

*2025 ANNUAL REPORT*  
*OF THE*



*CHINA LAKE CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER*

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# **China Lake Camp Board of Directors**

## **2025 Officers**

President: Vacant - Acting President - Dan Washburn

Vice President: Vacant

Secretary: Cara Jurczak – Cornerstone Christian Fellowship

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Treasurer: Dan Washburn – Litchfield Plains Baptist Church

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Financial Secretary: Vacant

Duties temporarily filled by Stephanie Hansen, Camp Director

At-large: Luke Washburn - Litchfield Plains Baptist Church

At-large: Darold Dunham - Hope Concord Community Church, Concord NH

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## **2025 Ex Officio Members**

Stephanie Hansen, Camp Director – Court Street Baptist Church, Auburn

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## President's Report – 2025

What a wonderful camping season we have had in 2025. Amazing staff and volunteers shepherded a wonderful set of campers. God's hand was active and recognizable in all the programming. The kids/young adults experienced the Lord's abounding love. We cannot say thank you enough to all the hands and bowed heads that went into this year. His great blessing continues to be over the China Lake Camp.

Our Camp Director of many years, Stephanie Hansen, decided to step down at the end of the 2025 season. She and her family have given of themselves in ways that are immeasurable. We will certainly miss her, however instead of sadness we are celebrating her into the next phase of life. The good God who brought her to China Lake is still doing great things in her life. Continue to pray Joy and Peace into Stephanie and her family!

The Board of Directors has been working hard this year to assure the foundations of our people, our programs, and the China Lake properties. We have accomplished many needed property projects this year as well as a few unforeseen challenges. We invite you to visit us and see the many efforts that have been part of our stewardship this year. The China Lake Camp will be serving our Lord for years to come. Our camping, retreat, and event ministries are successfully meeting operational goals and preparing for an amazing 2026.

I end this report where I began, with immense gratitude. At its core China Lake Camp is a ministry. We seek to serve the Lord through service to others. Campers finding Jesus for the first time melts our hearts every year. Retreats that yield new experiences of faith, build our Christian communities. The churches that stand behind our efforts are also the home supports for all those who spend time at China Lake. Short stories at China Lake, lead to long stories at our local churches.

God Bless,

Dan Washburn, President



# China Lake Camp Director's Report 2025

## CONNECT

The 2025 Camping season had the theme of CONNECT. This summer we really did find special ways to connect with God, connect with campers, connect with staff, connect with other camps and church groups, and connect with time and memory and the beautiful nature God has placed us in. I was blessed to have been a part of the 2025 camping season and all the connections that were made.

We had 91 children and teens register for and attend our camping programs this summer; 31 Teen Camp campers, 28 Kids Camp campers, 7 Intro to Camp campers, 11 Boys Camp campers, & 14 Girls Camp Campers. We also supported two other groups as their site for summer camp; Northern New England Church of God's summer camp & Nazarene Kids Camp.

We were blessed with an amazing team for the summer. It was so wonderful to have a solid core team of staff & volunteers that committed to serve at China Lake Camp for the whole summer and amazing volunteers who came to serve at one or more weeks through the summer. Our core team was Stephanie Hansen (camp director), Cara Jurczak (program coordinator, assistant to director, coordinator of kitchen staff), Morgan Washburn (program coordinator & assistant to director), Sherry Cates (Nurse), Caroline Wheeler (Waterfront Director), Zoe Hutchins (Lifeguard/counselor), Cory Riojas (Archery instructor/counselor), & Andrew Hansen (property & maintenance). Each week was led by incredibly creative program coordinators; Morgan Washburn (Teen Camp), Jessica Sullivan (Kids Camp), Cara Jurczak (Intro to Camp), JP & Amber Guilerault (Boys Camp), and Cara Jurczak (Girls Camp).

During our weeks of camp each chapel time was rich with teachings helping kids connect with God on a deeper level with age appropriate lessons and discussions. Dan Washburn was our Teen Camp Chapel Speaker, Craig Vickerman was Kids & Intro to Camp Pastor, Nick Dumont was Boys Camp Pastor, and Amy Jajliardo was our Girls Camp Chapel speaker.

