



Annual Report

2022 - 2023



Lake Aurora
Christian Assembly,
Inc.

Summer Camp & Retreat Center

Lake Wales, Florida



Small group devotions at Summer Camp

There's just something about this place...

Lake Aurora Christian Assembly, Inc. consists of 74 member churches throughout central Florida with an additional 59 churches participating financially in the ministry at Lake Aurora.

The Lake Aurora campus has expanded from its original 20 acres to 80 acres. The year round staff consists of 9 full time staff members along with operational team of numerous seasonal staff and volunteers.

September 2023

Inside these pages are numbers and statistics, but what it represents are lives changed and opportunities seized for teachable moments for Christ. Groups and individuals are longing for community and the need is great. Since 1947, Lake Aurora has navigated many cultural changes and we will continue to look to God's guidance and provision as we move forward with future ministry in programs and facilities.

Partnership with our supporting churches makes the Kingdom stronger. We offer opportunities for learning, reflection, and relationship building in an environment that reflects God's beauty and creativity in a natural setting while always striving to make the entire campus accessible to participants regardless of abilities. Participants are encouraged, challenged, committed and sent out to pour into their community for Christ.

Making a difference for over 76 years...



Encouragement from our friends and partners...

"Honestly, everything about Lake Aurora is wonderful! Spending the day outside in God's beautiful world with our students is always an amazing experience. The staff at Lake Aurora is always so kind, courteous and helpful. the food has never disappointed!" A. Lutton, Leader for a school retreat

"The grounds are beautiful and well maintained while the staff exudes the serving spirit of Jesus. If you're looking for a tranquil yet fun place to spend time at this is highly recommended. Look for their many retreat weekends events as well as a summer children's camp. Amazing place."

K.C. Camper parent

Investing in young lives with the power of Christian camping.



Lake Aurora... A Past with a Future.





Lake Aurora

dedicated to
Youth & Families

Mission Statement

Camp: A Place to Experience God's Creation and See Lives Change

Lake Aurora Christian Camp & Retreat Center

Purpose Statements

I Youth Camps

Making the camper aware that their whole life is lived before God and equipping them to live in harmony with the will of God by teaching them biblical principles and giving them opportunity to practice them.

This is done through a variety of programs using elements of nature, role modeling, skill development, Bible study and worship, and social and recreational interaction.



The closing prayer circle is a beautiful tradition that continues to this day.



II Retreats and Camps for Adults & Families

Helping men, women, and families to spend time addressing specific issues, developing skills and gifts, exploring ministry and vocational possibilities, ministering to each other, worshipping and praising God.

This is done through programs targeted to specific areas of interest or need, utilizing proficient teachers, facilitators, and maximizing the rural nature of the Lake Aurora setting.

III Equipping People for Service to Other Cultures

Creating special programs, often in cooperation with others, to train, equip, and send Christian people to service opportunities around the world.



Statement of Faith

Our core belief hinges on two principles: 1) the Bible is the only inspired Word of God, 2) Jesus alone is both Lord and Christ. He really lived, He died for our sins, He was raised from the dead, and He is one with God.

Because these are core sincerely held religious beliefs, we are unable, by conscience, to accommodate groups whose teachings and practices are contradictory to these beliefs.

Did You Know?

God's impact and provision in 2022-2023



76

Public Baptism decisions in the nine weeks of summer camp. With another 26 in Aug/Sept. (up 26%)

27,780



hours were graciously given by over 400 volunteers from program to facilities.



53,722

meals served (17% more than 2022)

Partner & Educational Arm of the church

37

Lake Aurora programmed Retreats/ Camps are offered to the churches to strengthen every age group in the church family.





Glimpse of 2022-2023 year. Intentional and Inspirational.

How do you express the true ministry that is experienced on this campus that is supported with prayer, partnership, and participation? Here are few of our highlights:

- **Lake Aurora sponsored programs:**
11 months out of the year we are providing an opportunity for a different sector of the church family to 'step aside' and experience a relationship building retreat. See page 23 for a list of these retreats.
- **"Roots Secure- Branching Out" Tent Pegs:** Our current campaign, announced in March 2020, "Roots Secure, Branching Out," is founded on our debt-free position and how we are moving forward. Tent Pegs are an incredible tool that provides an opportunity for many Christians to work together with relatively small gifts and move the ministry beyond today into tomorrow! As of September 2023, \$1.1 million is in savings to fund the Oak Hammock, which is a large assembly building for the entire campus and a special needs indoor programming area.
- **2023 Summer:** "Reveal", the third and final theme in our latest trilogy. God provided a ripe harvest and we witnessed over 85 life changing decisions of which 76 were for baptism. Each program supported a unique mission and \$8,362 was raised.
- **Aurora Bucks & Camper Scholarships:** The sliding scale Aurora Buck discount provided to any camper who registers through one of the LACC supporter churches—totaled \$81,545 for 980 campers. Our church gifts throughout the year cover these discounts to camper families. We encourage churches to use them as outreach to their communities. Over and above the Aurora Buck discounts, we provided \$6,415 in scholarships. We also received a grant for First Responders and helped seven families. Eight campers were fully scholarshiped through the Angel Tree Program with a grant of \$3,179.
- **Special Needs Groups:** Our partners, Special Touch Ministry, and Camp JOY returned to their week long programs bringing more opportunities to this guests. Our inhouse program, Camp Friendship, for mild disabilities continues to flourish. Some summer programs included special needs campers within its programs also.
- **Facility improvements:** A aestically pleasing fence line was added to the property along Golden Bough that connects the Lakeside and Hillside campuses. A thatched covering and adaptable railing for fishing was added to the Farquahar Deck, an enlarged Vesper Area, 17 new bunkbeds, a new oven and icemaker, metal roof on VG Gilbert Program Center and additional storage was created in the maintenance area. We created a short term fix to our summer worker housing and freed up the Marigold dorm for additional campers.
- **"Oak Hammock" Large Assembly Building:** We are on our way! The area is being cleared of exotic trees so we can see where to put the building without taking out Oak trees unnecessarily. We hired Whitehead Construction and the sitework will start by the end of 2023 with hope to be complete by the end of 2024.
- **Staff changes:** We welcomed Emilee Book to our Guest Relations team in August, 2023.
- **Volunteers:** We are blessed by both winter, summer, and year-round volunteers donating 27,780 hours! They are considered major donors as if we calculate just using minimum wage, they saved the ministry over \$305,580 over the course of the year.

Challenges of 2023 going into 2024...

- Staffing our year round rental programs with seasonal part-time workers continues to be difficult. Year round kitchen and grounds assistant also needed.
- While we have a short term solution to our leadership housing, ideally, we'd like a significant "leadership unit" that would have a common meeting space as a part of the design. We are using manufactured housing from the early 80's, over 40 years old.
- We raised the funds for initial quote to construct the Oak Hammock but in the last two years the cost of construction has practically doubled. We are trusting God's provision in funding the construction debt-free.

Operational Staff
2023 summer



Omega Support Staff
2023 summer





2022 - 2023

Executive Team Report

Things to come!

- **A new summer trilogy: "Revolution".** Based on John 13:35 Jesus' teaching turned the world upside down. We will be emphasizing that God's love changes everything! It is our goal to have registration open in February 2024.
- **Groundbreaking of the Oak Hammock!** We are moving forward and making progress. Whitehead Construction has ordered the metal for the building and is in production. The footprint is being marked out and we hope to see ground move by the end of 2023.
- **Phases of Development:** We continually evaluate the needs of our ministry and those we serve to seek the wisest ways to use our land and facilities productively. That also requires careful consideration of how those facilities must be remodeled, modernized, replaced, and expanded. The Sunshine Project gives the order to the developmental needs of this ministry.

- **Phase I:**

The James and John Cabin & Hillside Steel Tent completed 2014/2015.

