

BEREA MINISTRIES



PARTNERSHIP UPDATES

Celebrations & Highlights



This winter, we saw God move in ways that were both powerful and deeply personal. Students encountered Jesus, responded to His call, and took meaningful steps forward in their faith. At **Camp Monadnock's Encounter**, we celebrated record attendance, with **1,047 students** taking a Next Step in their walk with Jesus. **Camp Berea's Deep Freeze** experienced another outstanding winter season, with **2,663 campers responding** to what God was doing in their hearts. For the first time, all three sites hosted winter camp simultaneously as **Camp Kerith launched its first-ever Cub Camp**, where **21 kids** took their Next Step.

In total, **3,731 campers** made a Next Step decision this winter:

- **370 students** made a **first-time decision** to follow Jesus.
- **730 students** made a **ministry-minded decision**, recognizing that God is leading them to serve others with their lives.
- **2,631 students** made **deeper, life-changing commitments** in their walk with Him.

Every one of these numbers represents a story—a life touched, a heart changed, a step taken toward Jesus. Praise God for all He has done! **Your generosity and faithfulness made this possible.**

Thousands of young people are not just hearing the Gospel—they are responding to it, and their lives are being transformed.



CCCA Staff Retreat: This week, our staff attended the Christian Camp & Conference Association Northeast regional retreat. It was a meaningful time of connection, renewal, encouragement, and growth as we gathered with other New England camps. We spent time in God's Word reflecting on the theme of "Storytellers." As Psalm 107:2 says, "Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story"—a powerful reminder that God calls us to share His faithfulness and the ways He has worked in and through our ministry. Please pray for our staff as we carry forward what the Lord has been teaching us and faithfully tell the story of His goodness in the days ahead.

Next Step Stories

"I thought that since my parents were big Christians that I was one too. I made a decision to follow Christ this weekend." — Student

"We have a good chunk of kids who just started coming to youth group and don't know much about God. They were all engaged this weekend and bought Bibles to bring to camp. It was very moving to see such raw, unchurched kids growing so quickly and blossoming this weekend." — Youth Leader



"Our students wanted to do late night worship outside. Most of them stayed up until 2:00am worshipping and praying. It was a marking moment as many repented and prayed together." — Youth Leader

"I chose to give up worldly things in my life that don't honor God. I want to better my relationship with God." — Student

"I wasn't sure if I was making a difference in youth ministry, but this weekend I can see God using me to disciple these young people" — Youth Leader

"One student shared a very hard testimony during group and said he wants to go into full time ministry and serve other kids with hard backgrounds." — Youth Leader



Priorities

Our \$1 Million “*Preserving the Legacy: Sustaining the Spaces that Serve*” Campaign continues to move forward, remaining a vital priority for Berea Ministries. **The need is still real, the vision is still clear, and it is not too late to be part of what God is building!** Your support helps sustain the spaces where worship, transformation, and life change happen every day. We’re trusting God to provide the \$1 million needed to address some of the most pressing, tangible needs across our camps—and **every gift moves that mission forward.** If you’d like to learn more or see the full campaign brochure, we’d love to connect with you: partnership@berea.org

Support the Campaign



Roadblocks & Challenges

OPEN POSITIONS: We currently have several roles open on our team, with our most urgent needs being an Office Manager and a Head Cook. We are trusting God to bring the right people—those who feel called to serve in this kind of ministry. **Please pray for God’s provision in these areas!** If you know someone who might be a great fit—perhaps a friend, family member, or someone from your church or network—please encourage them to apply. To learn more about each position, **[please visit our website.](#)**



Prayer Requests

- **NATE'S HEARING:** President/CEO, Nate Parks, had **cochlear-implant surgery on December 18th to restore hearing in his left ear.** We're grateful to share that the procedure went well, and his hearing in his left ear has already been about 70% restored! Thank you for your prayers—please continue to pray for ongoing improvement.
- **SUMMER STAFF:** We're currently hiring summer staff—individuals who will disciple campers, lead activities, and help create the Christ-centered environment that makes camp so impactful. Please join us in praying that God would bring the right people to serve—men and women who love Him, are eager to invest in the next generation, and are ready to lead with humility and joy—and that He would remove any barriers, clearly call each one, and begin preparing their hearts even now for a summer of faithful ministry.
- **INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS:** We experienced a very cold, snowy winter—great for our winter campers, but hard on our facilities. At Camp Kerith, a **furnace repair cost \$2,500**; Camp Berea dealt with **frozen septic lines**; and Camp Monadnock is currently experiencing **significant roof leaks from melting snow**. Now that it's spring, we are focused on preparing each site for summer camp—repairing, replacing, and improving our facilities so they are ready to safely and effectively serve every camper God brings. That's why we are praying to **raise \$400,000 this spring as part of our \$1 Million Campaign**. Your support plays a vital role in making sure our camps are ready for another season of life-changing ministry. Please pray for God's provision as we steward each infrastructure need, and prayerfully consider making a gift.
- **SPRING PROGRAMS:** While summer is quickly approaching, we're also looking ahead to several upcoming spring programs! Our Men's Retreat, Women's Retreat, Mother/Daughter, and Father/Son weekends are just around the corner—there's still time to register! Please pray with us as we prepare for these events. Pray that God would guide every detail, prepare the hearts of those attending, and equip our speakers and worship teams as they get ready to serve.

For questions and more information, please contact our Advancement Team at partnership@berea.org. We'd love to hear from you!
