

Desired Outcomes of Sonlight Programming

Discovery Campers

We intentionally program our days with the goal that your 4th-6th grader will learn more about God's love, following Jesus, and making new and deeper friendships. We hope that s/he will be challenged to try new games and experiences and learn how teams work. Finally, we hope that s/he will bond with our counselors and enjoy asking questions, laughing, and learning to find his/her voice.

Adventure Campers

We design program so that on top of what Discovery Campers learn, your 6th-8th grader will learn to engage new challenges such as hiking in the high country. We hope that s/he will learn more about living a life of service, like Jesus did. We expect that s/he will begin to discover some of his/her gifts for problem-solving and leadership.

High School Campers

Building on what has come before, we are intentional to provide opportunities for your high-schooler to learn more about thinking critically about the Christian faith and how to follow Jesus faithfully in a complex world. We hope that s/he will practice telling her story of faith and learn how that story will be a positive impact on the lives of others. We hope that s/he will develop how his/her gifts and talents may be used to respond to evil and suffering in the world. And we hope that s/he will begin to see how his/her faith is entirely her own, and how the unique qualities God has given him/her will make her a blessing to everyone around him/her.

Backpackers

In a wilderness setting with new friends, we provide opportunities for your camper to gain a greater wonder for God's beautiful and complex creation. We hope that s/he will discover how important is the Christian's mandate to share burdens with others, to take joy in the most mundane labors, and to be flexible when things don't go as planned. We hope s/he will come to savor even the most basic gifts of providence—like a good, hot meal—and the deep silences that come in the backcountry. And we hope that s/he will realize her greater capacity for toughness, resilience, and endurance.

Thanks for sharing your child with us! We hope that you will see these things come alive in your camper as they soak up what God offers through Sonlight Camp.

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