



HANGING ROCK CHRISTIAN CAMP



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

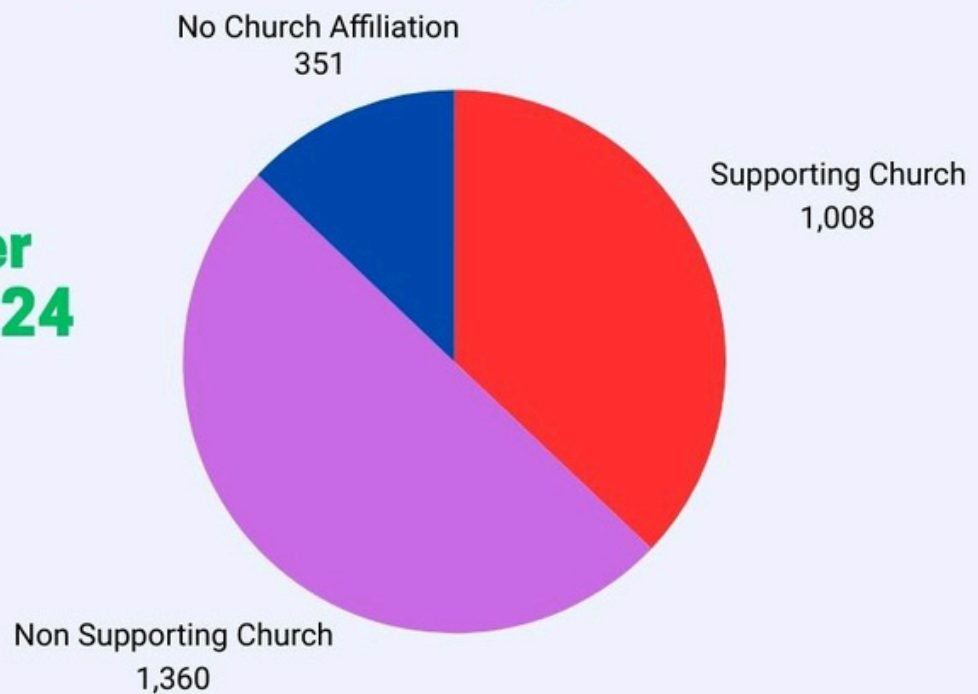
Hanging Rock exists to establish and strengthen our relationship with Christ

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Numbers/Stats

Hanging Rock Christian Camp 2,719 Total Campers

Summer
Camp 2024



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

2,719

Campers

520

Volunteers

73

Baptisims

REPORTS



Inside this annual report you will find reports from our directors that will tell the story of how God used them to accomplish ministry here at Hanging Rock in 2024.

FROM THE CAMP DIRECTOR



You never know from year to year how things will go. We certainly did not think we would have the year that we did. 2024 was a remarkable year for camp and retreats. Not only was there growth with our camps and retreats but with accomplishing some major projects as well. Over 2,700 campers and over 500 volunteers to serve these campers. WOW!! So exciting to see so many people who want to come to Hanging Rock to establish and strengthen their relationships with Christ. It won't be long before 2025 summer camp is here.

Time is flying by, and with that, the realization that we must continue to be about our Father's business which is, of course, the task of seeing souls won into the Kingdom; John 4:35 (NKJV) 35 Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!

When you look around the camp you see fields everywhere.

There is a specific time to harvest the fields, and if that time goes by without the work being done, these valuable crops waste away in the fields.

I believe we are in "harvest time" as we look forward to the return of Jesus Christ. We are in harvest time! The need to transform young peoples lives is so important. Our young people need a place like Hanging Rock to just pause and listen to the Lord's voice.

Enclosed, you will find that this ministry is dedicated to working hard, so when it is time to harvest, souls will be saved, and lives will be transformed. One of the most exciting moments was last summer during our Last Chance camp where we baptized 23 kids. All the work, all the money raised, all the programming, all the maintaining our facilities, the Lord blessed our effort!

My hope as you read through this annual report is that you remain excited and involved in this ministry. We need you. We need your financial support. We need you to serve. We need you.

Gary Baker

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.

