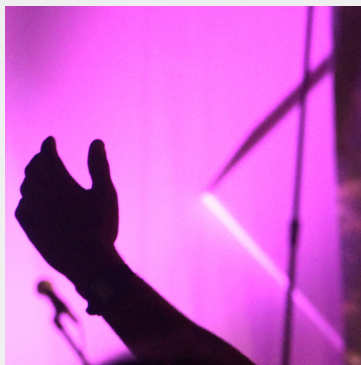
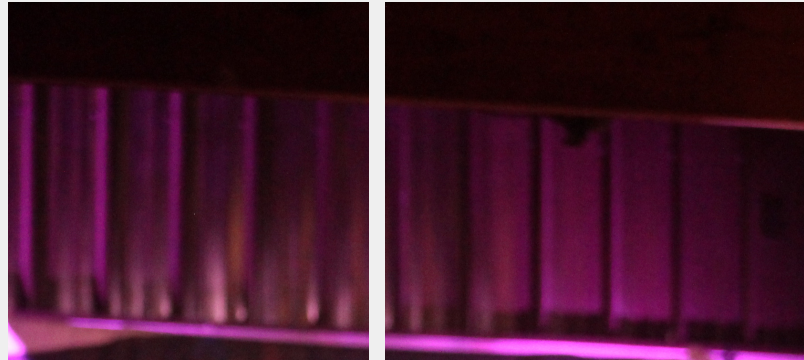


Annual Report 2023



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Strengthen Relationships
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From the Camp Director,

What a wonderful year we have had at Hanging Rock. 2023 proved to be a record breaker year with summer camp attendance 2,328 and having over 15,000 on property for retreats and events.

I hope you will see how God is working through this ministry in this annual report.

The staff will share how God used them in their area to accomplish some amazing things.

We were so blessed financially in 2023. With great donations from our supporting churches and individuals plus the income from summer camp and retreats, made us a lot more healthy.

We finished the year off with our annual fundraiser banquet where we kicked off a new campaign to add an additional 5,000 sq ft to the dining hall.

I shared that the camp has raised \$1.3 million over the last 15 years to upgrade facilities, grounds and activities.

I am very proud and feel very blessed to serve as your Executive Director and look forward to seeing what God is going to do in 2024.



I see everything I do as an extension of this ministry. It's all about service.

Our theme verse for the year:
1 Peter 4:8-11

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Gary Baker - Executive Director
Casey Isdell - Back Property Director
Caitlin Baer - Program Director
Kris Isdell - Facilities/Cook

Todd Blair - Associate Director
Jon Collins - Maintenance Director
Jennifer Baker - Office Manager
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**Over 2,000 in
attendance
at Celebrate
Good Times**

2023 Summer Camp Caitlin Baer- Program Director

Hey y'all! I started as the Program Intern in the summer then moved to Program Director in August 2023. This summer was an absolute blast of crazy & fun activities for all ages, but the best part is we got to witness 63 kids give their life to Christ. Every time we see a kid give their life to Christ, it is a reminder of why this ministry exists. As staff, even on some of our hardest days getting to see a kid accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior reminds us that we are here for a greater purpose.

We had a record number this year with 2328 kids on our property during the summer! We had silent disco parties with our Jr High & a foam party with our 5th & 6th grade! 3rd & 4th grade had an epic 4th of July party where several willing counselors got put in the dunk tank. High school started their week participating in redneck Olympics & Super Saturday got to jump around in the bounce house. Wilderness ate so many pudgy pies during the summer & horse camp took several trail rides through the woods. We are so excited for what 2024 has in store with all of the crazy camp games & events.

From me personally, I want to thank the staff I worked alongside to make 2023 a blast. I want to thank all of the Event Coordinators & their staff who give a week of their life to pour into kids to extend the kingdom of God. Finally, to all of the summer staff, I appreciate the long hours you guys put in to make camp possible. Here is to 2024 & I am so excited to see what God has in store for Hanging Rock!

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Financial Report

It is Hanging Rock’s policy that all accounting and financial management be done with integrity, fulfilling the command of Jesus, the Light of the World, when he said “let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16, NIV)

Our ministry is required to file an IRS Form 990 and disclosure will be made according to the governing laws, rules, and regulations.

