

## Richard Deisler Testimonial

Fall 2022

My relationship with the Fairmount Camp was primarily one of responsibility as chairman of the camp committee. There was always a lot to do to prepare the grounds for the summer camps. It was important that everything be ready in time for the first group of campers, and we worked hard to make sure that it was. I could not just sit back and relax during Family Camp, because there were always situations that would arise demanding my attention. Even so, I always found something about the week of Family Camp to enjoy. I particularly liked the Bible studies. Sitting under the instruction of great Bible teachers was so uplifting and encouraging. I loved the good preaching and wonderful singing. I so much enjoyed meeting with old friends – and new ones – over great meals provided by our cooks in the dining hall. And I love that it has become a true “family” camp – where there is something for everyone.

Many important life decisions have been made on the grounds by campers through the years, and God has richly blessed the legacy that continues here. Fairmount Camp also provides great opportunities for service and giving. It would not survive without volunteers and people willing to invest in the ongoing work. Fairmount Camp has been exactly what we need in the District; We need it for our District ministries! The value of camping ministry is such that in spite of the fact it has been here for over 127 years and has gone through many changes, it has still maintained its identity. Fairmount Camp has proven to be something of value. Many things have changed, but not the message it proclaims! My hope for the future is that it continues!

Written by Richard Deisler

Richard Deisler’s service to Fairmount Camp spans over 30 years, during which time he served on the camp meeting committee, which at that time addressed all the camp needs, from programming to the upkeep of the grounds. He was instrumental in making many changes and improvements in the facility and worked faithfully to make sure the camp was an inviting place for all ages.