



CAMP SERTOMA OF S.C., INC.

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Dear Sertomans of South Carolina and friends of Camp Sertoma,

Our Camp Sertoma 2021 season is over and it was a tremendous success! Camp was a little bit smaller this year. Programs were a little bit different. There were a few masks worn here and there. Campers and staff all had covid testing done before arrival. But you know what? There were the same smiles. The same warm hugs. The same camp songs echoed through our beautiful camp on Lake Hartwell.

The water slide slid. The pool splashed. Archery...arched. Canoes and sailboats were propelled around by campers experiencing their first time in a boat. The water trampoline was a huge success. But mostly...relationships were built. Love was spread. Our kids arrived carrying all sorts of things. But it didn't take long for them to lay their burdens down. (It's hard to hug when you're carrying burdens).

We had ZERO cases of covid at camp. One camper even said, "I forgot there even was such a thing as COVID!" Isn't that great? Don't you wish YOU could forget covid for a while? Maybe we need to have a session of Camp Sertoma for Sertomans? OR PARENTS??!! Oh, wait! I have an idea! Our campers this year left a piece of themselves at camp (ask them about their rock). BUT they also carried a bit of camp home with them. We all get to take Camp Sertoma outside the gates. We love our facility. Our kids love the activities. But it is the people and our relationships that make Camp Sertoma special...and we ALL get to BE Camp Sertoma every day. SO...give a hug...sing someone a song...laugh a little. Be a kid again. Make sure the people around you know how much you love them and how special they are. You just might find out that we can put the worries of this world a little further out of our minds...when we think of others more highly than ourselves. SO...let's BE Camp Sertoma...August until June.

Yours in Service To Mankind,

**Dale Treash, Chairman
Camp Sertoma of South Carolina**