

Jeff and Old Boney Mountain Hot Sauce,

Thank you so much for your financial support and sending students to this year's 2017 summer camp at Forest Home! Your contributions allowed for 6 students to participate who otherwise would not have attended. The opportunity also allowed for a more meaningful time for the entire group of 35 middle and high school campers and counselors. Among those you and Boney Mountain Hot Sauce helped support was a large foster family and a single-parent household. I wish I could adequately express on behalf of the foster-care mother her joy when she learned she could send 4 of her children to camp for a week. For three of the six students who attended this summer, this was the first week away at any camp. For another it was the first time she was exposed to a Christian camp where leaders cared for what she felt and thought. In her perspective as a high schooler, the week was so much more than games but a positive and meaningful time with God and new friends.

The week was also an invitation for change and decisions. Here are some of the responses students gave when asked: ***This week I decided to...***

- "Practice to be a missionary like my sister"
- "To be more obedient"
- "Pray more of the time"
- "To try to make my relationship with God stronger"
- "Get along with my family...I realize since coming to camp I have been in a deep depression but realize I'm loved and that God has a plan for me and my family."
- "I feel no more anxiety here at camp and I want to carry the things I feel at camp back home and live a better, fuller life."

And so Jeff, and all those who helped make this past summer camp possible, a huge thank you for your heart and partnership!

In Gratitude,



-Matt Elam  
Associate Pastor of Youth and Mission

