

**WE HAVE A SIMPLE MOTTO HERE:**  
*Provide a Place for God to Change Lives*

We are a non-profit Christian Camp owned and operated by independent Christian churches in New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Established in 1956, it is our purpose to provide a unique mountain environment for God to use His Word, His people, and His creation to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, to renew lives, and to challenge all to follow Jesus. EPCC offers camps and retreats for all ages, as well as a place for your church to conduct their camps and retreats. EPCC also offers cabins for rent year around to support the Christian individual and family.

**2016**  
**SUMMER CAMP DATES**

<b>FAMILY CAMP I</b> MAY 27-30 2016	<b>HIGH SCHOOL CAMP</b> JUNE 6-11 2016	<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP</b> JUNE 13-18 2016
<b>WOMEN'S RETREAT</b> JULY 21-24 2016	<b>ELEMENTARY CAMP</b> JULY 25-29 2016	<b>FAMILY CAMP II</b> SEPT. 2-5 2016



*El Porvenir*  
**CHRISTIAN CAMP**

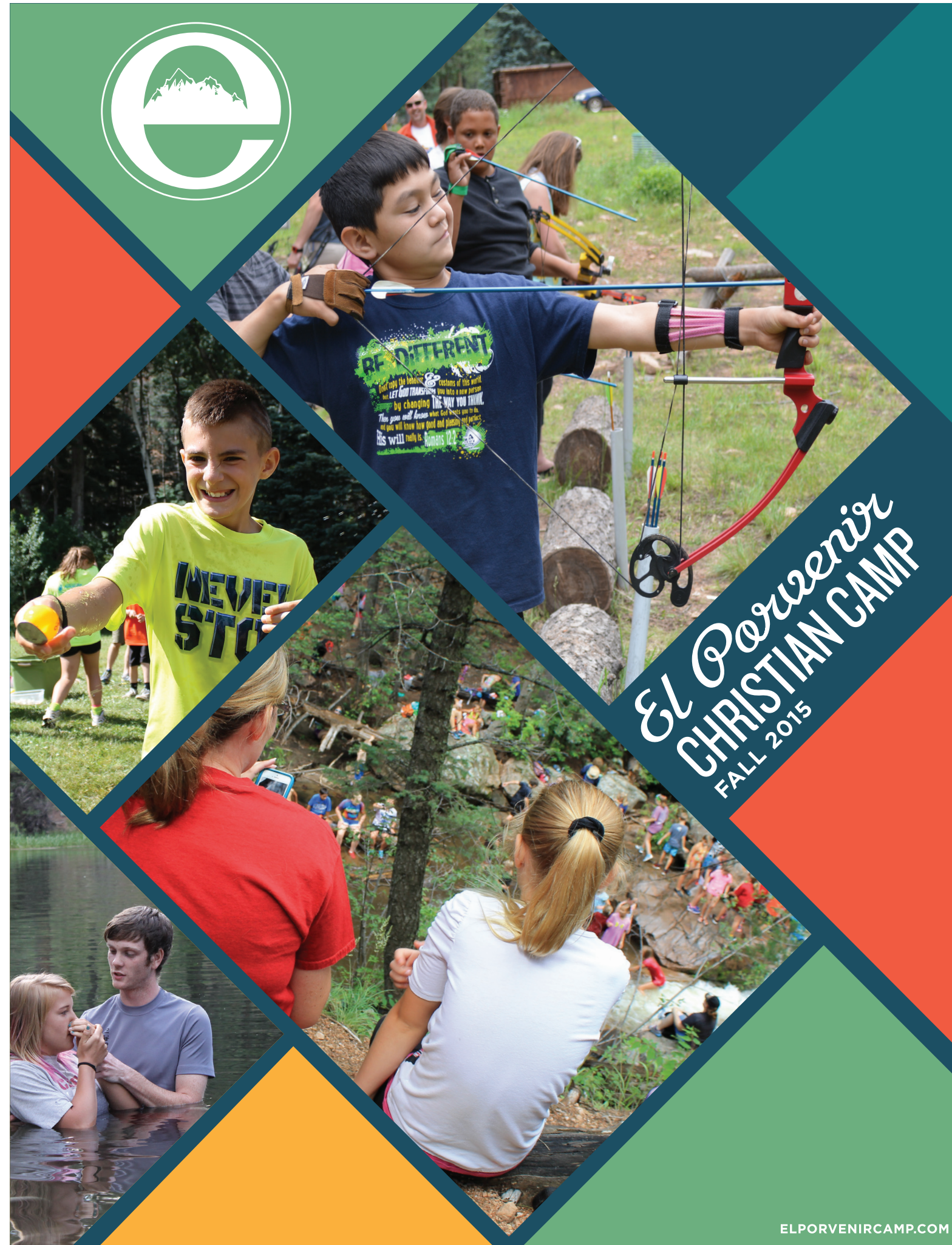
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**MANAGER'S PERSPECTIVE // FOOD, WORK, AND STRENGTH**



In John 4, Jesus' disciples found him talking to a woman at a well and were concerned that he had not eaten anything. Jesus replied to them, "I have food that you know nothing about...my food is to do the will of him who sent me and finish his work." Here's the point: What we need, isn't always what we think we need, and Jesus wants to teach us how to find real strength. If you've ever gone without eating, you know that even a single day without food will sap the body's strength, and the longer the body fasts, the weaker it becomes. If work is wearing you out, then your relationship with the Lord needs some attention. There's no shame in it. Even Jesus had to daily maintain his relationship with the Father by taking personal retreats. Do you feel weak? If so, then you must seek the Lord, because working with Him and for Him should bring strength not weakness. If it's not, then it's time to stop 'working', take a retreat, and feast on Him.

