



WINTER LETTER

MONTHLY MINISTRY UPDATE

Winter Greetings from Fernwood!

The past few months have been filled with encouraging ministry opportunities, open doors in local churches, and growing excitement as we prepare for the 2026 season at Fernwood Christian Camp. We are grateful for how God continues to work through preaching, youth outreach, and camp ministry, and we thank you for your prayers and partnership. Now that the holidays are over and the new year is well under way, we are thrilled to prepare for another amazing camp season.

During December and January, I had the privilege of filling the pulpit and preaching in several local churches. In December, I filled in at Mt. Zion Baptist Church for a midweek service, thankful for the opportunity to open God's Word and encourage the congregation. I also had the privilege of filling in at Bible Baptist Church in Wellsville OH, as they prepared to move forward as a "re-plant". Please pray that God would bless and grow this ministry.

God has continued to open doors for youth outreach. This month, I had the opportunity to speak at Faith Fellowship Baptist Church for youth night, where teens heard God's Word and participated in a community outreach project assembling laundromat kits. Most recently, I was invited to Gospel Baptist Church for their first teen activity of the year. The evening included games, fellowship, and preaching, and it was a joy to see teens engaged and responsive to the Gospel. I also had the privilege of preaching the "We love our Children Sunday" at one of our supporting churches, Faith Baptist Church of Niles OH. It was a blessing to be able to minister along side of them.

Our 2026 Summer Camp schedule is now available, including a brand-new 3-Day Junior Adventure Week, ideal for first-time campers and busy families.

We are encouraged to share that Combined Week One is already filling quickly, with several first-time churches planning to attend camp this summer. So far, five first-time churches have registered, representing an estimated 75 new potential campers. Please pray with us as we continue recruiting staff and preparing for a full camp season. We currently have several positions open, as well as a summer intern opportunity. Last summer, Bro. Austin Mayville served as our summer intern and then went on to complete a six-month internship with us. Please pray for him as he continues to seek and follow the Lord's direction for his life. In the same way, we are hoping to provide similar ministry-training opportunities for those who are preparing for full-time ministry. If you know of anyone interested in serving in any of these areas, please encourage them to visit our website for more information.

We are also looking ahead to our two major youth rallies in 2026:

- Gear Up Youth Rally – April 25, 2026 | Guest Speaker: Pastor Kurt Copeland
- Harvest Frenzy – October 10, 2026 | Guest Speaker: Pastor Joe Shakour

Both events will take place right here at Fernwood Christian Camp and are designed to encourage youth groups through biblical preaching, fellowship, and fun. We would love to have you and your young people join us for those events.

To better serve churches, parents, and supporters, our camp now has a new dedicated phone number.

☎ Fernwood Christian Camp Office: 724-241-8645

🕒 Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

You may now call or text during office hours with questions regarding camp registration, upcoming events, or general information.

Please pray with us for:

- Continued open doors in churches and youth ministries
- Wisdom and strength as we prepare for summer camp
- Staff recruitment for the summer (especially kitchen staff)
- Young hearts to be receptive to the Gospel
- God's direction and provision in every area of ministry
- Funds to build new boys shower house

At this time, we do not have any scheduled work days; however, several churches have already planned private work retreats with us. We plan to begin preparation on the boys' shower house toward the end of March and will be coordinating this work with churches that bring groups. If you or your church would be interested in scheduling a time to help prepare the facility for the upcoming camp season, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you for standing with us in prayer and encouragement. We are grateful for the privilege of serving Christ and investing in the next generation.

Because He lives,
Serving with grateful hearts,
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