# SUMMER FUN!

RECAP OF HOW YOUR SUPPORT HELPED OUR KIDS

### MYRTLE BEACH TRIP

Sand, sun, ice cream, sea creatures, water parks, and much needed time as a family!

# INDEPENDENCE DAY

A HOT day of fun with watermelon, face painting, and a night of fireworks.

## SERVE WEEK PROJECTS

Delivering baked goods to local groups, gardening, Bingo with nursing homes - to give back.







GARDENING





#### WHAT A SUMMER IT WAS!

Summer officially ends September 22, but our Joy Ranch kids went back to school as early as August 7, so we packed all kinds of fun into the months of June and July! The annual beach trip allowed all of the Joy Ranch family to spend an entire week together... as a family! The kids enjoyed the beach, pools, water park, and ice cream. Thanks to Garden City Chapel & Retreat for their generosity!

Our kids got to go to several camps where they enjoyed outdoor activities in Christian environments, all the while making new friends.



The week of July 15 was "Serve Week" at Joy Ranch, where we gave back to our community. Residents and staff participated in a variety of activities including picking blueberries, baking treats for local agencies, assisting in BINGO games at nursing homes, and cleaning up parks and our campus. What a blessing it was!

Several groups came to Joy Ranch this summer to help with various projects around campus. God moved and orchestrated the workers beautifully, and a lot was accomplished. Most importantly, two of the youth volunteers from Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Marshville, NC accepted Jesus Christ as their savior while they were here!

Will you share with us WHY you give? Email media@joyranch.org with your reason! As we move into fall, please remember to pray for our kids, houseparents, staff, and volunteers.

Our prayer for you and your family is that you'll enjoy these last summer days and that harvest blessings will rain down on you. Thank you so much for your monetary support, prayers, and all the ways you give!



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