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The Amazing Grace Day Camp Task Force continues to roll out to new communities. We are so grateful for our partners at Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio (LOMO). They continue to work with us to shape a quality camp experience for our campers. We are also grateful for congregations who not only want to share the Gospel with the children and families of their communities.

This work would not be possible without your support. While the Synod's allocation of funds for this ministry in the annual budget is essential, we simply couldn't cover all of its costs without the

gifts of individuals and congregations from across our synod. Thank you!

We were able to support 8 camps (almost 330 campers) in 2018: St. Paul, Ironton; Augsburg, Cincinnati; St. Mark's, Delaware; Good Shepherd, Kettering; Zion, Middletown; Fellowship, Columbus; St. John's, Zanesville and Galilee, Russell's Point. We also tried something different and did an online training via Facebook Live. It was received well and we did it again in 2019 also.

Many thanks are due to the AGDC Task Force members for their hard work and commitment. Those serving on the Task Force with me are as follows: Gary Pecuch (Synod representative), who shares with us his expertise in youth and family ministries; Rod Pearce (LOMO representative) and Hannah Demaree, who gives us the benefit of his experience in outdoor ministries; and Jodi Diehl, and Rev. Bryan Kittner.

The Task Force would like to thank all the communities and individuals who have given to AGDC, your support is very much appreciated. A special thanks goes out to Roselawn Lutheran Church who gave us money as their church closed, thank you for thinking of us and helping to continue this ministry.

We are looking forward to another great camp season with a total of 7 camps. Please keep our host congregations, LOMO counselors, and our campers in your prayers this summer, that God's grace will flow freely and joyously! If your congregation would like to share in the Amazing Grace Day Camp experience, please let the Task Force know. We will be making decisions about next summer's camps *this fall*.

In conclusion we would like to remind you the Amazing Grace Task Force *is actively seeking new members* with a heart for sharing the Gospel, especially with children and their families. We welcome your interest, your questions, your suggestions, and your support. You can reach the Task Force through the Synod office, or by contacting me or Gary Pecuch directly.

Respectfully submitted,
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