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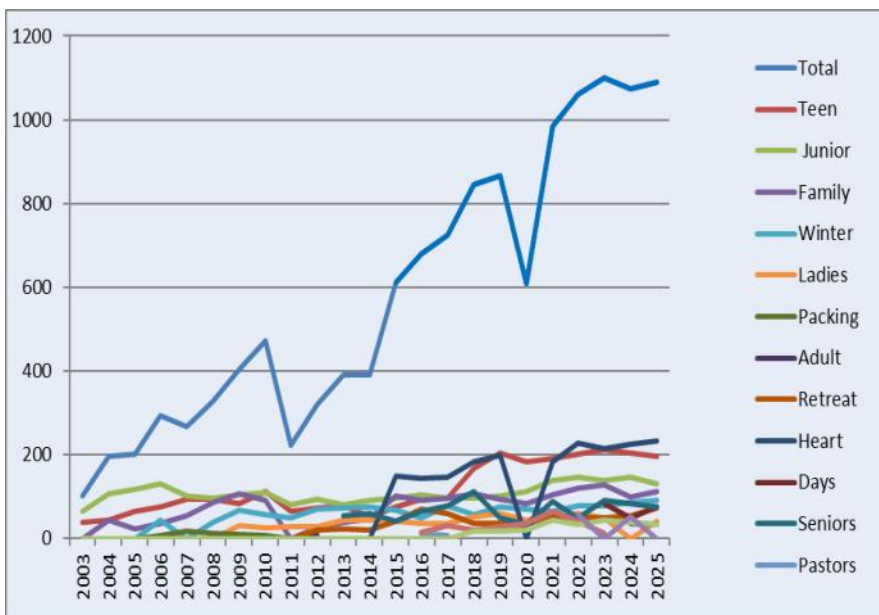


December 2025

Helping you to feel the Pulse of Servant's Heart

Lodge Progress

Since our last newsletter, some visible progress has been made on the lodge. In October the upper decks were sealed (see lower picture at right). We are pleased with the results. Railings for those decks should be installed in the first few weeks of December. The major progress, however, was the installation of the A-frame windows in the front of the lodge. There is a total of twenty windows, and some of them weigh over 300 pounds! As you can imagine, this installation was quite the task to accomplish. We are thankful the Lord provided safety throughout the process. The next step we hope to complete before next spring is installation of three-phase electric to the lodge site. You can read more about this on the reverse of this newsletter and on our website. It is amazing to see how far the lodge has come this year. God deserves all of the glory!



Now Is Your Chance!

Yes, for real! You can do it! When I presented some data to our board members recently, I realized we had 1,089 campers in 2025, which is eleven less campers than we had two years ago. Although that equates to about a 1% loss, it is still a decrease. The major attendance drops we have experienced in the past were due to moving to the new property without utilities in 2011 and COVID-19 in 2020. The latest decrease in campers does not seem to have a obvious cause. While at a conference recently, I asked a pastor who had brought teens to camp for several years in a row but did not this past year, "What did we do wrong?" I also asked a youth pastor who brought a

group of teens to camp for the first time this summer if he was coming back next summer. I want to ask you the same question. What could we do to ensure that we would not lose any additional campers? Yes, please go ahead and share your comment, constructive criticism, and concern by phone, email, or letter. We would truly love to hear from you!

Three-Phase Electric Needed



When we brought utilities on the property in 2014 (picture at left), we thought we were being very proactive in making provision for electric, water, internet, and sewer. However, as careful as we were, we did not envision that we would need three-phase power for the lodge. Now, the people working on the mechanicals are telling us that although we could possibly get by with single-phase, in the long run it would be far better and more efficient with three-phase. We talked to all the individuals involved with the process, and the estimated total cost is \$75,000. We are obtaining the right-of-way from those at Rails to Trails, and they would prefer for us to complete the work before next spring. We certainly want to accommodate their kindness in allowing us to use the area along the Rails to Trails for our conduit, so our goal is to raise the \$75,000 before December 31st. Thank you for prayerfully considering this need!

Teen Winter Retreats



Our Teen Winter Retreats are next month already! We are excited to bring teenagers together for a few days of fun, fellowship, food, and following the Lord in the next spiritual step. Please consider joining us for the Color Craze!

Joyful Heart Conference

Although this ladies' conference is not until March 21st, the limit is 225 ladies and it often fills by the first week of February. Register early and don't miss the boat!



2026 Dates

January 18	Mount Zion Baptist	Bible Quizzing	July 6-10	Servant's Heart	Junior Camp 2
January 22-24	Camp Susque	Teen Winter Retreat	July 13-18	Servant's Heart	Teen Camp 3
January 29-31	Camp Susque	Teen Winter Retreat	July 20-25	Servant's Heart	Teen Camp 4
February 15	North Hills Bible	Bible Quizzing	July 27-31	Servant's Heart	Junior Camp 3
March 21	Faith Bible	Joyful Heart	August 6-8	Servant's Heart	Young Adult Retreat
March 22	Mtn. View Bible	Bible Quizzing	August 20-22	Servant's Heart	Father-Son Retreat
April 18	Faith Bible	Youth Rally	August 28-29	Servant's Heart	Men's Retreat
May 14-16	Servant's Heart	Spring Work Days	Sept. 10-12	Servant's Heart	Fall Work Days
May 25 - June 7	Servant's Heart	Staff Training	October 15-17	Camp Susque	Ladies' Retreat
June 5	Servant's Heart	Young at Heart			
June 8-13	Servant's Heart	Teen Camp 1			
June 15-20	Servant's Heart	Teen Camp 2			
June 22-26	Servant's Heart	Junior Camp 1			
June 29-July 1	Servant's Heart	Family Camp 1			
July 2-4	Servant's Heart	Family Camp 2			

Don't forget to mark the dates, register, and pray for each one of these events!