This summer we explored hiring someone to cater meals for our biggest weeks of camp (Teen Camp, Kids Camp, and ABW Summer Conference). Lori Dumont and her team rose to this opportunity. They brought food hot and ready to camp for each meal, served the food, and cleaned up. Bob Purington valiantly washed all the camper dishes for each week of camp! Our food service for 2025 ran smoothly and was delicious! We are thankful for this new connection!

Each week campers arrived and celebrated the renewal of old friendships and eagerly jumped into making new friendships! They enjoyed the beautiful hills of China Lake and the cool refreshing water in the lake. We all enjoyed cookouts and campfires. We made crafts and

learned new skills! Boys Camp and Girls Camp both had visits from the Maine State Game Wardens who taught them about wildlife and Maine nature. Each camper went home with excellent memories, excellent connections with God and new ways to connect with God and others when they got home!

2025 memories will remain with me and with those who served or attended camp for years to come. I thank God for all he has done here and will continue to do in each of our hearts.

Stephanie Hansen  
CLC Camp Director 2025



***"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another" Hebrews 10:24-25***

## **Scholarships**

Teen Camp - 5 campers -

## **China Lake Camp Volunteers for the Camping Programs 2025**

*(Name/Camp weeks)*

- |   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. Sherry Cates/All Camps (Nurse)       | 21. Camden Rineer/Kids/Intro, |
| 2. Amy Chase/Intro/Girls, Winter Camps, | 22. Cory Riojas/all,          |
| 3. Charles Flannery/Teen,               | 23. Bretteney Sanders/all,    |
| 4. Mercedes Gamage/Teen, Kids, Girls,   | 24. John Sullivan/Kids,       |
| 5. Sherry Grunder/Girls,                | 25. Jessica Sullivan/Kids,    |
| 6. Abby Grunder/Kids,                   | 26. Abby Sullivan/Kids,       |
| 7. Ben Hansen/Kids                      | 27. Phyllis Thorne/Teem,,     |
| 8. Ella Hansen/Kids, Kids Winter Camp,  | 28. Craig Vickerman/Kids,     |
| 9. Andrew Hansen/All, Winter Camps,     | 29. Alethea Vickerman/Kids    |
| 10. Stephanie Hansen/All, Winter Camps, | 30. Anna Vickerman/Kids,      |
| 11. Abby-Joy Heselton/Kids,             | 31. Andrew Vickerman/Kids,    |
| 12. Abi Hilton/Teen, Kids,              | 32. Dan Washburn/Teen,        |
| 13. Laurie Howell/Kids,                 | 33. Luke Washburn/All,        |
| 14. Kendra Hutchins/all,                | 34. Morgan Washburn/All,      |
| 15. Zoe Hutchins/All,                   | 35. Caroline Wheeler/All      |
| 16. Cara Jurczak/All,                   | 36. Mary Wheeler/Teen         |
| 17. DJ McKenzie/Teen,                   |                               |
| 18. Shandelle Merrill/                  |                               |
| 19. Delaney Nyberg/Kids, Intro,         |                               |
| 20. Bob Purington/All,                  |                               |

*\*\*\*This list does not include the countless individuals who came to help with property repairs, camp cleanups, workdays, special projects, and mowing the fields and fields of grass!*







# CALENDAR EVENTS SEPT 2024 – AUGUST 2025

## SEPTEMBER 2024

- Cornerstone Christian Fellowship Men's Retreat
- Caller Family Baby Shower
- CLC Annual Meeting

## OCTOBER

- Covenant Christian Football Team (PA) Overnight Lodging
- Celebration of life for Jennifer Stevenson's father - Music Teacher David Stevenson

## NOVEMBER

- Wayne Bengtson Celebration of Life
- Messiah's Congregation Contra Dance
- CLC Friendsgiving
- ABW Women's Day Event
- Messiah's Congregation Men's Bible Study

## DECEMBER

- Kennebec Baptist Association Christmas Concert
- Centerpoint Men's Retreat

## JANUARY 2025

- Centerpoint Church Staff Retreat
- Grace Christian School Gym Rental - Basketball Game
- Washburn Family - Lodging

## FEBRUARY

- Colby College Intervarsity Retreat
- FBC Waldoboro Winter Camp
- Central Church Gym Rental - Family event

