



To Whom it May Concern,

It was a family Camp weekend in August when I served my first weekend as an assistant cook. Three of my children ages 16-13 also came to help and work. After the first weekend I was overcome with blessing that I got to work in such a Christ-centered place. Not only was the Gospel of Jesus Christ being preached daily, Christ's love shown through everything that the staff did. With the leadership of Wayne and Julie Aarum, and Josh and Chloe Aarum, the staff was being taught to "Do all things unto the glory of God" (1 Cor 10:31) The discipleship going on behind the scenes was evident. Young people worked together with kindness and patience to solve the smallest and largest problems. Conflict was seldom a problem, but the few times I was aware of it, it was handled with appropriateness and impartiality.

Watching the interactions of the kids at the camp was a constant inspiration. Wayne Aarum loves people and teaches the staff to love them too. The people and Youth that are attracted to Circle C, come in many colors, shapes, and sizes, and the Aarums see to it that everyone is treated with the same love, respect, and kindness that Jesus Himself would show. During the staff meetings the rules are rehearsed to make sure we are all on the same page. The rules are strict, and they are presented with the understanding that they bring holiness to our lives which honors God, protects one another, and keeps the camp shining its bright light for the sake of the gospel. Wayne's ability to be patient and kind with every camper and staff member is rare. He is a man who is in the moment. Not wanting to waste an opportunity to give the Holy Spirit room to work in anyone's life. He is a true man of the Word of God: considerate, caring, and longsuffering. I realized through listening to the staff workers, that some of the same campers who had struggled the most, end up finding themselves working back at the camp, wanting to be a part of the ministry that had the most impact on their life changing relationship with Jesus Christ.

Even during the Covid shutdowns, Wayne, working closely with Josh Aarum, tirelessly continued to preach the gospel through ReachTV and other avenues; through the mail and online. It's commendable to say the least.

Personally, I am so grateful Wayne and Julie Aarum have become a part of my life, my husband's life, and our children's lives. The wisdom and encouragement that they pour out, and the inspiration we have received from being a part of their life-changing ministry is immeasurable. The impact that serving has had on my kids, the fun my husband and I have had working alongside one another with the Aarums to fix and repair, it has been pure joy. It's very satisfying to be a part of the ministry where God truly gets all the credit.

Thank you, Wayne, for being so faithful. Thank you also to Wayne and the rest of the Aarums for providing a place where for three-plus generations the Gospel has continued to go forth so that many young people can receive the freedom found in the life-changing love of Jesus Christ. Praise the Lord for this family. We trust that you will be able to continue on in the work of this vital ministry.

With Thanks to God,