Income 2022

Church	\$231,108.05
Individual	\$103,525.50
Camp	\$302,738.00
Rental Groups	\$ 99,355.91
Other	\$58,983.41
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Total:	\$795,618.87

Income 2023

Church	\$233,808.72
Individual	\$164,402.36
Camp	\$378,964.54
Rental Groups	\$109,707.50
Other	\$ 97,474.01
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Total:	\$984,613.13

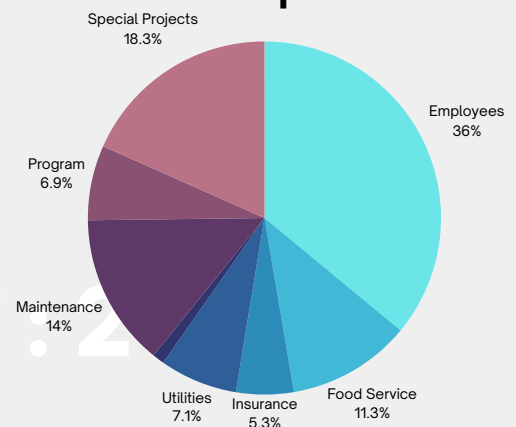
Expenses 2022

Employees	\$302,130.00
Food Service	\$ 83,000.00
Insurance	\$ 53,000.00
Utilities	\$ 81,000.00
Office	\$ 11,000.00
Maintenance	\$103,000.00
Program	\$ 74,000.00
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Total:	\$707,130.00

Expenses 2023

Employees	\$351,987.50
Food Service	\$110,915.32
Insurance	\$ 51,538.59
Utilities	\$ 69,679.55
Office	\$ 10,691.10
Maintenance	\$136,757.04
Program	\$ 67,128.74
Special Projects	\$179,412.11
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Total:	\$978,110.25

2023 Expenses



An increase in income
of **19%**



Casey Isdell- Back Property Director

Hello, I'm Casey Isdell. I started as a Hanging Rock volunteer in 2020 and was hired on part-time in the summer of 2021 as the Maintenance Manager. I took a brief hiatus for double knee replacement and came back in the Fall of 2022 full time, ready to hit the ground running. In June 2023, I was asked to take on the role of Back Property Director.

The Wilderness intern and I coordinated efforts to ensure our campers and volunteers had everything they needed continually. By the time the summer season wrapped up, we had a good rhythm and routine established along with the ability to fly by the seat of our pants.

We could not have done this without the amazing Event Coordinators and their volunteers who came in to lead and mentor these kids. Their drive and passion to serve was contagious.

The back property duties don't end when summer camps end. There are always groups nearly year-round using the facilities so there is constant upkeep to be done. The cabins and outhouses get cleaned and winterized, fishing poles restrung, pond maintenance classes to attend, horse fencing to repair. Thanks to the help of volunteer groups, we were able to spread mulch on the low ropes course and trails, get the canoes and kayaks racked and stacked, grass and leaves cut and especially the fallen trees cut up into firewood and lumber.

On December 2nd, work began on projects in memory of Terry Evans who was instrumental in building up our Horse Camp programs. Using lumber from our own fallen trees, we were able to rebuild the corral next to the tack barn. We still need to construct and install the 12-foot-wide gate at the south end, which was made to allow large trucks through. The plan is to have it completely done by Spring.

In April, Guy Phillips will be leading the project to raise the tack barn up a bit higher and replace the floor. Again, we will be able to use lumber from our own trees as we want to be good stewards of what we have been given. We would love for you to join us in this rebuilding effort. If you can swing a hammer, run a drill, or keep our crew hydrated by handing out water, we welcome any and all to come be a part of this. There is a bit of Terry in each part of this camp and we want to honor him accordingly by taking care of what he built.

Additional projects that we aspire to start soon are:

- Set up the donated playground near the pond gazebo
- Build a Gaga pit near the Mission Crossfire building
- Set up a 9-Square game on the north end of the corral near the campfire area
- Reestablish our Mission Crossfire program

Everyday I am grateful for the opportunity to be where God has put me. It is truly a blessing. When people ask what I do, I tell them, "I get to SERVE. I get to go to work and enjoy what I do. I don't have to, I GET to" I'm excited to see what's in store for Hanging Rock and the lives changed because of it.

Food Service/Guest Service

Todd Blair-Associate Director

What a year it has been! I finished my third year overseeing all things food service and guest service here at Hanging Rock. It amazes me how many people come through our gates every year here at camp. Most weeks of camp season we see 200 to 250 people here and that takes a lot of food to feed all of them. In the retreat season we see 80 to 150 people on a weekend, and it takes a lot of food to feed them. I always like to look at numbers and see how many of the popular items we use during the summer. During the summer months alone this last year the campers, staff, and faculty consumed over 580 pounds of salad, 92 gallons of apple juice, 4,800 chocolate chip cookies, over 360 pizzas, over 7,000 slices of cheese were used for burgers, mixed in with scrambled eggs, and used for mac and cheese. Over 5,000 pancakes were flipped, over 2,200 hamburgers were grilled, and probably my favorite stat of the year is there were over 92 cases or 7,200 individual chicken tenders cooked this past summer! Also, in the kitchen this year, we were able to update our dishwasher to a “new to us” bigger unit. Thanks to Jon Collins, our maintenance director, and a few volunteers for getting that installed for us! It sure made dishes a little easier back in the dish room.