Midterm Projects that are facility-minded and based on available funding and labor. We still desperately need a housing units for our summer long staff and retreat staff. We have a short term solution that has opened a dorm for camper beds but is not the long term solution.

The following list of projects are prioritized by the Board of Trustees.

Large Assembly Building: The Oak Hammock, will seat approximately 500 in a presentation setting. It will be multifunctional and be able to accommodate total campus participants. It is designed and additional funding is needed to complete construction debt-free, approximately \$700K.

"Stirring Waters Aquatic Experience": Phase one is the splash pad and restroom/bathhouse. See p 18. This multi-million dollar project is ongoing and is partnering with "Removing the Barriers Initiative" in securing funding, grants, & design of the structures. Bill Redmon leads the RTBI organization & Steve Bornemann oversees its relationship to Lake Aurora. The aquatic facility will significantly expand our ministry opportunities. It will take pressure off the Lakeside swim area, allow for night swims, and be very intentional to those with physical and mental special needs in addition to senior adults. We have experienced increased involvement and financial backing of the project from individuals and organizations.

Sewer service to replace the septic systems on Lakeside: While not an exciting project, connecting the Lakeside campus to the wastewater treatment plant is a pressing need. This connection is essential before there is a septic failure. The connection will allow for much-needed renovations/upgrades, improved special needs facilities, the addition of restrooms to the Chapel, and campus growth.

- **Phase II:** Completion of the Hillside Cabins. Changing the footprint to combining two cabins with a common meeting space. This will entail building two buildings instead of four. Also, in this phase will be the refurbishing of the Lakeside Chapel to include restrooms and a lakefront porch.
- **Phase III:** The vision continues with structures to provide private motel-type housing and development of the Acacia Walk property with a stand-alone adult retreat center for small groups/leadership teams. These amenities will also help facilitate families using the Stirring Waters facility.

One of our core values states...“LACC will act with vision. If our plans are not big enough to require God's blessings to succeed, then they are not big enough.” We cannot achieve these goals unless they are God-honoring. This statement is a constant reminder of why Lake Aurora exists: to honor God and introduce people to Him. It is with prayerful consideration that we seek the next steps and trust in God's timing.

We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with churches and individuals to provide a facility, programs, and staff where Christ is proclaimed in central Florida. Thank you for the prayers, involvement, and financial gifts that make this possible.

**Wise men and women
are always learning, always
listening for fresh insight.**

Proverbs 18:15



The Executive Team includes Steve Bornemann, Chief Financial Officer/Facilities; Phyllis Bornemann, Director of Operations/Marketing; and Jason Mocherman, Summer Programs Director. They lead with Board oversight. As a team, they have 86 combined years of experience in Christian camping and strive to be servant leaders.



Experiences that bring joy, confidence, and teachable moment opportunities for Christ.

Summer Camp Program Statistics

Summer Of 2023... *Reveal*

Program	Date	Registered Campers	Total Workers	Baptism Decisions	Other Decisions
Lakeside Camp					
L123a	6/8-9/2023	52	27	0	
L123b	7/20-21/2023	56	18	0	
L234	7/5-7/2023	86	27	0	
L456	7/16-20/2023	140	28	16	
L567	6/11-16/2023	128	31	0	
L678a	7/9-14/2023	139	32	16	1
L678b	7/23-28/2023	135	40	10	
Hillside Camp					
H345a	6/11-15/2023	52	19	7	
H345b	7/9-13/2023	44	18	1	
H456	7/23-27/2023	53	16	2	
Camp Friendship	7/6-8/2022	18	12	0	
Girls' Volleyball	7/16-20/2023	14	4	0	
Campus Wide Camps					
CW678	6/25-30/2023	178	40	14	1
CW912	6/18-23/2023	202	43	9	6
Life Expedition					
SSurvival912	7/9-14/2023	8	4		
Voice in the Wilderness	6/4-8/2023	11	4		
LESmkyMTN	6/18-23/2023	6	4		
LECanoe7-9	6/25-29/2023	12	4		
LECanoe8-10	7/23-27/2023	19	4		
Leadership Training					
Aquatics	5/30-6/3/2023	3	3		
Big MAC	6/4-9/2023	13	6		
WHOLE	6/2-6/2023	4	3		
Alpha A	6/4-16/2023	11			
Alpha B	6/18-30/2023	10			
Alpha C	7/5-14/2023	14			
Alpha D	7/16-28/2023	12			
GRAND TOTAL		1,422	384	76	8

Capacity has been reduced 10% in housing (2 beds) to encourage a more impactful experience between counselors and campers. (Lesson learned from Pandemic)

Three additional churches ran summer camp programs as bookends for our season with another 453 participants. **Grand Summer Total: 2,259**



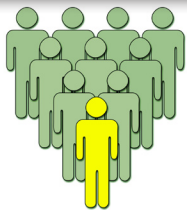


Summer Camp

2003-2023

Year	Campers	Baptisms	Other Decisions
2003	1986	179	110
2004	1873	146	129
2005	1774	133	119
2006	1828	132	81
2007	1641	127	78
2008	1635	93	57
2009	1587	151	63
2010	1535	99	25
2011	1385	87	58
2012	1406	80	21
2013	1479	92	27
2014	1407	58	50
2015	1542	63	51
2016	1514	86	21
2017	1597	62	39
2018	1662	82	66
2019	1773	128	29
2020	403 (Pandemic)	32	3
2021	1,229	65	8
2022	1,489	60	10
2023	1,422	76	8
Total	<u>32,280</u>	<u>2,031</u>	<u>1,053</u>

Out of 32,280 summer campers over a 20 year period, 3,084 of those campers made some type of decision to serve Christ.



10% of the campers from the past twenty years have made a decision to follow Jesus.

Adult Retreats/Activities

Seek encouragement, renewal, and fellowship at our Men's Retreat, Women's Retreat, Young at Heart Day, Open House, and Golf Scramble.

Family Retreats/Activities

Building the family and teens with our Mother/Daughter Retreat, Father/Son Retreat, Spring Father/Son Campout, and High School Winter Retreat.

9,448 total guests/campers in the 2022-2023 fiscal year. We served over 53,882 meals.
The camp property was in use 221 days for programming in the 2022/2023 fiscal year.

Summer Campers by Churches 2023



Church	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Adventure Christian Church	0	0	0	0	2
Altamonte, Real Life	0	0	0	1	0
Apopka, Journey	19	6	19	9	7
Arcadia, First	2	0	0	3	0
Auburndale Community	9	3	2	1	0
Avon Park, First	0	0	0	1	0
Babson Park, First	0	0	0	1	2
Bartow, Community	7	0	2	2	0
Bonita Springs, Anchor	8	0	0	7	5
Bradenton, Westside	0	0	0	0	0
Brooksville Christian	2	2	2	1	0
Cape Coral, Community 242	0	0	0	0	0
Cape Coral, Crosspoint	18	0	2	3	1
Cape Coral, First	4	6	13	29	23
Chuluota, River Run	4	0	0	1	1
Clearwater, First	4	0	7	14	13
Clermont, Real Life	94	12	45	50	43
Clewiston, Community	0	0	3	0	0
Cocoa, Discovery	0	0	0	1	0
Cocoa, First		1	0	0	0
Dade City Christian	5	4	7	6	5
Deltona, Cornerstone	9	6	18	10	4
Dunedin, First	6	0	0	0	0
Eustis, Lake Eustis Christian	30	10	50	70	73
Fruitland Park, Northside	4	4	6	10	6
Frostproof, First	0	0	0	2	0
Ft, Myers, Southside Christian	0	0	1	1	1
Ft. Myers, First	40	9	23	36	51
Ft. Myers, New Day	1	0	3	1	3
Ft. Myers, New Hope	0	0	0	0	1
Ft. Pierce, Southside	8	3	2	2	0
Groveland, South Lake	18	0	23	27	29
Homosassa Springs, First	0	0	0	0	1
Hunter's Creek, Real Life	4	0	0	0	0
Kissimmee, Kissimmee Christian	15	6	20	12	11
Kissimmee, Northeast	8	1	11	12	1
Kissimmee, Poinciana	12	0	12	9	12
Lady Lake, Fairway Christian	14	5	7	9	3
Lake Mary, Lifepoint	8	0	9	6	7
Lake Wales, Church on the Move	44	14	30	36	28
Lakeland, Legacy	17	5	14	7	7
Largo, Crossroads	17	3	16	8	0
Leesburg, First	1	0	0	1	0
Lehigh Acres Christian	2	1	2	2	0
Longwood - River Run - North	0	0	0	0	0
Longwood, Real Life	1	0	0	0	0
Melbourne, Harbor City	2	0	0	1	0
Melbourne, River Run - Brevard	30	8	17	14	9
Moore Haven, Lakeport	0	0	0	0	1
Mt. Dora, Real Life	13	1	10	15	11
N Ft. Myers, New Hope	0	0	0	0	0
Naples Christian	0	0	0	0	2
Naples, Capri	6	2	5	6	4



