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Dear Friends at Immanuel Bible,

He had finished his freshman year at Michigan State University and was living at home, working a job for the summer. On a whim he offered to do some cleaning in his parents' basement and, while sweeping under a piece of furniture, the broom brought out his Camp Barakel Junior camper handbook from nine years earlier. He had not been back to Barakel for several years and while leafing through that old childhood relic God began to stir his interest in being a camp counselor.

He contacted me and I had a hamburger with him near campus that fall and the next summer he came to be a counselor. During his time at camp the Lord altered the trajectory of his life. He is now married with two children and serves as a pastor in Minnesota. Last week he taught from the book of Philippians at our Junior High camp. His parting words on Friday night were from chapter four: "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

We don't know all of the thousands of ways that God is orchestrating events in peoples' lives, and how the smallest act of faithfulness might be used by Him. Someday you might get a letter from me explaining that one of our Junior High campers from this week is now back at camp as a counselor!

Your gift is appreciated, thank you for your help this month. This place continues to run on the prayers of God's people and on their generosity.

Yours for Christ-exalting camping,

Paul

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\$360.00 Gardner

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