2024 Income

Church	\$350,071.83
Individual	\$175,420.98
Camp	\$438,463.36
Rental Groups	\$140,288.42
Other	\$ 94,769.60
Total	\$1,199,014.10
Special Project	\$250,000.00

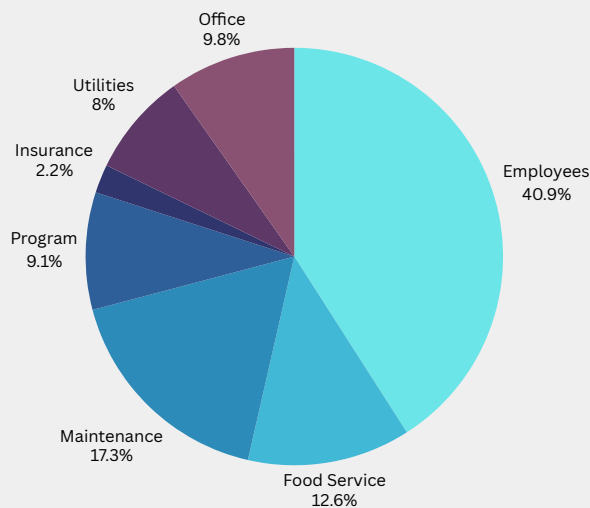
2024 Expenses

Employees	\$362,963.19
Food Service	\$112,038.37
Maintenance	\$153,468.56
Program	\$ 80,631.16
Insurance	\$ 19,614.53
Utilities	\$ 71,250.62
Office	\$ 8,669.70
<u>Special Projects</u>	<u>\$ 173,722.55</u>
Total	\$982,358.68

2025 Operating Budget

Employees	\$415,840.00
Food Service	\$115,000.00
Maintenance	\$112,200.00
Program	\$ 63,500.00
Insurance	\$ 67,500.00
Utilities	\$ 71,000.00
Office	\$ 8,000.00
Total	\$853,040.00

2024 Expenses



An increase in income
of
21%

2024 was a great year for our special projects giving. Special project donations are above and beyond our operating expenses.

We had donations for the Gym carpeting, Terry Evans Memorial project and the Dining Hall addition.

Associate Director



What an amazing year 2024 was! The Lord blessed the camp in many ways. We are excited about the new Dining Hall addition and cannot wait to use it this coming summer!

This year was a year without any major issues in the kitchen. In previous years we have had our walk-in freezer quit working during the middle of camp. The door to the walk-in freezer did fall off the hinges at one point, but Jon was able to get it fixed quickly. Other than that, it was a pretty smooth year in the kitchen.

We recently painted the walls and are having a new floor laid in the existing Dining Hall. You may not realize how much of an impact your support provides for the camp, but throughout the year we have hosted over 100 different events here at camp. Some of those events include summer camp, obviously, but also field trips, church picnics, youth group retreats, men's retreats, women's retreats, spiritual formation retreats, cross country meets, and so much more. Aside from summer camp we hosted over 7,300 guests in 2024. If you include summer camp numbers that means we hosted over 10,500 during the year of 2024. That is a lot of mouths to feed.

To put into perspective what that means in the way of food. We served almost 46,000 meals this year! During summer camp we served 31,544 meals, and during the retreat season we served 14,301 meals. That is a total of 45,845 meals served in 2024! I could not have done any of that without a rockstar kitchen staff, dishwashers, volunteers, or the year-round staff helping.

Huge thanks to everyone who helped prepare, serve, or clean up this year in the kitchen! Be on the lookout for ways you can help in 2025 to make it an even better year in the kitchen. From the bottom of my heart, thank you so very much for your support and helping to make Hanging Rock a successful ministry.

Program Director



2024.... All I can say is WOW the Lord is good!! The beginning of the year we had our Winter Retreats which were a blast. Winterfest & Jr. High Winter Retreat each had almost 100 kids attend.