Summer Campers by Churches

2023

Church	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
New Port Richey, Lifepoint Christian	0	0	0	1	0
Nokomis, New Hope	0	0	0	1	1
Odessa, Journey Christian	1	0	0	0	0
Okeechobee Christian	1	0	0	1	0
Okeechobee, His Church	2	0	0	0	0
Orlando, Real Life East	9	0	12	9	5
Orlando, Real Life SoDo	13	0	5	11	9
Orlando, Southside	1	0	0	0	0
Orlando, Thrive Church	0	0	0	0	0
Orlando, West Orange	1	0	0	0	0
Ormond Beach, Tomoka Christian	20	3	13	18	13
Palm Bay, Tomoka Christian	16	3	11	13	19
Pompano Beach, First	12	0	0	0	0
Pt Charlotte, Suncoast Christian	1	0	0	0	0
Pt St Lucie, Christian				1	0
Pt. Charlotte, New Day	69	0	51	56	103
Punta Gorda, First Christian			1	0	0
Rockledge, Viera Christian	0	0	1	0	0
Ruskin, First				1	0
Safety Harbor, Harborside	15	2	6	12	4
Sanford, Safe Harbor	14	10	9	5	0
Sarasota Christian	30	9	13	16	12
Sarasota, Crosspointe	3	0	0	0	0
Sebastian Christian	16	11	18	13	29
Sebring Christian	13	4	7	8	9
Seffner, McIntosh Christian	0	0	0	0	0
Seminole, First	22	7	6	7	8
St. Cloud, Canoe Creek	79	41	71	77	72
St. Petersburg, Central	32	3	27	45	36
Sun City Center, First Christian	0	0	1	0	0
Tamarac, Community	160	2	9	7	3
Tampa, Discovery Christian	0	0	0	1	0
Tampa, East Christian	5	0	1	0	3
Tampa, New Beginnings	6	5	5	1	25
Tampa, Water's Edge	1	1	0	0	0
Tavares, Adventure	4	3	1	0	0
Titusville, First	9	1	0	4	2
Trinity, Generations	78	6	26	19	12
UCF, Real Life	9	0	0	0	2
Valrico, New Life Christian	0	0	0	2	4
Vero Beach, Cornerstone	15	9	6	31	20
Vero Beach, Premiere Christian	1	0	0	0	0
Vero Beach, Vero Christian	4	0	0	2	10
W. Palm Beach Comm. Christian	4	2	1	4	4
Wauchula, First	39	2	22	52	53
Wauchula, Real Life	30	10	23	14	17
Weeki Wachee, Ch in Wildwood	31	0	23	29	29
Winter Garden, New Horizons	5	0	18	4	6
Winter Haven, Christian	10	3	14	15	14
Winter Haven, Multiply (Havendale)	3	0	0	0	0
Winter Park, First (Encounter CC)	9	6	21	15	12
Winter Springs, The Foundry	40	5	9	12	7
Zephyrhills, Zephyr	11	1	1	5	7

Summer Campers by Churches 2023



Church	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Miscellaneous	435	142	416	546	509
Campers that listed other churches than one of our area supporting/owner churches as their home church					



TOP 10 CHURCHES FOR 2023 SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM ATTENDANCE



1. New Day Christian, Pt Charlotte 103
2. Lake Eustis Christian 73
3. Canoe Creek C.C., St Cloud 77
4. First Christian, Wauchula 53
5. First Christian, Ft Myers 51
6. Real Life Christian, Clermont 43
7. Central C.C., St Pete 36
8. Christ's Church on the Move, LW 30
9. South Lake Christian, Groveland 29
- Christian Church in the Wildwood 29
- Sebastian Christian Church 29

The Summer Camp Mission has grown...

1947...

2 weeks of camp and 2 programs & 20 acres

currently

2023...

9 weeks and 25 programs & 80 acres



The Farquhar Overlook deck received a covered area and adjustable railing for accessible fishing.

Church Giving*

10/1/2022 thru 9/30/2023



Our Winter volunteers are like family and provide more than 3,200 hours of service..

"God loves it when the giver delights in the giving"
(2 Corinthians 9:7 The Message)

Our purpose is to be an extension of the Christian church dedicated to providing meaningful programs in a beautiful outdoor setting. It is a place where youth, adults, and families take time to enrich their personal relationship with Christ, fellowship with each other, and prepare for service while discovering God's will for their lives.

Corp Mem.	Church	City		Total Giving
	Fairway Christian Church	The Villages	FL	\$25,600.00
Yes	Christ's Church on the Move-Lake Wales	Lake Wales	FL	\$18,706.00
Yes	Legacy Christian Church	Lakeland	FL	\$12,000.00
Yes	New Day Christian Church - Pt Charlotte	Port Charlotte	FL	\$12,000.00
Yes	Sebastian Christian Church	Sebastian	FL	\$11,100.00
Yes	Anchor Christian Church	Bonita Springs	FL	\$10,945.18
Yes	Canoe Creek Christian Church	Saint Cloud	FL	\$10,680.00
Yes	Lake Eustis Christian Church	Eustis	FL	\$8,138.90
Yes	New Beginnings Christian Church-Tampa	Tampa	FL	\$7,472.70
Yes	Winter Haven Christian Church	Winter Haven	FL	\$6,141.32
Yes	First Christian Church-Cape Coral	Cape Coral	FL	\$6,000.00
Yes	First Christian Church-Babson Park	Babson Park	FL	\$5,875.00
Yes	First Christian Church-Bradenton	Bradenton	FL	\$5,785.00
Yes	First Christian Church-Frostproof	Frostproof	FL	\$5,666.14
Yes	First Christian Church-Wauchula	Wauchula	FL	\$5,004.00
	Georgianna United Methodist Church	Merritt Island	FL	\$5,000.00
Yes	Christian Church in the Wildwood	Weeki Wachee	FL	\$4,999.92
Yes	Poinciana Christian Church	Kissimmee	FL	\$4,719.19
	First Christian Church - Ruskin	Ruskin	FL	\$4,699.91
Yes	Central Christian Church-St. Petersburg	Saint Petersburg	FL	\$4,676.80
Yes	First Christian Church-Titusville	Titusville	FL	\$4,450.00
	South Lake Christian Church	Groveland	FL	\$4,400.00
Yes	Kissimmee Christian Church	Kissimmee	FL	\$3,960.00
	First Christian Church of Margate	Margate	FL	\$3,823.38
Yes	Lakeport Church of Christ	Moore Haven	FL	\$3,700.00
Yes	New Day Christian Church-Fort Myers	Fort Myers	FL	\$3,600.00
Yes	Sarasota Christian Church	Sarasota	FL	\$3,600.00
Yes	First Christian Church-Seminole	Seminole	FL	\$3,530.00
	Cornerstone Christian Church-Deltona	Deltona	FL	\$3,048.25
Yes	Real Life Christian Church-Clermont	Clermont	FL	\$3,000.00
Yes	Crossroads Christian Church-Largo	Largo	FL	\$3,000.00





Community and conversations happen around the table.

