time and talent in many and varied capacities like camp health officers, camp pastors and chaplains, kitchen helpers, farm helpers, and grounds and maintenance helpers. We are very grateful to all those who support the Lutheran Camping Corporation's ministry. Thank You!



Mike

Mike Youse, Executive Director



Where There's a Will, There's a Way!

Do you have a will? Is it current, reflecting your present circumstances and wishes?

It is important to have an up-to-date will because a will can accomplish so much for you, your heirs, and others. It is literally true that **"Where there's a will, there is a way"- a way to benefit and save!**

For example, a will provides a way to have all you possess distributed according to your wishes, not as the state determines through state law. In your will, you can and should make specific provisions for all that you have and all whom you love.

A will can also help save money through avoiding unnecessary expenses and by reducing state inheritance and federal estate taxes. A will is also a wonderful way to help The Lutheran Camping Corporation and/or other favorite charities.

Because we feel it is beneficial for everyone to have a will that is current and reflects your wishes, we are making available, without cost or obligation, an excellent resource to help you get started. It is entitled, "My Legacy." It is a brief workbook to help you protect your family and your assets.

This user-friendly booklet answers many of the questions you may have about wills and can help you fulfill your wishes regarding the distribution of your estate.

You can obtain your free copy of this helpful resource by contacting Michael Youse at 717-677-8211, or by email at myouse@lutherancamping.org.

Remember that "Where there's a will, there's a way"- to benefit both you and your heirs.



Heritage Society Members

LCC Heritage Society is a caring and committed group of people who help assure the financial stability of the LCC for future generations. They do so by including the LCC in their thoughtful estate plans. To learn more about the LCC Heritage Society or to inform us that you have already included the LCC in your estate plans, please contact Michael Youse at 717-677-8211 or myouse@lutherancamping.org.

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Seeding the Future: So Close, So Very Close to Debt Retirement

The bold decision made in 2008 to expand the Nawakwa ministry site came with a mixture of excitement and apprehension. The excitement came from understanding the importance of growing the camp site and the many opportunities this would bring. The apprehension came from not knowing what the response would be like from the many, many people who love and care about Nawakwa, and if they would step forward with needed support and generosity to pay for the land without adversely impacting resources given for ministry operations. Over the past 15 years, apprehension has diminished with the truly generous response to the efforts to retire the debt incurred to grow Nawakwa.

With the mortgage debt down to \$15,488 as of June 1, 2023, the debt-free light at the end of the mortgage tunnel is now visible, and there's growing excitement knowing that the mortgage retired opens the door for pursuing exciting ministry opportunities.

It would be wonderful to celebrate with a mortgage burning at Nawakwa's Fall Foliage Day on October 22, but that final \$15,488 has to be paid before the party can start. Please help get the party started. Use the gift response device in this newsletter to make a donation to help close out the debt. Keep watching for news about when the final debt amount is paid off and when we will celebrate with a mortgage burning.



Yes! We want to continue our support to the Camping Corporation

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