



Psalms 27: 1-3

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? <sup>2</sup>When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. <sup>3</sup>Though an army should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war should rise against me, even in this will I be confident.

## News Article

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### **Reflection Retreat - Success!**

CKC's first annual father & son camping trip was an exciting and impactful event. In early August 2008, our team set out into God's creation to enjoy the calming effect of the outdoors where we pursued rest and relaxation without the worries of everyday life.

Along with several volunteers and our friends at [Live Wild Ministries](#) our fathers and sons enjoyed quality time among fellow cancer soldiers boating, hiking, playing games and reconnecting. It was a unique time of fellowship and comradely which we hope has made a lasting impression on each one's lives. From the onset of cancer in a child's life, each family member is forced to take on certain roles for the survival of the family. Fathers in particular are challenged with provision and protection while the child is in the midst of battle. During this time of prolonged suffering, fathers may get disconnected from the family while mothers are overwhelmed with giving care to the child. It is always our hope that the Reflection Retreat would in some small way allow our fathers and sons a chance to reconnect by looking to the future together and reflecting back on the great battle they won. Ultimately, a win for CKC and God would be a closer relationship with each other and complete thankfulness to the Lord for overcoming the struggles of cancer. We are happy to say the results of our 2008 trip proved to hit the mark!

While 2008 was great, 2009 promises to be more exciting as we have already set into motion the details for our second annual trip. In late July 2009 we plan to embark on our second annual Father & Son Reflection Retreat. Due to the great success of our first trip few details will change however we are adding an extra day of enjoyment. We look forward to what God has to bring for our fathers and sons next time on Lake Fontana North Carolina at the foothills of the Great Smokey Mountain Park.

Pictures from our 2008 Reflection Retreat can be viewed on our [Photo Gallery](#) Page.

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