Church Giving*

10/1/2022 thru 9/30/2023

Corp Mem.	Church	City		Total Giving
Yes	First Christian Church-Clearwater	Clearwater	FL	\$2,869.30
Yes	East Tampa Christian Church	Tampa	FL	\$2,728.00
Yes	Capri Christian Church	Naples	FL	\$2,500.00
	Community Christian Church - Tamarac	Tamarac	FL	\$2,500.00
Yes	Journey Christian Church-Apopka	Apopka	FL	\$2,400.00
Yes	Encounter Christian Church-Winter Park	Winter Park	FL	\$2,400.00
Yes	Cornerstone Christian Church - Vero Beach	Vero Beach	FL	\$2,328.83
Yes	West Orange Christian Church	Orlando	FL	\$2,321.64
Yes	Vero Christian Church	Vero Beach	FL	\$2,250.04
	North Citrus Christian Church	Citrus Springs	FL	\$1,981.68
Yes	Zephyr Christian Church	Zephyrhills	FL	\$1,950.22
Yes	Southside Christian Church-Sarasota	Sarasota	FL	\$1,873.92
	Eastside Christian Church	Lake Placid	FL	\$1,768.00
Yes	Crosspoint Christian Church-Cape Coral	Cape Coral	FL	\$1,500.00
Yes	Southside Christian Church-Fort Pierce	Fort Pierce	FL	\$1,500.00
Yes	Murdock Christian Church	Port Charlotte	FL	\$1,300.00
Yes	Dade City Christian Church	Dade City	FL	\$1,100.00
	Westport Christian Church	Port St Lucie	FL	\$1,073.00
Yes	Sebring Christian Church	Sebring	FL	\$1,000.00
Yes	Northeast Christian Church-Kissimmee	Kissimmee	FL	\$800.00
	Northside Christian Church-Fruitland Park	Fruitland Park	FL	\$750.00
Yes	First Christian Church-Homosassa	Homosassa Springs	FL	\$684.07
Yes	New Beginnings Christian Church-Lakeland	Lakeland	FL	\$659.95
Yes	New Life Christian Church	Spring Hill	FL	\$450.00
	Fellowship of the Hills	Blairsville	GA	\$400.00
	Forest Dale Church of Christ	Cincinnati	OH	\$350.00
	Okeechobee Christian Church	Okeechobee	FL	\$325.00
	River Run Christian Church-Brevard	Melbourne	FL	\$276.14
	Port St. Lucie Christian Church	Port Saint Lucie	FL	\$200.00
Yes	Community Christian Church-Clewiston	Clewiston	FL	\$75.00
Total Church Giving				<u>\$ 257,636.48</u>

29 Corp Member Churches not listed out of 74



*Does not include individual or class giving

Partnership...

What it means to be a Supporting, Sending, and Serving Church.

Owner Church Agreement

Membership into the corporation of Lake Aurora Christian Assembly, Inc. (dba Lake Aurora Christian Camp & Retreat Center) is defined as an independent Christian Church that has been approved by the Board of Trustees and is in good standing with the Christian Church/Church of Christ fellowship in the central Florida region.

Churches in the membership of Lake Aurora Christian Assembly, Inc. have the following privileges:

1. Entitled to appoint two representatives of the congregation to vote in the annual meeting that elects the Board of Trustees and/or any approval of capital transactions of Real Property.
2. Members of owner churches are eligible for election to the Board of Trustees.
3. Receive "Aurora Buck" discounts for summer camp for unlimited use and outreach.
4. Participation in a quality Christ-centered camping program for all ages in a safe environment with trained dedicated Christian men and women.

The Board of Trustees desires to encourage churches to develop its membership involvement to one of **partnership**.

The characteristics and components of a **Partnership** are threefold:

- A **Supporting** church agrees to financially support the programs and operation of Lake Aurora Christian Camp.
- A **Sending** church promotes Lake Aurora's summer camp program, as well as its year round educational opportunities for all ages. It provides updates and needs of the camp to the congregation as a whole by appointing a Lake Aurora Ambassador to be its promotional liaison.
- A **Serving** church provides volunteers to assist with summer camp programs, work project volunteers, or other facility/program related volunteers.

The **goal** is to have our member churches be **active** in **all three components**.

In return these **Partnership** churches receive the additional benefits of:

1. *Discounted rates* when holding retreats on the property.
2. *No charge for day use* (church picnics) on the camp property (subject to availability).
3. *Discounted rates* for Leadership Development elements (Challenge Course & Paintball)
4. *Complimentary personal retreats* for church staff (subject to availability).



Lakeside drive and playground at sunset.

Tent Peg

Small but mighty tool to fund future ministry



A Stronghold for the ministry

Preserving the Past...

Tent Pegs

...Securing the Future

"Roots Secure - Branching Out"

Tent Pegs preserve the past but they also secure the future!

Currently over \$1.1 million saved!
Goal: Build "Oak Hammock" debt free!
Sitework to begin by end of 2023.

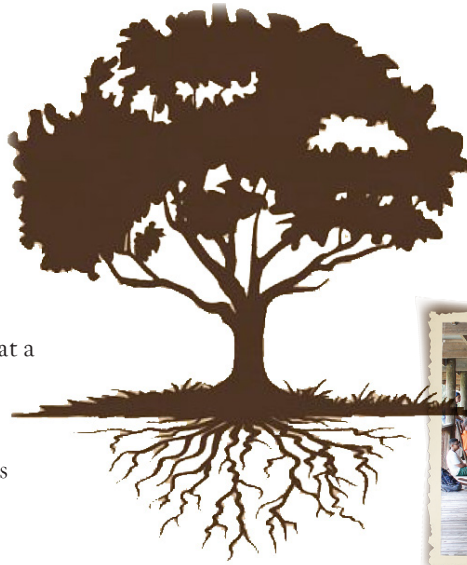
Here's how to help...

Any amount counts, as Tent Pegs are driven one hammer blow at a time. However, here are some suggestions:

\$25 per month for three or more years

Tent Peg Units can be the combination of several hammer blows to equal:

