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# **CAMP NEWS**

#### **Summer Camp 2012**

For the first time ever, PLFC hit the 200 mark. 200 campers attended summer camp at Pine Lake Fellowship Camp during the regular sessions of camp. In addition to these 200 campers, 78 campers attended during the two weeks in July which is hosted for our neighboring conference, Good News Fellowship. Our summer staff was hard at work as God worked through them to minister to the 278 campers this summer. In addition to swimming, boating, and recreation (once



ing together while abiding in the vine.

and Staff and campers are working and playstaff reflected

on how to *Abide in the Vine*, this year's theme. When asked what they learned this year, one camper said, "that God is the vine and we are the branches and we can't live without Him!" Another said, "We need to stay attached to Jesus."

When surveying parents about why they send their children to Pine Lake's summer program, one shared this story: *In the past* we had paid a lot of money to send our

children to a camp with more activities and nicer cabins. Then we returned to Pine Lake last year because our budget

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Boating - another favorite camp activity

was tight. When we offered them their choice for this summer, they chose Pine Lake! We asked them why, and they said the people were nice and they learned a lot about the Bible! What a wonderful testimony!

Another first this year was the number of scholarships handed out. The Pine Lake Summer Camp Scholarship Fund was able to assist 65 campers in getting to camp this year. The most ever given out in a summer was \$2500, and this year we handed out \$4300! God knew the need would be there and provided many generous donors this year...more than we thought we even needed.

Thanks to the many volunteers including our Leaders in Training, cooks, pastors, nurses, many who hosted special meals for our staff, and others. Together we have been blessed to be able to provide a meaningful summer camp experience for 278 children.

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#### Tall Pine Fellowship Center Update

Since the last issue of *Camp News*, Tall Pines has been in a waiting stage. Plans are being revised as to how to proceed with construction on the lodging end of the building.

It's been fun to give tours to supporters and to hear their excitement as they get a real look at what Tall Pines Fellowship Center is becoming.

#### Church Fund-Raisen

It's also been fun to hear about churches actively working to raise money to support

this project. Each GSMC church has been asked to do one fund-raiser. Some plans we've heard about include hosting a yard sale, bake sale, and Services for Sale event. We look forward to reporting the creative ways people find to partner with us to raise money for Tall Pines Fellowship Center.

## It's not too soon to start thinking about CAMP SALE

October 6, 2012 in Des Allemands, LA

More information will be coming next month-look for the special Camp Sale addition of *Camp News* in August.

Are you working on your camp sale contribution?

#### Pine Lake Fellowship Camp Calendar of Events

September 1-3 Family Camp September 14-16 Youth Rally

September 21-21 Pastor-Spouse Retreat

October 6 Camp Sale
November 9-10 Board Retreat



Summer campers enjoying a cook out.



- A projector screen
- Copy machine for the office
- Laser printer for the office
- White sheets for Lake View Lodge
- Kitchen Utility Cart (approx.\$200)
- A small tractor
- Financial gifts towards general funds or Growing the Pines