## MARCH

- Kay Swetelle - Family Reunion - Multi day Gym Rental + lodging
- Tiffany Arselault - Basketball Night - Gym
- Erskine Girls Lacrosse Practice

## APRIL

- CLC spring workday
- American Baptist Churches of Maine Round Table Event - Gym
- Central Church Family Event - Gym
- Palm Sunday 316 Choir Event - Gym
- America Baptist Women of Maine Spring Rally - Gym

## MAY

- CLC spring workday

- Centerpoint Community Church Women's Retreat
- David Evette Room Rental - Hunting Trip
- Albion Youth Group Nerf War - Gym Rental
- Williams Cottage rental - Ann & Mike Hutchins

## JUNE

- Moose River Outpost Lifeguard lodging
- China Middle School 8th Grade Promotion
- Vassalboro Elementary School 8th Grade Promotion
- Hutchins Family Graduation Party - Zoe
- CLC Spring Workday
- CLC Teen Camp

## JULY

- Church of God Summer Camp
- CLC Boys Camp
- CLC Kids Camp
- CLC Intro to Camp
- Centerpoint Church Waterfront Worship Service and Baptisms
- Reed Family - Sanderson Rental
- Williams Cottage rentals - Ann & Mike Hutchins, John & Jessica Sullivan, Pastor Ken Smith (2 wks)

## AUGUST

- CLC Girls Camp
- American Baptist Women's Summer Conference
- Nazarene Church Kids Camp
- American Baptist Institute for Ministry (AIM) Weekend Class
- Centerpoint Church Waterfront Worship Service and Baptisms
- Williams Cottage rental - Nazarene Camp, Ann & Mike Hutchins
- East Benton Baptist Church Waterfront Rental - Baptisms and Picnic

## Ongoing Events throughout the year

- Messiah's Congregation Sunday Worship Service and Fellowship (Sept - April 2025)
- Healthy Heart Walking Program - M/W/F
- Soccer Team Practices / Dan Coleman
- Heritage Reformed - June 2025 - Current

# Financial Report 2025

## **China Lake Camp**

### **Balance Sheet**

**9/30/2025**

#### **Assets**

Camp Checking	115,497.67
Camp Savings	<u>13,431.09</u>

**Total Assets** **128,928.76**

#### **Liabilities**

Camp Scholarship Fund	2,421.55
Hale Scholarship Fund	1,672.78
Hansen Ministry Fund	10,918.70
Building Fund	-
Fund Balance	<u>113,915.73</u>

**Total Liabilities** **128,928.76**

# China Lake Camp

## Revenue/Expense

		Oct24-Jun25
Revenue:		
Church Support		30,350.91
Property Use		96,221.89
Hansen Ministry		1,375.00
Summer Staff		540.00
Building Fund		1,000.00
Scholarship Funds		850.00
Other		28,000.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>158,337.80</b>
Expenses:		
Insurance		27,432.17
Bldng Supplies		4,374.62
Contractors		65,556.97
Heating & Fuel Oil		32,848.08
Vehicles		1,716.24
Phone/Internet		1,869.92
CMP		23,033.53
Camping		25,656.26
T-shirts		2,087.25
Camp Staff		16,105.00
Hansen Ministry		2,000.00
Trash		4,046.26
Misc.		890.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>207,616.30</b>
Increase or (Decrease)		(49,278.50)



**Fall Commitments:**

Winterize Hill	1,500.00
Bushhog Hill	1,500.00
Sanderson Heat	3,000.00
Building Demolition	4,905.00
Dillon Door	2,000.00
Dillon Toilet & Shower	1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,905.00</b>

## Treasurer's Report 2025

The 2025 year has been wonderful. Stories of changed lives and new directions heard from campers and staff alike. God continues to do amazing things at China Lake Camp. We are so blessed to have amazing contractors and volunteers who provide quality work. All expenses are significant to our small budget; we survive on generous donations of time and money. A simple thank you is never enough for what you all gave. You are all appreciated more than we can say!

2025 revenue decreased 4% from 2024. This was due to some decreases in donations. The Board decided to modestly raise the camper rates in 2025. We continue to carry one of the lowest costs of similar camping programs in the region. We will look at similar adjustments to our rental fees in 2026.