*- Nate Stafford*



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FALL 2015

## NEW 2016 TEEN LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM: BE "THE CORE"

In the past if you wanted to volunteer at a week of camp, there were two ways to be involved. First, you could be a youth sponsor from your church. This isn't changing. If you want to be a youth sponsor, you'll need to contact your church, who is responsible for recruiting, screening, and training these critically important roles in our youth camps.

The other way to be involved was to sign up as kitchen help for a single week of camp by contacting the camp dean. This is changing. New for 2016, the camp will be directly accepting applications from teenagers (ages 13-18) who are interested in a new leadership training program during the summer at camp. We're calling this, "The Core" because we are looking for students who are committed Christian workers and interested in leadership training. We are asking for approximately 2-3 week commitments and will additionally reward participants in this program by paying for their regular week of camp. The five opportunities will be May 30 - June 11, June 13 - June 25, June 27 - July 9th, July 11 - July 29th, and August 1 - August 9.

Students can apply for 1 block or more, and with each subsequent block will be assigned more responsibility. The main areas of work responsibility will be kitchen duty, some grounds work, and cabin cleaning on departure days, but may also include learning how to help facilitate activities, work the camp stores, participate and/or lead in daily devotions, and will certainly include learning to lead/follow as a member of a Christ-like servant leadership team. We will begin accepting applications on March 1st. Please note: You cannot be a camper at your week of camp DURING the commitment block you select, so make sure to apply for a block that doesn't have a conflict.



## NEW FACILITIES MANAGER



We are so very excited to introduce the newest member of our camp family to you, Ryan Guilfooy, El Porvenir's new Facilities Manager. He and his family began ministering with us on October 11. Ryan and Rachel Guilfooy were both raised in the green mountains of Vermont and after living in different states around New England, they met back in their home state and have now been married for 5 years. They have two children, Eliana who is nearly 3 years old and Isaac who is 1.5 years old. Before joining the El Porvenir family, they spent time serving in church ministry and as caretakers for a farm and estate, all in the Northeast. They are excited about serving the camp and living in the mountains of New Mexico. If you come to the camp, please take a moment to meet them and say hello.

## PROJECT UPDATE

Last year we raised over \$20,000 towards our two project initiatives, the chapel amphitheater and the yellow dorm remodel. What an amazing accomplishment! Thanks to your support and volunteer labor, we've nearly finished the amphitheater project, lacking only a new sidewalk on the east side. (See photo at bottom left!) Looking to the days ahead, we still need an additional \$15,000 before we will begin the work on the yellow dorm remodel project. Can you help us reach our goal?

If you would like to help the camp raise funds for these projects or future ones, here are some ideas that you can do in your church or community: start a fund drive with your small group or Sunday School class, or simply take up an offering; hold a church wide garage sale, host a chili cook off or bake sale; or whatever else your creative mind can think of! Don't forget to shop at smile.amazon.com who will give a percentage of EVERY PURCHASE to the camp, tax-free! You can also sell items on eBay through the eBay Giving Works program and donate the proceeds to the camp.

Whatever you do, one thing is certain: We can't do it without you. Thank you for investing in lives at camp! It will reap benefits for eternity!

## FOUR WAYS TO GIVE

- 1 Sell items on eBay and assign EPCC to receive 100% of the money through the eBay Giving Works Program.
- 2 Give directly through our eBay Giving Works Page. We receive 100% of the donation AND they issue you a 501(c)(3) tax receipt.
- 3 Send us a check! We receive 100% of the money this way!
- 4 Give online ([elporvincamp.com](http://elporvincamp.com)) with your credit card. A small processing fee will be deducted from your gift.

## SUMMER AT EPCC



**2015**  
BY THE NUMBERS

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP:	<b>118 CAMPERS</b>	<b>TOTAL ALL CAMPERS 3,143</b>
MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP:	<b>136 CAMPERS</b>	
ELEMENTARY CAMP:	<b>98 CAMPERS</b>	
WOMEN'S RETREAT:	<b>116 LADIES</b>	
FAMILY CAMP I:	<b>60 CAMPERS</b>	
FAMILY CAMP II:	<b>150 CAMPERS</b>	
TOTAL SPONSORS:	<b>153 ADULTS</b>	
TOTAL RENTERS:	<b>2,312</b>	

<b>BUDGET REPORT 2015-16</b>	<b>ANTICIPATED INCOME</b>	<b>475,465</b>	<b>BUDGETED EXPENSES DETAIL</b>	
	<b>ANTICIPATED EXPENSES</b>	<b>474,425</b>	EMPLOYEE WAGES, BENEFITS AND DEVELOPMENT	176,930
	<b>ANTICIPATED BUDGET SURPLUS</b>	<b>1,040</b>	GROCERIES	91,845
	<b>BUDGETED INCOME DETAIL</b>		FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT	52,325
	RENTALS	245,000	UTILITIES	51,165
	CAMPER TUITION	114,906	INSURANCE	42,200
	CHURCH SUPPORT	84,674	PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES	26,600
	INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT	21,700	MISCELLANEOUS	13,790
	OTHER INCOME	9,185	SUPPLIES	11,500
			ADMINISTRATION	8,070