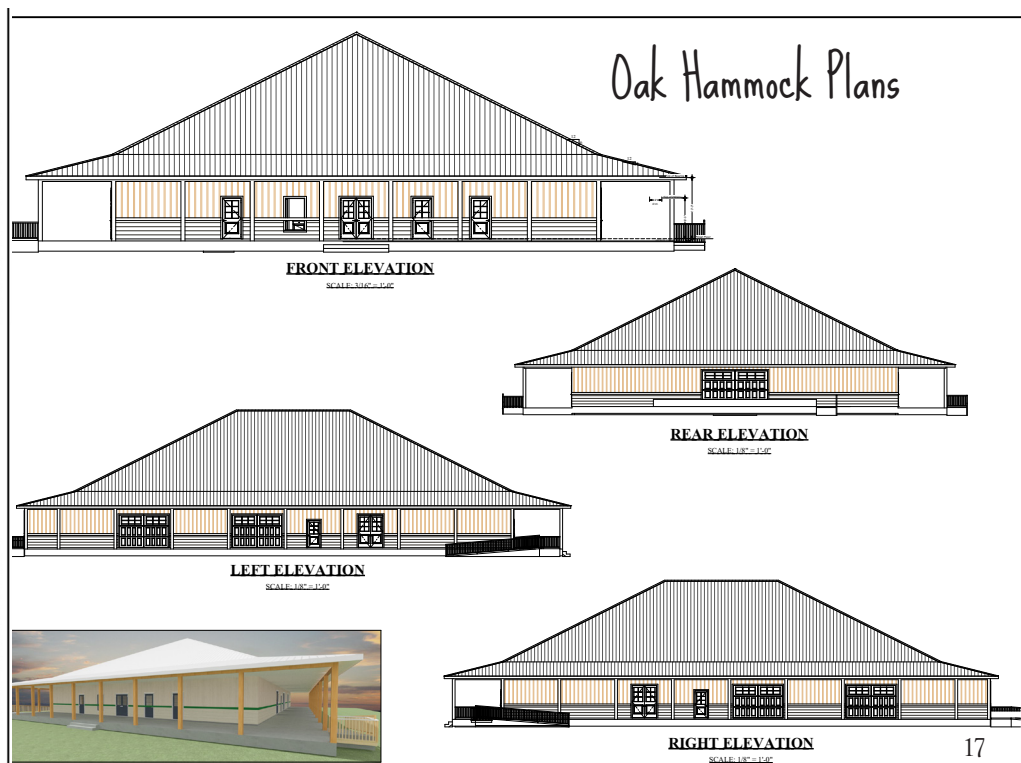
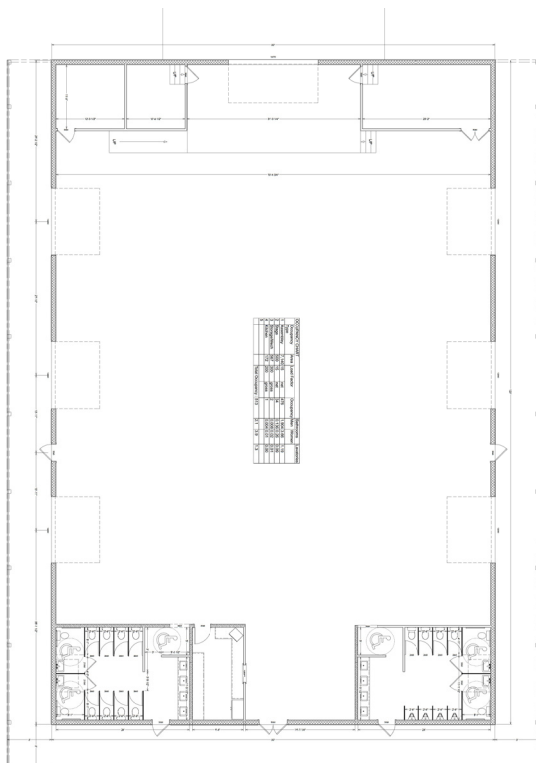
- 1 Tent Peg unit = \$25/month
- 2 Tent Peg units = \$50/month
- 4 Tent Peg units = \$100/month



God blesses our efforts when we work together for His glory!



Sign up using the qr code & drive your tent peg a month at a time or *all at once!*



Oak Hammock Plans

FRONT ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

REAR ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

LEFT ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

RIGHT ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

Donors

Other contributions including
Tent Pegs, Aurora Lights, Groups,
& any 'non church' gifts

10/1/2022 thru 9/30/2023



The lake and it's endless opportunities for adventure!

\$15,000 & up

Miles Judah
Natalie's Orchid Island Juice Co.

\$10,000 - \$14,999

M/M Joshua Fell
James Wyatt

\$5,000 - \$9,999

M/M H. Michael Adams
Axley Family Giving Fund
M/M Aaron Fusselman
Martha B Heine
Leigh Judah
Mary A Kazmierczak
M/M Darren Key
Thomas Pate
M/M Z. Quandt
M/M Gerald Wilgus
Garnet Willis

\$2,000 - \$4,999

Pat C Bender
M/M Stephen Bornemann
Joy Dance
M/M Kerry Eastridge
M/M Lee Folsom
M/M Rob Freedman
Deborah Graves
M/M Michael Jansma
Tamara Johnson
Katelyn Koschewa
Joseph Lewis
Alyce Littiken
M/M Josh Mocherman
Hurbert & Yvonne Morrow
Ronald Tungate

\$500 - \$1,999

Nathaniel Abernathy
BUTLER AND BOYD PA
Fidelity Charitable

Wauchula, FL
Ft Pierce, FL

Lake Wales, FL
Orlando, FL

Ft Myers, FL
Lake Mary, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Orlando, FL
Tampa, FL
Tallahassee, FL
Sanford, FL
Palm Coast, FL
Oviedo, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Grand Island, FL

Cape Canaveral, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Decatur, GA
Fort Myers, FL
Eustis, FL
Clearwater, FL
Bradenton, FL
Clearwater, FL
South Pasadena, FL
Washington, DC
Holiday, FL
Groveland, FL
Sarasota, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Lakeland, FL

Longwood, FL
Tampa, FL
Cincinnati, OH

Christian Financial Resources

\$500 - \$1,999 Continued

Christian Messengers Class
M/M Mark Clark
Encouragers Class
Volunteers Class
M/M Andrew D'Amico
Doug Doudney
M/M Dale Girardin
Sally Guy
Curtis Hagens
Carroll Hendley
Lamar Hinson
Becky Hogan
Lois Huguley
Michelle Hurst
M/M Al Lay
Rebecca Leeman
M/M Isaac Leonard
M/M John Martinelli
M/M Bill Martinelli
M/M Jim Massing
David McGrew
M/M Jason Mocherman
Luke Mocherman
Fredric Moore
M/M Timothy Paul
Eloise Pitts
Joe & Cindy Poster
M/M Jim Powers
M/M TJ Raigoza
M/M S. Reyes
David Rhodes
Linda Roberts
M/M R. L. Roller
M/M Brett Shirley
M/M Logan Smith
South Florida Get Together
Dave & Valerie Thompson
Robert Vigna
Brad Weaver
M/M Mike Whitney
Dr./Mrs. Darin Wolfe

Lake Mary, FL

Fort Myers, FL
Greenfield, IN
Eustis, FL
Titusville, FL
Madison, AL
Orlando, FL
Homosassa, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Sarasota, FL
Concord, CA
Winter Garden, FL
Orlando, FL
Port Charlotte, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Cambridge City, IN
Marion, IN
Sykesville, MD
Vero Beach, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Sarasota, FL
Spring Hill, FL
Sarasota, FL
Alexandria, VA
Avon Park, FL
Bartow, FL
Clermont, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Lakeland, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Ocala, FL
Arcadia, FL
Sebastian, FL
Burnettsville, IN
Lovettesville, VA
Westerville, OH

Windsor, CA
Punta Gorda, FL
Cape Coral, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Maitland, FL





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10/1/2022 thru 9/30/2023

Never underestimate the courage of a camper.

