

Bound for Glory Camp Annual Report 2018



Mission Statement: The mission of Bound for Glory is to provide a free summer camp experience in a Christian environment for low-income struggling readers that will educate, enrich, and encourage.



EDUCATE: We provide three hours of literacy instruction each weekday at camp including one-to-one Orton-Gillingham tutoring, written expression instruction, guided oral reading, and read-aloud time. Our goals are to improve campers' literacy skills, avoid the "summer slide" where low-income children lose approximately 2 months of reading achievements over the summer due to lack of learning opportunities, and to foster a love for reading. All campers showed significant improvements this summer in their reading, writing, spelling, and vocabulary skills.



ENRICH: Our enrichment program is designed to allow campers to explore and strengthen their interests, build self-awareness, and have fun. Our culinary program teaches the art of cooking, as well as nutrition and table etiquette. A highlight of the culinary program this year was guest chefs Ito and Lisa who taught campers how to roll sushi. Our new art program lead by Elizabeth Beasley was a big hit and included origami, drawing techniques, and clay sculpture. Other activities included horseback riding, tent camping, archery, nature studies, fishing, swimming, kayaking, hiking, team games, and so much more.



ENCOURAGE: We believe that sharing the love of Christ is the best possible encouragement we can offer. We had daily devotions, worship, and prayer. This year's devotion, *Jesus is the Real Thing*, taught us the loving characteristics of Jesus: friend, healer, teacher, and Savior. We were blessed to have guest devotional leaders and live worship music. Campers also found encouragement through community by realizing they are not alone in their struggles. Guest speakers, Graham and Glover Beasley, shared their personal experiences with dyslexia helping campers realize new possibilities for their future.

WHY BOUND FOR GLORY CAMP?

BFG Camp provides opportunities for campers to find hope!
Hope in their future, hope in their own potential, and hope in Jesus.

*63% of 4th graders read below proficiency

*80% of 4th graders from low-income families read below proficiency

*Low-income students lose 2 months of reading achievement over the summer


ANNUAL REPORT CARD FOR 2018

100% of campers improved their reading skills!




An average of **6** months of reading improvements were gained in just three weeks!

100% avoided summer learning loss.

100% of campers learned about Jesus and His love for them. 



12 Campers

 6 boys
6 girls

Ages 9-12

5 first-time campers

7 returning campers

7 from Brevard area

100% qualify for free lunch

100% behind at least one grade level in reading

10

staff members



42

volunteers

100% of campers rated their overall camp experience as excellent.

"Bound for Glory Camp showed me that I can do anything if I try my hardest."

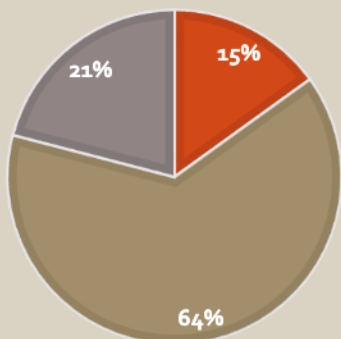
100% of parents rated their child's camp experience as excellent.

"Bound for Glory Camp was an answer to prayers! Graham is more confident and self-assured since coming home from camp. Camp showed him he is not alone in his quest with dyslexia. I can't say enough about what a true blessing camp was for Graham and our family!"

Funding and Efficiency

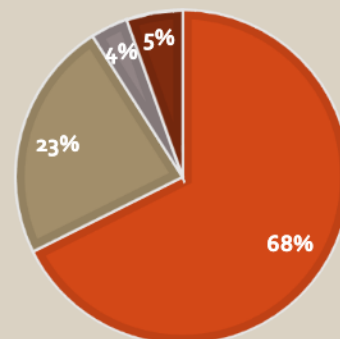
EXPENDITURES

■ Development/Fundraising ■ Direct Program ■ Operating Expenses



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■ Special Events ■ Foundations ■ Grants ■ Donors



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THANK YOU!

IMPACT STORY: BRAYDEN

We want to introduce Brayden to you! He is one of four campers who has attended Bound for Glory Camp since we began three years ago. You may ask, "What impact has Bound for Glory Camp had on Brayden's life?" First, let us say that it has been a privilege not only to watch Brayden grow up, but to watch him grow stronger over these three summers. This summer, Brayden improved his text reading by 1 ½ years in just three weeks! Gains of this magnitude do not come from tutoring alone, but in combination with persistent reading. Once Brayden's decoding skills were proficient, he was able to discover a love for reading! It opened a whole new world to him! He read novel after novel this summer, and the results are overwhelming. Better yet, his love for reading is lifelong!

Each summer, Brayden's love for cooking was fostered during the camp's culinary class. He unleashed his creativity and designed unique and daring dishes winning him first place in this summer's cook-off. Brayden also explored his love of theater by writing, directing, and acting in his own production which was a smashing success on talent night.

He enjoyed this so much that he plans to enroll in theater class in school. Brayden loves exploring life beneath the surface. Each summer he had the opportunity to delve into the creek with Pisgah Wildlife educators to determine the health and diversity of our streams. Most importantly, Brayden was able to grow his faith and consider the purpose God has for his life. By the end of each summer session, you could feel the fullness of Brayden's heart for the Lord. Our deepest prayer is for that fullness to stay with Brayden so that it will help direct his every step.

Don Fleming has served as Brayden's literacy tutor during the school year and at Bound for Glory Camp. Don has witnessed first-hand some of the profound changes in Brayden and has shared the following examples: 1) Brayden who loves playing video games, also learned to love books and because of this his reading skills improved dramatically. 2) Brayden's view of life changed, and he is better able to see opportunities for growth and avoid decisions that keep him in a cycle of failure and despair. 3) Brayden's faith in God was strengthened which has better prepared



him to face life challenges. 4) Brayden is now more motivated to excel which means he will have a more productive life and break the bonds of poverty and complacency that can break the spirit and prevent growth.

In Brayden's own words, Bound for Glory Camp means "learning and fun!" Learning and fun in a God-rich environment is our mission. Brayden exemplifies the impact Bound for Glory Camp has on the lives of its campers. It is our duty to continue to serve the "least of these". Our campers often carry an accumulation of poverty, learning difficulties, chaos, and trauma that holds them down and prevents positive growth. We have the calling and the readiness to help. We ask you to join our journey to educate, enrich and encourage young lives like Brayden's.

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