**Sharing Jesus at Summer Camp in the Rocky Mountains**

2021–2023 Biennium
Mission Goal:
$2,150,000

Mission Grant #16
$25,000

**Bringing the Inner-City Children to Camp**
Lutheran Valley Retreat, Colorado — $25,000

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 19:14).

Lutheran Valley Retreat (LVR) shares God’s glory through His creation in a retreat facility in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado.

Research shows that camp transforms the lives of young people. Taking a break from regular routines, responsibilities, and technology allows young people to truly be themselves. Campers at LVR have an opportunity to enjoy nature through activities like archery, rock climbing, fishing, and crafts. They experience God’s Word through daily devotions, singing, and worship around a campfire. The Gospel is shared through counselors and other campers, showing God’s love to His children.

Each summer, the camp serves nearly one thousand campers. There are families in the Denver area that are unable to fully finance summer camp or provide transportation. With this grant, LVR will work with Lutheran churches in Denver to arrange 50 camp scholarships for multicultural children of all socio-economic levels. The remainder of the grant money will be used to provide transportation.

**We Pray Together:**
Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of a beautiful outdoor world. Please bless this mission grant to allow Lutheran Valley Retreat to provide scholarships and transportation to summer camp for inner-city youth in the Denver area so they may see You in the midst of Your creation. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Learn more about this mission grant at lwml.org/mission-grants