\$50 - \$499

2nd Look Consulting, LLC
Aquatic Weed Management, inc.
Donna Ardito
Kimberly Atkinson
Denise Barlow
Colleen Barneman
M/M B. Beamer
Charles Bledsoe
M/M Jim Book
Betty Boyd
M/M Eldridge Bradley
Mary Bruzik
Kimberley Butler
Elizabeth Camp
Louise Carden
Shannon Carrigan
Cynthia L Caulkins
Donald Charon
M/M Randy Chesnut
Richard Chestnut
Tina Church
M/M Larry Clark
Phyllis Conte
Carol Cook
Ed & Nina Cruz
Carrie ES Dantzler
Bonnie Dorsey
Eric Eastman
Rachel Elliott
Dorothy Eunson
Ewing, Blackwelder & Duce Ins.
Jenniffer Ferguson
Ellen Flowers
Marianne Galloway
Robin Garcia
Nathan Goodlet
M/M Gary Gramlich
Carolynn Grammas
M/M Jeff Greene
M/M Ken Groff
Larry Grubbs
Julie Guiss

Bradenton, FL
Haines City, FL
Eustis, FL
Tampa, FL
Punta Gorda, FL
Palm Bay, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Glen Burnie, MD
Kissimmee, FL
Lakeland, FL
Clearwater, FL
Lehigh Acres, FL
Apollo Beach, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Palatka, FL
Ruskin, FL
Nalcrest, FL
Defuniak Springs, FL
Oldsmar, FL
Fort Myers, FL
Converse, IN
Sebring, FL
Tampa, FL
Clearwater, FL
Port Saint Lucie, FL
Fort Myers, FL
Cape Coral, FL
Buford, GA
Orlando, FL
Lakeland, FL
Mount Dora, FL
Sebastian, FL
Clearwater, FL
Tampa, FL
Murphy, NC
Lake Wales, FL
Annapolis, MD
Noblesville, IN
Lakeland, FL
Tampa, FL
Ocala, FL

\$50-\$499 continued

Sylvia Hafling
Edward Haines
Janet Harman
Jeff & Celia Harper
Juanita Hartley
Glen Haun
Coni Hebert
Helping His Hands Disaster Response Inc. Vincennes, IN
Cw Hemingway
Judy Herring
Karen Hite
Kevin Hudson
M/M Mark Hughs
Aleshia Humphries
M/M Denes Husty III
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Cynthia Kenworthy
Patricia Kessler
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M/M Christopher Marsden
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Timothy Massing
M/M A. McGaffigan
Carole Mckenzie Family
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Ministry Insurance, LLC
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Connie Morgan
Peter Pappas
Lee Paver
Trudy Perkins
Hannah Platz
Bill & Wendy Redmon
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Brenda Schmitt
Bradenton, FL
Port Saint Lucie, FL
Clermont, FL
Findlay, OH
Sebring, FL
Seffner, FL
Richmond Hill, GA
Vincennes, IN
Zephyrhills, FL
New Port Richey, FL
Oviedo, FL
Melbourne, FL
Lake Mary, FL
Cocoa, FL
Fort Myers, FL
Jenison, MI
Crescent City, FL
Sarasota, FL
Sarasota, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Sarasota, FL
Benzonia, MI
Estero, FL
Logansport, IN
Orlando, FL
Sarasota, FL
Chicago, IL
Lakeland, FL
Winter Haven, FL
Wrightsville, GA
Lake Mary, FL
Sarasota, FL
Avon Park, FL
Sebastian, FL
Winter Park, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Anderson, IN
Fort Myers, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Mishawaka, IN
Bradenton, FL



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Adventure fundraising for the Stirring Waters Accessible Aquatic facility.

\$50-\$499 continued

Betsy Schnarre
Arianne Seidl
Mark & Sharon Shaneyfelt
Crista Short
Linda Sims
Daniel Smith
David Smith
Elizabeth Stelzer
Sherri Stiles
Julie Stough
Gregory Thomas
Tri-State Christian Fellowship
Steve Trinkle
Craig Tripp
Tabitha Tuccillo
Pamela Turner
Gail Vaccaro
Tammy Weaver
Judy Weeks
Robert Weeks
M/M Lyle Weinbrandt
Stanley West
Lynn West-Miller
Kathy Winstead
Holli Wood-rodgers
Bryan Wooley
Janet Worling
Mary Lou Ziglear
Kim Zimmerman

Lake Wales, FL
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Saint Cloud, FL
Bradenton, FL
Fort Pierce, FL
Midland, MI
Cape Coral, FL
Lake Wales, FL
Terre Haute, IN
Defuniak Springs, FL
Vero Beach, FL
Fort Myers, FL
Milledgeville, GA
Lake Wales, FL
Spruce Pine, NC
Sarasota, FL
Okatie, SC
Lake Wales, FL
Dayton, OH
Dover, FL
Lake Wales, FL
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Some fun "in kind" donations from our "Keeping the Cost Down"

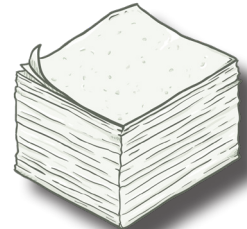
List:

654 Rolls of Toilet Paper



1,876 oz of Ketchup

22,620 Napkins



Our list that is promoted each summer season for gifts in kind.

"Keeping the Cost Down"

Every day type donations that help in a big way for summer camp!



We can never have too much of the following:

Toilet Paper	White Square Napkins
White Sugar	Ketchup
Qt. & Gal. Ziploc	Liquid Bleach

Other items that are much needed:

10X Powdered Sugar	Pancake Syrup
Light Brown Sugar	Elbow Macaroni
All Purpose Flour	Spaghetti pasta
Liquid Dish Soap	Laundry Detergent



Waterfront in the summer with a new inflatable "Can Do Mountain"





Enjoying the covered fishing deck.

Donor Options

Legacy Lamp Posts
 Memorial Brick Path
 Hillside Cabin Sponsor



Legacy Lamp Posts

A landscape project that lends itself to honoring legacy and allowing people to use it as a memorial/honoring piece.

A beautiful way to provide lighting around various areas of camp, especially coming out of the dining hall and the circle drive area for all guests including those with limited abilities.

Additional Lamp Posts will be placed on the path leading to the Lakeside campus and around the completed Hillside campus at a future date.

All existing lamp posts are named. We have three identified for the next installation and room for nine more.



Sponsor \$1,000

For more information on how to purchase a sponsorship contact the camp office or website.



Memory Brick Path

The "Walk of Faith".

Brick \$100

Create a lasting impression in a unique walkway located around the Redmon Ministry Center. Purchase an engraved brick to bear the name of a loved one, a child who attended camp, or in honor of an event.

Each stone in the walkway reminds us that common people have come in contact with an uncommon God in this holy place and their lives will never be the same.



Cabin Sponsorship

Seven of the 11 Cabins built since 2002

- **Philip** - Polk & Highlands Co
- **Andrew** - Hillsborough Co
- **Simon** - Osceola, Orange, Seminole Co
- **Bartholomew** - Lee & Collier Co
- **Thomas** - Northside Christian Church
- **James/John** - Indian River Co, Manatee, Sarasota, Desoto, Hardee, Charlotte Co.

Yet to be built...

After completing James and John, as a combined structure, we have decided to build the final four as only two separate buildings, reducing the structure's footprint on the Hillside campus but, more importantly, provide more efficient userspace. Adding a little more space to the floor plan will provide a common meeting area between the two housing spaces under one roof. Small retreat groups and summer camp will gain an additional indoor meeting space for inclement weather.

- **Matthew** - Citrus, Hernando, Sumter, Pasco, Lake Co.
- **Peter** - Individual sponsors churches
- **Thaddeus James, the Younger**



StirringWaters

at Lake Aurora Christian Camp

StirringWaters.World

StirringWaters took a giant step forward when we were approached in late 2022 by Rain Drop of Ashland, Ohio, who wanted to create the world's most disabilities inclusive splash play experience. Since that initial discussion, Rain Drop's team of designers and StirringWaters team of Therapists, parents, and aquatic professionals have created what may become the new Gold Standard for inclusive splash play. It is called Rain Forest Adventure.

StirringWaters is now looking for organizations or family foundations that would consider funding one of the major therapeutic elements. The four major therapy elements will cost about \$100K each and some other elements range from \$50K to \$75K.

The StirringWaters steering team has determined that when we have over \$500K ready to spend and more on the way, that we will break ground. Hopefully in early 2024.



