## **Intro Camp Program Overview**



Hello parents! We are so thankful that we had the opportunity to care for your campers in Intro Camp this summer. We would love to share with you a bit about what your campers experienced this summer, both so that you can learn more about the lingo they are bringing home and so you can ask questions and continue learning after the session is over.

## **Spiritual Programming**

This summer, our Intro Campers learned more about the promises of God found throughout the Bible, knowing that God is faithful to the things he promised his people. Each day was focused on a different promise, and campers learned through various ways about the truth of the Lord in his promises. The Scriptures the campers focused on this week were Daniel 3, Matthew 8:23-27, Esther 4, and 1 Corinthians 15:1-6.

**Morning Watch:** Campers first learned about the day's promise through what we call Morning Watch. Morning Watch happens immediately after breakfast, and campers spend a few minutes each day in personal devotion time, sitting alone with the Lord and learning about him through his word. Cabin leaders have been around to teach them what this looks like, helping them to find the Scripture in their Bible, giving them ideas for prayer, and more. We would love for you to ask your campers what they read in Morning Watch, and maybe even find a "Morning Watch" time in your family's schedule!

**Cabin Impact:** Right after Morning Watch, cabins come back together for Cabin Impact. At Cabin Impact, campers participate in interactive Bible studies based on the Scripture they read in Morning Watch. Be sure to ask your campers what they remember from their Cabin Impacts!

**Camper Worship:** All the cabins gather together for a high-energy worship time like no other! Camper worship feels like the fullness of joy in life with Christ, and it truly is a taste of heaven, as campers and staff alike learn to worship without inhibition. Your campers have a whole new set of worship songs and actions they love. Have them teach you their favorite!

**The Skit:** This year, campers were joined by their favorite Zacco character throughout the sessions! Zacco is one of our daily rhythms, where before each meal, every cabin gathers together to sing beloved songs, both about the Lord in the morning, and silly in the afternoon. These songs' characters were featured in our skit, as Alma Zacco goes on a journey to find the honey in the rock, learning about God's promises to her and her friends along the way. While the skit is silly and fun, it is, most importantly, a tangible way for campers to be able to hold onto the truths they are learning throughout the rest of the Spiritual Programming.

## **Highlights from the Session**

Fest: Fest is a time of water games and fun in the sun, where cabin groups get to play together.

**Glow Stick Camper Worship:** A large part of Intro Camp is responding to God in worship, both through the daily rhythms described above and through special events. Glow Stick Camper Worship serves a similar goal as daily camper worship, but this time, we get to see Christ as the light of the world and celebrate our freedom from darkness!

**Wilderness Experiences:** We love the outdoors here at HoneyRock, and want your campers to love it too! Most of our day is spent outside, but one special part of Intro Camp is that each cabin gets to go on what we call a Moonlight Adventure. On these evenings, cabins get a chance to roast hot dogs over the fire, explore the woods together, and play games in the midst of creation. They may catch a shooting star on their walk home if they're lucky!

**Activities:** Activities are a camper favorite at all ages, but Intro camp is a particularly special time in the world of activities for campers. Campers get the chance to go as a cabin to most activity areas, getting a taste of the fullness of all that HoneyRock activities have to offer! Campers will journey to the barn, on a boat ride, to ceramics, archery, wilderness skills, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, biking, climbing, drama, arts and crafts, and swimming. At each location, activity staff give campers a taste of the skill and a vision for how the skill relates to their lives with the Lord. Be sure to ask your camper what their favorite activity area was!