The summer of 2024 was a historic one for Hanging Rock as we saw 2700 campers come to camp. That is a 400-camper increase from 2023! We are literally maxing out some of our buildings. All of our camps are so close to being at their maximum numbers. That is all a tribute to God & his faithfulness. The theme of the summer was "Searching" & this ended up being terrific for the year. Our Camp Committee chose this theme because every camper is searching for something or has questions. This allowed for so many great conversations to be had & 73 baptisms to take place. Our High School & Jr High Main both did an Olympics theme throughout their week, which saw a nighttime zipline & watermelon seed spitting contest. Our 5th & 6th grade had 165 kids... wow that's a lot.... but it sure was a blessing! Our 3rd & 4th grade camp had a scavenger photo hunt to match our theme. For our 1st & 2nd graders we had a train to ride around in. Our wilderness camps had a unique experience this year as they got to cook some of their meals. 3rd & 4th wilderness had 31 campers... our max is 32. Horse camps & Paintball camps were almost all maxed out this year! As terrifying as it is maxing out building & camps... it is such a blessing & testament to God's goodness. We know he holds a plan for HRCA & we are trusting in that.

In the fall we had several field trips from elementary schools & retreat groups from churches. 2024 is being capped off with the Dining Hall expansion being started with the hope of it being ready for summer 2025.

Finally, I want to say THANK YOU! If you volunteered, donated, or prayed for camp this year it was greatly appreciated. Camp does not happen without volunteers, donations, & prayers. To the Event Coordinators, I can never say thank you enough for how much you sacrifice to lead a week of camp & prepare for it. To the faculty, you are so greatly appreciated & loved. To the summer staff, you are incredible! The summer days get long & hot, but you continue to show up with a smile & a servant heart. 2024 was a fantastic year & God is continuing to provide. I am so thankful to be a small part of his glorious plan He has here at HRCA.

With so much gratitude,

Caitlin Baer

Jon Collins & Casey Isdell



Projects accomplished in 2024,

Jon & Casey oversee the buildings and grounds of the Hanging Rock property and have accomplished a lot for the camp in 2024. Much of what was accomplished could not have been done without volunteers. We love to have volunteers to help with projects. We would love to have you volunteer in 2025. If you are interested in helping these guys you can email them at: joncollins@hangingrock.org or Caseyisdell@hangingrock.org

Treatment Plant - waste levels were lowered in each holding tank, each holding tank was pressure washed and each holding tank was painted with commercial grade epoxy paint.

Small Shop - entire roof was replaced with tin, cleaned out & re-organized.

Retreat Center - removed broken glass from front door, replaced broken window, removed old water filtration system, repaired kitchen sink drain & replaced kitchen sink faucet.

Putt-Putt Course - Replaced carpet at each hole with new, replace perimeter 4x4's with new boards.

Zipline Towers -treated with water sealant.

Grounds - electricity was restored to West end of camp circle for campsites, RV's, and Harness building, big stone was moved near the front entrance, portable pergola with lighting was constructed, gravel was raked back into drive from winter, firewood was cut, split and stacked.

Dining Hall- floor re-epoxied, stripped and new floor leveling was added.

New Dining Hall - ground was broken, trees were removed, wainscoting was cut, building is under way.

Shop -organization is under way with help from some board members.

Low Ropes - new "Blind Maze" constructed, new element "The Net" was added, all trails were cleared, element signs were painted, elements had mulch spread

Horse Camp - tack barn floor is under way and nearing completion, new corral was constructed, and new water lines installed for horse stalls.

Trail Maintenance- all trails through woods were maintained

Extreme Activities - added hatchet throwing at wilderness camp, pond was cleared and kept clean, paint ball area cleaned up to add more play space.

Misc.- cleaned up vespers area, cleaned up "The Well" area, spread gravel up the hill to Wilderness Camp



5th & 6th Grade Main



3rd & 4th
Grade Main



HS Main



5th & 6th Grade
Paintball



5th & 6th Grade Horse
Camp



5th & 6th Grade
Wilderness



Family Camp

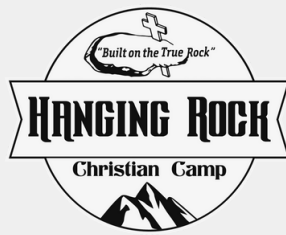


Jr. High Camp



Mother/Daughter

These are just a few pictures of the different camp sessions



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