Phase 1 of Project Intentional, interactive, accessible splash pad

Accessible Campus Addition



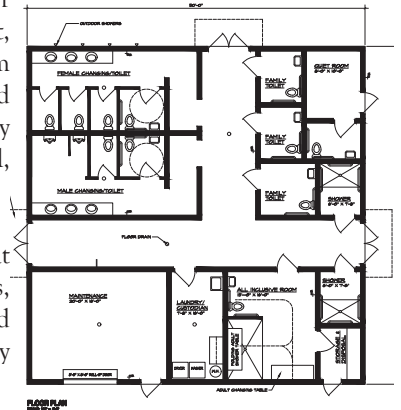
Thanks to our partnership with Removing the Barriers we now have available Eco Rover Track Chairs for our guests who are mobility impaired. With the track chairs the entire campus is now accessible to them.

StirringWaters Restrooms



When you think StirringWaters you cannot just say "restrooms that meet ADA." When your target guests have disabilities of many, many types, you have to think beyond anything that may exist in the State of Florida. Adult changing and shower areas, noise reductions, color schemes, lighting, guidance for people with vision impairment, mix gender rooms for the mom with the teenage son or the dad with the daughter, emergency procedures, temperature control, security, and the list goes on.

Fortunately, we have a great team working on the restrooms, beginning with an experienced designer who listens to our every concern.



Taking the GOOD NEWS to the whole world –

To the WORLD of people living with disabilities.



17 new bunkbeds in the Rose and Hibiscus dorms.

Statement of Activities & Financial Position

For the fiscal years ending
September 30, 2023 & 2022

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets



	<u>Year Ending September 30, 2023</u>			<u>Year Ending September 30, 2022</u>		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
Public Support and Revenue						
Retreat Hosting	664,179		664,179	477,584		477,584
Contributions	387,177	169,097	556,275	342,399	253,999	596,398
Summer Camp	411,674		411,674	401,708		401,708
Lake Aurora programs	83,621		83,621	72,322		72,322
Rental Income	12,011		12,011	4,450		4,450
Concessions (less expenses of \$40,676)	8,391		8,391	15,389		15,389
Fruit Sales	12,260		12,260	19,474		19,474
Other Income	30,229		30,229	143,774		143,774
Total Operating Income	1,609,542	169,097	1,778,640	1,477,099	253,999	1,731,098
Operating Costs & Expenses						
Program services:						
Food Service	415,534		415,534	322,214		322,214
Programming/Guest Relations	364,410		364,410	399,420		399,420
Accommodations	374,164		374,164	326,656		326,656
Support services:						
Management and general	232,573	(858)	231,715	218,269	3,148	221,417
Fund-Raising	15,965		15,965	9,813		9,813
Total Operating Costs & Expenses	1,402,646	(858)	1,401,788	1,276,372	3,148	1,279,520
Excess (deficit) of public support and revenue over expenses	206,897	169,955	376,852	200,727	250,851	451,578
Net Assets Released from Restrictions						
Program services	15,617	(16,475)	(858)	15,583	(15,583)	-
Capital Projects	170,412	(170,412)	-	44,584	(44,584)	-
Debt payment			-			-
Changes in Net Assets	392,926	(16,932)	375,994	260,894	190,684	451,578
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	2,784,762	522,658	3,307,420	2,523,868	331,974	2,855,842
Net Assets, End of Year	3,177,688	505,726	3,683,414	2,784,762	522,658	3,307,420



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Our acceptance into the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability is an assurance to friends and donors that we operate with sound business and accounting practices with strong ethical principles. We faithfully demonstrate compliance with established standards for financial accountability, fund-raising and board governance. It is a declaration that we are a worthy recipient of donor's financial trust.



Platinum
Transparency
2023

Candid.

Statement of Activities & Financial Position

For the fiscal years ending
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Three of the seven Hillside cabins. Four units still to be built.

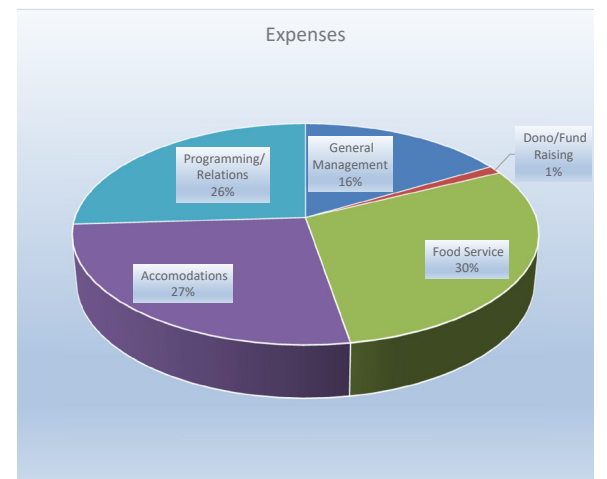
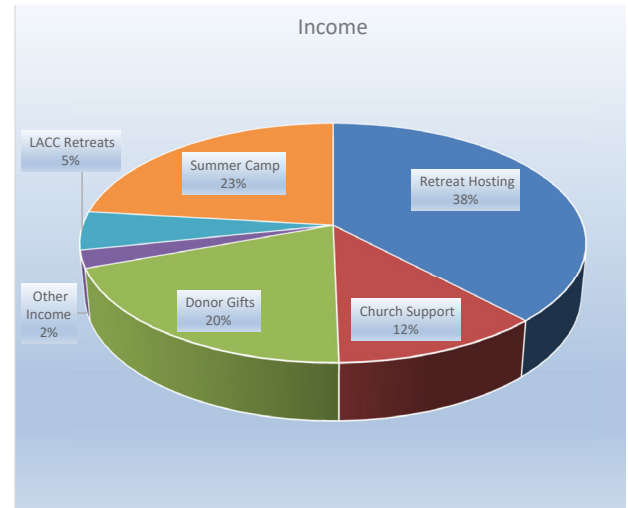


Statement of Functional Expenses

Operating & Support Expenses	Programming Accom-					Total
	Food Service	Guest Rel.	modations	Management	Fund Raising	
Salaries and benefits	111,809	184,792	185,617	86,459	10,495	579,172
Food Service	207,916	59				207,976
Depreciation & amortization	37,972	31,572	67,845	27,018		164,407
Facilities & related	57,002	32,890	74,167	49,989	855	214,903
Insurance		9,524	32,486			42,010
Interest						-
Office & related	835	49,894	14,049	53,234	4,615	122,626
Programming		55,679	0			55,679
Designated Funds used				15,873		15,873
Total Operating Costs & Expenses	415,534	364,410	374,164	232,573	15,965	1,402,646

Statement of Financial Position -- Fiscal year ending September 30, 2023 & 2022

	TOTAL	
	AS OF SEP 30, 2023	AS OF SEP 30, 2022 (PY)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts	\$1,289,024.40	\$1,045,925.78
Accounts Receivable		
1210 Accounts Receivable (A/R)	62,387.84	29,900.66
Total Accounts Receivable	\$62,387.84	\$29,900.66
Other Current Assets		
1200 Accounts Receivable - Misc	7,782.29	740.72
1230 Prepaid Worker's Compensation	2,550.18	3,336.71
1240 Prepaid Commercial Insurance	15,977.54	11,487.58
1260 Inventory - Food Service	4,324.85	5,153.65
1270 Inventory - Concessions	22,623.56	16,157.58
Total Other Current Assets	\$53,258.42	\$36,878.24
Total Current Assets	\$1,404,670.66	\$1,112,702.68
Fixed Assets	\$2,397,487.02	\$2,312,194.25
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,802,157.68	\$3,424,896.93
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$33,528.63	\$16,176.58
Credit Cards	\$4,997.32	\$3,435.19
Other Current Liabilities		
2030 Summer Camp Mission payable	0.00	555.00
2040 Deposit on Facilities	28,871.00	44,323.00
2060 Accrued Payroll	18,286.81	12,887.83
2070 Payroll Tax Payable	1,053.45	795.23
2110 403(b) payable	0.00	786.38
2115 Aflac payable	42.12	48.72
2120 Copier lease	27,835.97	34,127.50
2300 Reserve Gift Annuities		
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$80,217.60	\$97,882.17
Total Current Liabilities	\$118,743.55	\$117,493.94
Total Liabilities	\$118,743.55	\$117,493.94
Equity	\$3,683,414.13	\$3,307,402.99
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$3,802,157.68	\$3,424,896.93



Audited financial statements will
be available January 2024





Designated Funds

For the fiscal year ending
September 30, 2023

Inside the Lakeside Chapel. Original building from 1947.

