



Dear Special Camps Family,

As we come to the close of another remarkable year, our hearts are overflowing with gratitude for all we have accomplished together. What a season of growth, joy, and true community this has been!

We kicked off our year with an exciting Cornhole Tournament, bringing friends and supporters together while raising funds for our programs. Your energy and generosity set the tone for everything that followed.

Summer brought the magic we all love—Youth and Adult Camps in full swing. We were blessed with 95 incredible summer campers, each bringing their own joy, gifts, and unforgettable moments to our camp family. We also celebrated tremendous growth in our volunteer community, welcoming 28 new volunteers who jumped in with enthusiasm and servant hearts.

This summer also brought a meaningful new partnership. We were honored to welcome three student nurses and the program director from the UAB Nursing School, who came to serve, learn, and support our campers. This collaboration was a true blessing, and we are excited to continue building on this partnership as we look ahead to 2026.

As the seasons changed, we gathered for a joyful Fall Family Fun Day, with food, games, and fellowship. We then wrapped up Fall with our Older Adult Camp, hosting 43 wonderful campers who filled the weekend with energy, laughter, and love. Also welcoming 11 new campers and celebrating a beautiful week of connection and community.

We were also blessed to partner with Cedar Grove Baptist Church throughout both Summer and Fall. Their support, kindness, and willingness to pour into our Special Camps community made a lasting impact, and we are truly grateful for their involvement.

As we look ahead, we are excited about the new year and the opportunities it will bring. Our operations team is hard at work building and expanding the advocacy portion of our programs, and we cannot wait to share more information with you in the coming months.

None of these accomplishments would be possible without you—our camper families, camp staff, and devoted volunteers. Your support, your trust, your dedication, and your prayers are the foundation of everything we do. You are the heart of Special Camps, and we are deeply grateful.

Thank you for making this year unforgettable. We look forward to stepping into a new season filled with hope, growth, and the continued joy of serving together.

With Lots of Love,

Your Special Camps Operations Team