

ROUGH ACRES REVIEW

ROUGH ACRES BIBLE CAMP NOVEMBER 2023



Ladies Retreat

Each RABC Ladies Retreat is different; influenced and blessed by new speakers, volunteers, and women in attendance. We are grateful for the 55 women who participated this year in learning, healing, and laughter with each other. Maria Dyck challenged and motivated us all in chapel sessions, giving us time to reflect on our identity as women and God's calling for our lives. We are also thankful for a cheerful crew of volunteers who made this retreat possible!

Do you have ideas for future retreats or want to lend a hand? We welcome your input! Whether you have skills in planning, decoration, speaking or serving in any other capacity, join us in shaping the next Ladies Retreat. Contact Sydney at roughacres@roughacres.org!

50th Anniversary Video

This year we have celebrated 50 years by sharing stories and being inspired by the history of this camp. One of our summer staff, Joshua Pleshka, created a 15-minute video about the beginnings of RABC. This video can be found on our website and is a must-watch for any fan of RABC!









Pray with Us

Let's join in prayer for local camp ministries. We ask for your prayers for the growth and operation of ministries in the north; that God will send more volunteers. Let us also pray for strength for the existing volunteers and workers so that they can persevere in their work. Matthew 9:37-38 "He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields."

We Want You - Partnership Oportunities!

- Sit for a term on the <u>Board of Directors</u> (3 positions are open for nominations- 1 maintenance director and 2 general positions).
- Help with Expediting! (Keeping the camp stocked with groceries and supplies during programs/rentals is an important need. Instructions are available, please consider this way to help camp if you are local!
- We are looking for a list of people interested in <u>cooking</u>
 or <u>doing janitorial work for rentals</u> during the off-season.
 These are <u>paid</u> opportunities! Please contact us if you
 would like to be on the list to be contacted when needed.
- Join/Renew your <u>RABC membership.</u>
- Volunteer for <u>fundraisers</u> or plan a fundraiser in your community!
- <u>Promote in your community</u> Your enthusiasm draws more people in. Share our posts and tell your family and friends about camp. We need your help to grow and reach more people! Bring friends to camp with you or encourage them to get involved! If you see a gap where we could be promoting or improving, please let us know.



<u>Upcoming Events</u>

AGM Located at the Terrace Evangelical Free Church, 10:30 am on November 25th.

Any and all are Welcomed to attend!

December 17th Terrace Christmas Market Fundraiser (Details to Come)

January 1st
New Years Day Event
at RABC
(Details to Come)
Volunteers Needed!



2024 Year-End Fundraiser Letter

God's presence at Rough Acres Bible Camp in undeniable. We have seen God's hand at work in countless ways over the years, and I am filled with gratitude for each moment to have witnessed his love in action. Lamentations 3:22-23 comes to mind, "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.". This past summer we welcomed 200 campers into this place of ministry, marking an new chapter for RABC. We hope to continue to provide a place for campers and staff to build on their knowledge of God's love for them.

As those in leadership, the Board of Directors has many dreams for the future of Rough Acres. There is always room for improvements, and the Year-End fundraiser has typically been the time for camp to collect funds towards a specific goal or need for the camp. We believe in being transparent with our supporters, which is why we want to explain why out fundraising goal is different this year. Reopening the camp was a monumental project and we anticipated that start-up costs would be challenging. This year, we have run a shortfall of just under \$20000 with our expenses. This does not come as a surprise, but we do not take this financial need lightly either. While we do have financial reserves, the years that passed without programs operating have required us to steadily access these funds.

Our Year-End fundraising goal this year is to bring the budget significantly closer to balance. This makes our ideal fundraising target is \$20000. With the end of 2023 approaching, will you consider gifting to Rough Acres Bible Camp? Your tax-deductible donation is eligible for a tax receipt for 2023 if we receive it on or before December 31. Donations can be made online through our website or by filling out and mailing the attached sponsor form with a cheque to our address below. We also accept donations by e-transfers sent to billingrabc@gmail.com, if the message includes a note designating the "Year End Fundraiser" as well as a name and address for your tax receipt. Thank you for your continuing prayers and support for RABC. With hope and gratitude,

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Year End Fundraiser Sponsor Form 2023

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Phone Number	
Email Address	
Amount Enclosed	