



January Newsletter

***MATCHING FUNDS* ---**

\$33,281.60 plus \$50,000.00 equals \$83,281.60!!!

That is how much money was given towards our Matching Funds campaign. Thank you for being so generous.

The anonymous donor decided to give the entire \$50,000 to Camp Como instead of matching the \$33,281.60. We are so thankful for all of you that gave and especially grateful to the couple that gave the \$50,000. We are blessed!

Remember that God is in the business of multiplication. I have no doubt in my mind that God will take this money and increase it somehow to expand His Kingdom. None of us ever know exactly how God will multiply resources, but He does. That is one of the most exciting things about being a citizen in His Kingdom. He is full of surprises!

To the 82 individuals and 6 churches that gave above and beyond in the last two months, I want to say, "Thanks." Your gifts were incredible and your notes and phone calls were very encouraging to those of us at

Camp Como. We will do our best to make sure that your gifts are used to challenge youth to fall in love with God and stay in love with God.

The Matching Fund money will be used to enhance programming. Construction on a new double zip-line has already begun with the goal of having it fully operational for our summer camps. Other adventure program elements, such as a high ropes course and rappel tower, are being planned. These things will complement current camp programs and will help us in the creation of new ones.

In the midst of raising money for the Matching Funds campaign, we were blessed in a very big way with a gift from friends of Camp Como. Gary and Valerie Nichols donated a Nordic grooming machine and Ralph Herzog donated a groomer and a track setter. The total value of this equipment is approximately \$1,500.00. This gift was not a typical donation and I have never heard of another camp or ministry receiving such a gift. With it, we are now able

to groom about six kilometers of trails for cross country skiing on the north end of our property. This donation opens up a lot of new programming possibilities for Camp Como throughout the winter months. If you like to cross country ski, come up and check it out. We would love to have you.

The last two winter months have been exciting, to say the least. I appreciate each of you very much. Thank you for remembering us in your prayers and with your finances.

In Christ,

Jud Weece
Executive Director



Prayer Requests:

- > **Snow!** We are way behind in our snowfall for the year. We need several feet of snow to fall.
- > **Campers.** That God would speak to them while they are here this winter.
- > **Summer Staff.** We hire about 25 college-aged staff each year. We need faithful, fun and energetic staff.

Watch for upcoming changes to our webpage at www.campcomo.com. We're excited about what's to come!

Upcoming Events:

Snow Camp	Jan. 27-28
Winter Whiteout	Jan. 18-20
Staff Training	May 21-June 1
Middle School 1	June 3-8
Middle School 2	June 10-15
High School 1	June 17-22
High School 2	June 24-29
Tenderfoot	July 6-8
Prospector	July 8-11
Tipi Camp	July 8-13
Middle School Challenge	July 8-13
High School Wilderness	July 29-Aug.
Young at Heart	Aug. 8