We watch as our fixed costs continue to rise along with everyone else's these days. Utilities and Insurance being the highest at 12% and 20% respectively. Our workdays were well attended and saved what we may have expended on contractors. We continue to pay some staff a moderate stipend and try to balance the budget with the need for quality and certified people in these positions.

You can see all the property work accomplished this season in the accompanying report. We were able to add a new mower to our equipment line up. This has been a huge help in maintaining the grounds as well as decreasing some of the maintenance needs of the old machine. We did rely on contractors more this year. When this is not saving us money directly it is saving significantly on staff and volunteer time. Almost half of the contract expenses were for a single contractor to meet sprinkler system requirements in Sukeforth. Other contractors are assisting with preliminary efforts planned for 2026. We continue to manage a large property with a small budget.

Please continue to pray for China Lake Camp. The Lord directs this ministry, and we look to be good stewards of his gifts. We will be coming to your home church to share our stories soon. We come along side the community church to serve the same kids and adults. Let's see how we can work together to strengthen personal relationship and experience with Jesus Christ.

Dan Washburn

Treasurer

# Property Report 2025

## PROPERTY SUMMARY AND THANK YOU!

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### 2024-2025 Repair and Maintenance Activities

#### All Year

- **Mowing, String Trimming, and Weeding:**  
Volunteers: Steven Labbee, Dan Washburn, Luke Washburn, Cory Riojas, Mike Berry and Family, Al Fletcher, Craig Family, Stephanie Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Dave Rodrigue, Amy Chase, Dwayne Bickford & DOT (Dwayne's Tractor)
- **Set up and Breakdown for Events:**  
Volunteers: Dave Rodrigue, Dale Peabody, Stephanie Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Luke and Morgan Washburn, Cory Riojas, Barbara Frost
- **Building Cleaning:**  
Volunteers: Stephanie Hansen, Cara Jurczak, Dan Washburn, Morgan Washburn, Luke Washburn, Cory Riojas, Lorna and Rob Hansen, Kendra Hutchins, Zoe Hutchins, and many others as part of Fall and Spring Workday Crews (See Below)

#### Fall 2024

- **Cabins Water System Shutdown:**  
Volunteers: Luke Washburn
- **Kristina Parker and Friends** - Volunteer around Camp with projects - Clean Cabins, Stack Mattresses, put dryer sheets out for winter.

#### Winter 2024-2025

- **Plowing, Sanding, and Snow Removal:**  
Volunteers: Luke Washburn, Ken Daignault

#### Spring 2024

- **April 12 Work Day - Indoor cleaning in Sukeforth** - Stephanie Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Ella Hansen, Ben Hansen, Anna Hansen, Luke Washburn, Morgan Washburn, Lincoln Washburn, Lorna Hansen, Robert Hansen, Cory Riojas, Cara Jurczak, Bretteney Sanders, Miranda Gowell, Ryan Gowell, Holly Ready, Michael Ready, William Ready, David Rodrigue, Dwayne Bickford, David Salmons, David's Friend Nevaeh, Delaney Nyburg, Mercedes Gamage, Sherry Cates.
- **May 31 Work Day - Indoor projects in Dillon** - Kendra Hutchins, Cara Jurczak, Lorna Hansen, Robert Hansen, David Salmons, David Rodrigue, Stephanie Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Ella Hansen, Ben Hansen, Anna Hansen, Charlotte Lamb, Ari Lamb, Sharon

Peabody, Dale Peabody, Miranda Gowell, Wandah Clark, Delaney Nyburg, Barbara Frost, Dwayne Bickford, - Dillon Cleaning upstairs and downstairs, kitchen reorganized, all campus fans cleaned, & more.

