



CATALYST 2 Program Overview

Dear Parents,

We're so thankful your child participated in Catalyst 2 this summer! It's been an incredible season of spiritual growth, leadership development, and meaningful community. Below is a snapshot of what your child experienced and how God has been at work in their journey.

SPIRITUAL THEME

This summer, the Catalyst Program explored the theme "Come, Dwell with God," rooted in Revelation 21:3-7. Catalyst 2 campers reflected on this promise: "God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God," as they stepped into new roles of leadership and service.

Throughout the summer, spiritual formation times focused on five key areas:

- Building a **resilient identity** in Christ
- Practicing **cultural discernment**
- Forming **intergenerational relationships**
- Exploring **vocational discipleship**
- Living out a **countercultural mission**

In **Morning Watch**, campers studied selected Scriptures (John, Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians) to learn from Jesus' life and the ministry of the Holy Spirit. They later created personal Bible reading plans to continue their spiritual growth. During **Solo times**, campers read and reflected on excerpts from *The Way of the Shepherd*, connecting the care of the Good Shepherd to their leadership styles.

MEANINGFUL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

Each Catalyst 2 camper participated in one of three hands-on leadership tracks:

- **RES Cabin Leader:** Campers co-led elementary or middle school cabins, learning how to care for younger campers, lead bible studies, manage group dynamics, and create space for fun and reflection.
- **ACT Assistant Instructor:** Campers assisted activity staff in teaching and leading in areas like archery, crafts, ceramics, climbing etc growing in both skill and confidence.
- **SA (Service Area):** Campers served behind the scenes in places like the trip locker, auto shop, grounds, construction etc. They practiced humility and servant leadership while mentoring younger Catalyst 1 campers.

They also enjoyed fun and fellowship through special Catalyst-only events like the C2 Olympics, game nights, teatimes and worship nights, all helping deepen relationships within the group.

SUNDAYS: A Day to Be Poured Into

Sundays were designed as a slower, more restful day. Students spent time:

- In solo reflection
- Attending HoneyRock church services
- Enjoying time off-camp for laundry, fellowship, or a treat
- Participating in Unit Spiritual Formation i.e gathering for worship, Bible study, and prayer
- Closing the day with peaceful vespers service

WILDERNESS TRIP: Learning by Leading

Catalyst 2's trip was a key highlight! They ventured on a two-night wilderness experience, taking full ownership of their trip from packing and gear management to route planning and leading group activities.

Each camper had the chance to be leader of the Day, practicing navigation, group care, and decision-making. This experience helped prepare them to lead their own campers on future wilderness trips with confidence and wisdom.

Ask Your Camper About Their Summer

- Every Catalyst 2 journey is personal and unique. Here are some questions you can ask to hear more:
 - What's something you learned in training that really helped you?
 - Which leadership track did you choose? What was it like?
 - Who was a meaningful mentor or encourager for you this summer?
 - What's one thing you're taking away from Catalyst 2?
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