Designated Funds September 30, 2023

<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>10/01/22 Balance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Disbursed</u>	<u>Adj</u>	<u>09/30/23 Balance</u>
Bornemann	2,989	100	833		2,256
Bricks	2,786	300	-		3,086
Camp Scholarships	9,248	4,428	6,415		7,261
Chapel Porch	2,095				2,095
Cabins	16,091				16,091
The Hammock	153,935		142,182		11,753
Miscellaneous	3,083	12,325	11,530		3,878
Stirring Waters	98,347	16,612	-		114,959
Tent Pegs	214,278	121,151	-		335,429
Legacy Lamp Post	2,205	800	1,964		1,041
WWTP connection	3,750				3,750
Women's Retreat Offering	10,580	13,382	23,962		(0)
Temporary Restricted Assets	519,387	169,097	186,887	-	501,598
Gift Annuity Reserve	6,419			(2,291)	4,128
Total Temporary Restricted	525,806	169,097	186,887	(2,291)	505,726

Net Assets released

Program restrictions	16,475
Capital Projects	170,412
Debt Payment Restrictions	-
Annuity retirement	-
	<u>186,887</u>



Clearing area where Oak Hammock will be built.





2023

TRUSTEES OF LAKE AURORA CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, INC

East Area (East of U.S. 27)

NAME	CHURCH	TERM	
		BEGAN	ENDS
Chuck Babbino	Real Life Christian, Mt Dora	2019	2024
Steve Greshel	Christ's Church on the Move, Lake Wales	2020	2025
Bob Mehlenbacher	Kissimmee Christian	2021	2023
Jack Merrill	Poinciana Christian	2023	2025
Brian Palmer	Lake Eustis Christian	2020	2025
Todd Thomas	Sebastian Christian	2021	2023

West Area (West of U.S. 27)

NAME	CHURCH	TERM	
		BEGAN	ENDS
Kim Atkinson	New Beginnings, Tampa	2019	2023
Jen Canary	First Christian, Wauchula	2019	2023
Tim Paul	Legacy Christian, Lakeland	2022	2024
Keith Smith	Dade City Christian	2023	2025

A father with the opportunity to baptize his daughter at senior high camp.



Excerpts - By-laws of Lake Aurora Christian Assembly, Inc. regarding Trustees

Article VII

Section 1. - "The business, property and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Trustees"

Section 2.

- a. "The Board of Trustees shall have not more than sixteen (16) nor less than three (3) persons."
- b. "An effort shall be made to maintain an equal number Trustees from Member Congregations located East and West of US Highway #27."

Section 3.

The Trustees shall be elected by Representatives from Member Congregations at the annual meeting during the month of October.

Membership Congregations in the Corporation are defined in Article V of the Bylaws.



Enjoying the waterfront in the summer.

Lake Aurora...

A ministry for you & your family

Exciting events for adults and families to enjoy during 2023 & Spring 2024

- 1) ♦ Mother/Daughter Retreat
October 6-7
- 2) ♦ Father/Son Retreat & Camp Out Extension
November 17-18/18-19
- 3) ♦ "WONDER" High School Retreat -
On pause for 2024
- 4) ♦ "Ascent 2024" Young Adult Retreat
January 4,5,6
- 5) ♦ Bob Miller Memorial Golf Classic ~ Lake Wales
February 10
- 6) ♦ Men's Retreat - Keynote: Arron Chambers, CO
March 1-2
- 7) ♦ Young at Heart Day - Jim Book, FL
March 7
- 8) ♦ Father/Son Reconnect
TBD
- 9) ♦ Women's Retreats - April 12-13 April 13-14
Keynote: Betty Gray/Love Lockman
- 10) ♦ Open House for Summer Camp
May 19
- 11) ♦ Camp Friendship - Summer Edition
June 30-July 2, 2024
- 12) Create your own Service/Mission Project
Contact us to schedule a "WorkDay" for your church or
small group.



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13 acres of the campus is still a working grove providing extra revenue, aroma, barrier, and nostalgia.





Summer Camp 2024

Four tracks of life changing summer programs

*Preceding letters (L & H) indicate campus. CW means "campus wide" using the both Hillside and Lakeside
 Numbers indicate grade entering in the fall of 2024

Resident camps available on two campuses (Hillside/Lakeside) at Lake Aurora plus off site primitive resident camps.

Lakeside Campus ~

Camper capacity 126-140 per program

Campus/Grade

L123a	June 13-14
L123b	July 25-26
L234	June 30-July 3
L345	June 9-13
L456	July 21-25
L567	June 16-21
CW678	June 23-28
(combined with Hillside Campus)	
L678a	July 14-19
L678b	July 28-Aug 2
CW9-12	July 7-12
(combined with Hillside Campus)	

Hillside Campus ~

Camper capacity 45-56 per program

Campus/Grade

H345	June 16-20
H456a	July 14-18
H456b	July 28-Aug 1

Specialty Camps

Girls' Sports Camp	
Volleyball/Soccer	July 21-25
Camp Friendship	
Special Needs	June 30-July 2

Life Expeditions* ~

A variety of primitive wilderness experiences from the scrub woods and rivers of central Florida and stretching from the springs to the keys.

**Dates/Programs are tentative and are subject to change.*

Voice in the Wilderness	
4-6 Grade	June 16-20
Peace River trip	
Canoe Camp 7-9 Grades	June 7-11
Canoe Camp 8-10 Grades	July 28-Aug 1
Big Trip	
9-12 Grades	June 23-28
Spiritual Survival Camp	
9-12 Grades	July 14-19

Leadership Training ~

One to two week programs for those campers seeking to be a true servant-leader for Christ.

Big M.A.C. - Maturing As Christians	June 9-14	Grades 8 & 9
WHOLE -Wilderness Hands On Leadership Experience	June 14-20	Grades 10-12
Aquatics Leaders - Leadership & Red Cross Lifeguard Training	June 3-7	(15 yrs & older)

Alpha Program - Grades 9-12 Interning in support positions for summer camp in two week sessions.

A - Session: June 9-21

B - Session: June 23-July 3

C - Session: July 7-19

D - Session: July 21-Aug 2

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Elements revealed in tree



We know that prayer is the most important ingredient of all. It was through your prayers this summer that wisdom, safety, health, and impact were present. Nothing is too big for our God to transform and redeem. It is our hope that God 'revealed' His will and purpose to all that participated in camp this summer.

What does the 2023 logo represent?

"The primary graphic elements point to the garden and the proto-evangelism, the revealing of the gospel back in Genesis 3:15, that the Seed of the woman will crush the head of the serpent through the cross. Beautiful. The serpent is on the opposite side of the Bible, symbolizing his opposition to the Word and the spread of the gospel throughout the world, but the preeminence of the cross in the center reminds us that the Lamb triumphs over the world, death, and Satan."

Regarding other hidden elements:

To see God's creation is to see God. "But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you, or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish in the sea inform you. Which of all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind." Job 12:7-10

Hidden Elements:

THE LAKE AURORA TREE, full of roots past and future

Boat with an oar - "Galilean Boat"

Arrow/bow - lots of analogies plus a traditional camp activity

Squirrel - because we have a million

Heron (because they live here year-round)

Camp bell (heritage)

Heart - the changed heart while here at camp

Snake - opposition to the Word as revealed in Genesis

Bible - Spreading the Gospel

Cross - Christ's triumph



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