

Today was the first full day for week 2 of camp. Electives started this morning, including my Video Making elective. I enjoyed the creativity of the campers today as we filmed scenes from Psalm 139.

Speaking of Psalm 139, that is our theme for the week. Each night at chapel Beth tells the story of a Biblical person (Moses, Elijah, Jesus and David), with the theme drawn from Psalm 139. The Psalm begins by noting that God sees us all the time, when we sit down, when we rise up, when it is dark, whenever and wherever we are God sees us. So we can call to him anywhere, anytime, and we will put his hand on us and his hedge of protection around us. It also talks about the fact that God formed us before our birth, and that we can praise Him because we are each fearfully and wonderfully made. God does not make mistakes. In fact, he has laid out all our days since the foundation of the Earth. God made us for His glory. It is He who searches our hearts and knows us and provides redemption from our sin and a way for eternal life. He will one day judge the wicked and with that wipe away all sin, and the tears and suffering that came with sin, and He will lead His people in the way everlasting. I would encourage you, look up Psalm 139 and read all these wonderful truths for yourself!

In addition to daily chapel, which Beth Wiegand leads, we also have a daily review game, which Maggie Henry leads, and a daily Bible Time to study more in depth in smaller groups, which this week Lisa Seal and Abby Henry are leading. Jim Henry has been hard at work so far this week helping to build a house for one of the full time staff (they put up all the outside walls yesterday and hope to put up roof tresses tomorrow). He also did the camp Cosco run for food for the week and was the fire watch for the cookout. Ashley Seal showed up unannounced on Saturday (her mom was sent to the airport to pick up a “new counselor”, not knowing who it was!). She has been a fun addition, although she could only be here a few days and leaves at 5am tomorrow.

At lunch today the campers got to play “Archery Tag” where they got to shoot cushioned arrows at their counselors, and then at Ashlee Seal, Beth Wiegand and Jeff Ort. Tonight was our cookout. Once a week we all get to eat in the “Outback” and cook hot dogs over an open fire. As all good cookouts, it ends with cooking marshmallows over the fire to make S’mores. Always a good time for everyone. Our review game had each camper that got a correct answer trying to throw a hula hoop over their counselor’s head (you may have sensed a theme here – throwing things at the counselors is a favorite game for the campers in just about any form!).





**Top Photos:** Archery Tag

**Bottom Photos:** Cookout

**Next Page:** a group from my video Making elective, Camp Hola Hoop game and then last photo: Lily Henry sporting the "I Did It" vest!