Aside from summer months we also see thousands of people throughout the year from our retreat business. We host weekend groups and churches; we are the home course for Seeger High School Cross Country team. We have all the local schools come to camp to participate in field trip days, whether it be for a single day, or an overnight field trip. We host Missions Trips, Homeschool groups, Church Leadership retreats and planning days, and a whole host of other groups throughout the year here at camp. We hosted over 55 different groups this past year for various retreats and meetings, just during our retreat season. That does not include the over 30 sessions we do in the summer months. So, as you can see, we have a lot of people here throughout the year.

We could not do any of what we do without your support, so thank you so much for your ongoing support of the ministry of Hanging Rock. It is an honor to serve here at camp and look forward to a great 2024!

**We served over 15,000
in the off
season of camp.**

**7,200 chicken
tenders were
cooked**

Maintenance Report

Jon Collins-Maintenance Director

In 2023 we had a great Maintenance team! All year I could call on Casey. The summer guys, Nathan and Josiah were super helpful with anything I asked and much that I did not even have to ask. Then there was Bruce and Gerald who were stalwarts with the mowing! Volunteers! If you volunteered and helped make the maintenance at Hanging Rock happen, thank you! Your efforts did not go unnoticed and were certainly a blessing!

Here are some highlights, challenges and improvements of 2023 involving the maintenance department.

*Strong storms, Numerous downed trees and cleanup, 3 separate times shade shelters by the pool were destroyed, power lines were downed resulting in electricity being discontinued to sm. garage near Giant Swing. * New stone/gravel on camps entrance and circle drive * Hanging Rock Inn completed * Gym - interior walls painted and carpeted - rock wall painted and rocks re-arranged - new flooring *Cafeteria - upgraded salad bar - textured floor - modified floor plan allowing increased seating capacity - upgraded dishwasher * Procurement - snowplow on Maintenance Director truck - 4x4 p/u for back property - batwing mower - numerous gifts and donations from individuals and Camp Connect .

As the Director of Maintenance, here are some of the things that are on my prayer list. In 2024, if it is The Lords will and in as much as I have influence, I would like to at least take care of what we already have. Hopefully, we will see some much-needed maintenance in the Treatment Plant. The small shop needs a roof desperately as it continues to deteriorate. It would be good to see electricity restored not only to the sm. garage near the Giant Swing but also, while we are at it, bring in enough electricity to supply potentially some future camp needs in that area of the property. Additionally, some procurement goals would include a table saw for the shop. A large portable generator for the treatment plant and a giant sun shade for the pool area.

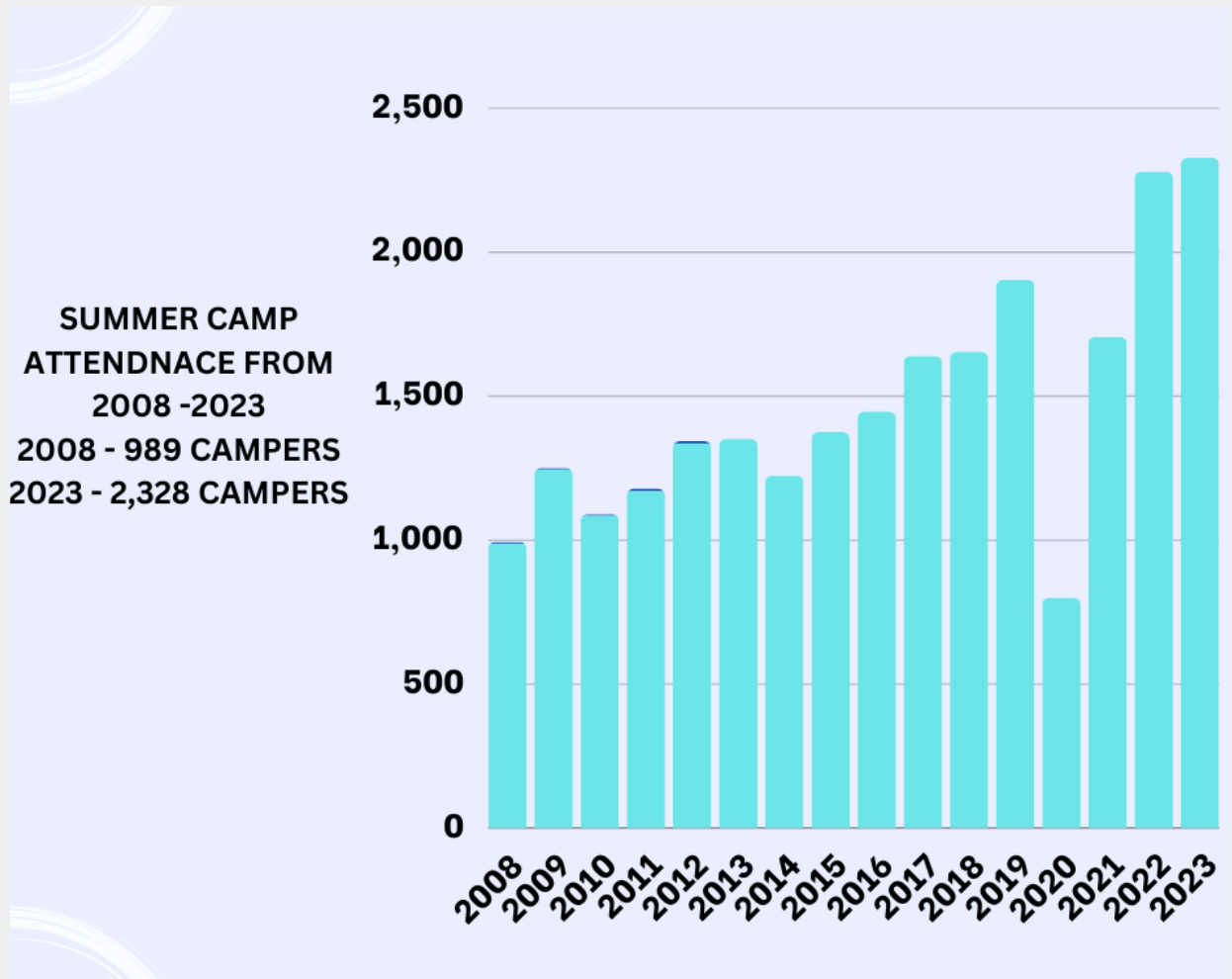
Again, these are just some things that are on my prayer list concerning the maintenance at camp.