- **June 14 Work Day** - Dan Washburn, Dwayne Bickford, Dale Peabody, Dave Rodrigue, Barbara Frost, Bretteney Sanders, Stephanie Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Ella Hansen, Ben Hansen, Anna Hansen, - bush trimming in cabin area (cut, chip, remove), chairs set in gym for graduations, boats removed from changing stalls, Waterfront storage building cleaned out and trash removed,

## **Summer 2025**

- **Docks and Buoy Lines Installed in Lake:**  
Volunteers: Stephanie Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Ben Hansen, Anna Hansen, Ella Hansen, Zoe Hutchins
- **Mowing, String Trimming:**  
Volunteers: Dave Rodrigue, Luke Washburn, Dan Washburn, Andrew Hansen, Stephanie Hansen, Ben Hansen
- **Gardens Around Pendleton Chapel Cleaned:**  
Volunteers: Wandah Clark, Sherry Cates, Central Church
- **New Ramps built on Dillon, Door frames re-trimmed**  
C. Elwell Construction
- **Power Washing of Sukeforth Building:**  
Volunteers: Doug Sukeforth & Aarons powerwashing
- **Power washing Dillon** - Dave Rodrigue, Ken and Marlene Boggs, Glen Jijliardo
- **New Exmark Lawn Mower purchased: Dave Rodrigue(ABCOM)**
- **Cabins Cleaned for summer season:** Kendra Hutchins, Hunter Hutchins, Stephanie Hansen, Ella Hansen, Ben Hansen, Anna Hansen, Andrew Hansen, Jessica Sullivan
- **Water System to Cabins Start-up:**  
Volunteers: Luke Washburn, Quinns plumbing
- **Sprinkler System antifreeze update sprinkler heads replaced (Sukeforth):**
- **Parking Lot Lights Repaired**  
Volunteer: Nicholas Dumont & Team
- **Art Room Cleaned and organized**  
Volunteers: Cara Jurczak, Abby Grunder, Amber Guillerault

- **Kitchen dry storage cleaned out**  
Volunteers: Cara Jurczak, Amy Chase
- **Infirmery gutted for renovation**  
Volunteers: Ken and Marlene Boggs, Andrew Hansen
- **New water lines to cabins installed**  
Quinns Plumbing
- **New water lines and water heater installed in Sanderson**  
Quinns Plumbing
- **Outdoor chapel area near Dillon refinished**  
Volunteers: Ken and Marlene Boggs
- **Bathrooms cleaned**  
Volunteers: Amy Chase, Kendra Hutchins, Zoe Hutchins, Natalie Tamayo

#### **Fall 2025**

- **Cabins shut down for winter**  
Volunteers: Luke Washburn, Dan Washburn, Quinns Plumbing
- **Waterfront space cleaned and packed away for winter, dock removed**  
Volunteers: \*\*upcoming fall workday\*\*
- **Hillside bush hogged**  
Two Talents Landscaping
- **Chicken coop demo and clean up**  
Volunteers: Doug Sukeforth, Dave Rodrigue

## Financial Giving 2025

- ABW Ministries of Kennebec Assoc
- Alethea Vickerman
- American Baptist Churches of Maine
- American Baptist Women Maine
- Baptist Church of Greene
- Bonnie & Joel Parsons
- Bowdoinham United Baptist Association
- Carol Mulloy
- Clair & Marian Wood
- Columbia Street Baptist Church
- Court Street Baptist Church
- Darold Dunham
- Dave & Wanda Clark
- Dean Booher
- Deb Kiker
- East Millinocket Baptist Church
- Ellen R Kanda
- Fairfield Baptist Church
- First Baptist Blue Hill
- Gary Knight
- Getchell Street Baptist Church
- John Sullivan
- John Hersey
- Judith Sawyer
- Karen Banks
- Kennebec Baptist Association
- Kennebunk Baptist Church
- Laura Manger
- Litchfield Plains Baptist Church
- Marc Hutchison
- Mary Jane Sullivan
- North Windsor Baptist Church
- Paul Keller
- Penney Memorial Baptist Church
- Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
- Richard & Elizabeth Hadley
- Serene & Michael Beaulieu
- Topsham Baptist Church
- William Carter

*Our prayer is that we did not exclude any donor / group from this list, but our sincerest apologies if we did.*

## ***Thank You!***

***May God deeply bless you for your prayerful and tangible support  
of His mission field here at China Lake Camp!***

***We are also deeply grateful for those who have supported China Lake Camp in prayer, who shared our story and mission with others. Please keep praying for the leadership and staff at China Lake Camp, as well as guests and campers who are part of God's growing Family. We continue to be grateful for the American Baptist Churches of Maine and for their permission to continue using this property for Christian camping and other ministries.***