I am sure there will be many things that crop up, some expected and some not, but I cannot wait to see what God does through it all and I hope that you will be part of it too!

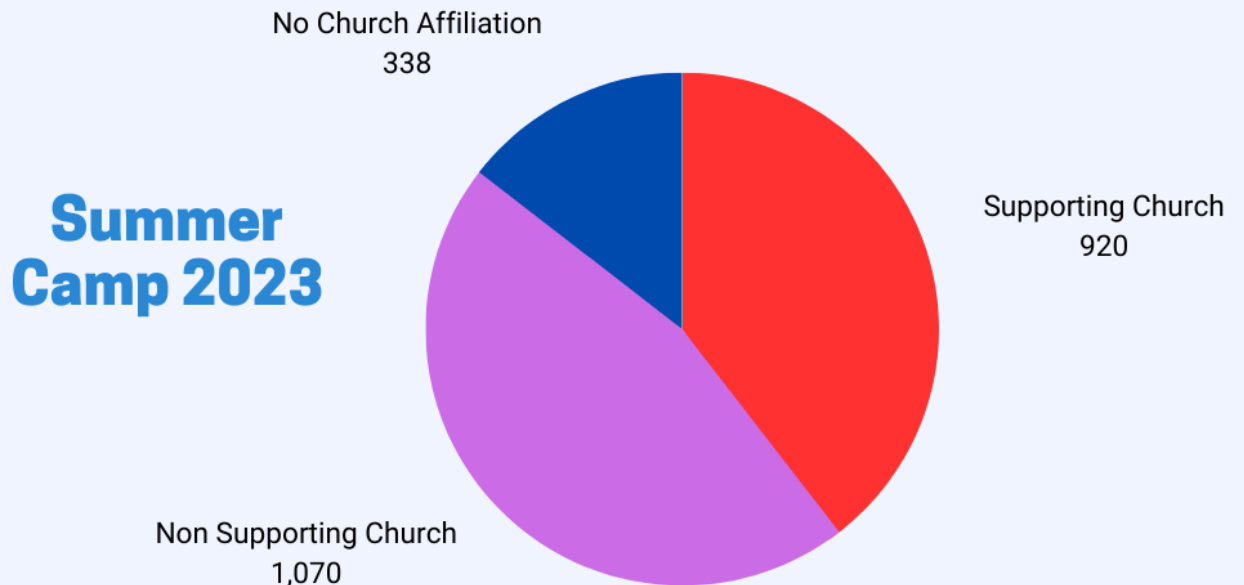
Because there is such a need for volunteers at Hanging Rock, in 2023 I started a volunteer program. Because the work of a volunteer at camp has the potential of being so diverse, the Philippians 4:13 concept fits, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"

This year the 413ers will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of March, April, September, and October. We will start at 9:00, lunch will be provided and we will finish up around 1:30.

See ya soon!



Hanging Rock Christian Camp 2,328 Total Campers





60 young people made commitments to Christ and were baptized at Camp




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