



THE CAMPFIRE

News from Camp Clark Williamson- January 2026

2026 begins the 66th year of summer camping at **Camp Clark Williamson**.

Haskel, from the Olivet Cumberland Presbyterian Church, is nearly 90 years old. Just a few days ago he visited the Camp after not being able to come or visit in well over a decade. He spent nearly an hour driving around and walking over the campground. He said things like, "I remember walking across that bridge and finding out my grandson was saved over there by that cross. I was so happy I could've jumped into that water."

He also remembered the many hours spent staying here and working on the cabins, nights in a Board prayer vigil when we were considering building the Lodge. He also remembers the lake; and all the fishing, paddle boating and observing the campers interact.. He served here at **CCW** in many capacities, Board Member, bus driver, tractor driver, and donator (both time and money).

He worked on numerous cabins, not just his churches, laying flooring and painting, readying them for some unknown camper to him.

He had a look in his eye, and one could tell he was drawing memories, fond memories of good times at camp. He

mentioned children and youth he had brought up here. He mentioned people that he worked with, and wondered where they were now.

He wasn't alone in the effort to make **Camp Clark Williamson** the place it is in its 66th year. There were many other people from many other places, and they all worked with the same goal in mind.

They were helping prepare a place that their children and grandchildren and many other unknown campers could come and be close to God. And be saved. Thank you to all who have worked and given to this ministry we share called **Camp Clark Williamson**.

SAVE THE DATE

2026

2026 Presbyterial camp dates:

Summer Camps

Cornerstone Presbytery

Day Camp-May 31

Sr High & Jr High Camp

June 1-6

Jr Camp-July 13-18

Mid-South Presbytery

Family Camp- June 8-13
2026 Dates for your calendar
CCW Workdays
April 16-18 and May 3

Presbyterial Fall Retreats
Cornerstone- November 13-15
Mid-South- December 11-13

Adopt-A-Cabins

The Adopt-A-Cabin program began in 1992. At one time all the cabins, the cottage, bathhouses, the Activity Building, the swimming pool and the tractor have been adopted by churches, groups or individuals on an annual basis.

There have been many others who wanted to have a project or responsibility, but not on an annual basis.

We are still doing both. Many cabins and the swimming pool are currently adopted.

If you would like to adopt a cabin, bathhouse or have a project to work on to make **CCW** a better place or to help prepare it for the summer camping season, please contact Mike at 731-225-5589 or email to campclarkwilliamson@gmail.com.

Current Cabin-Adopters are.....

- Cabin #2- Mt. Zion CP
- Cabin #4- Family of Will Orr
- Cabin #5- Hillcrest Baptist
- Cabin #6- Cool Springs CP (GC)
- Cabin #7- Bells Chapel CP
- Cabin # 11- McKenzie CP
- Cabin #12- Olivet CP
- Cabin # 13- North Union CP

- Cabin #14- Dyer CP
- Cabin # 15- Milan CP
- Cabin #16- Davidson Chapel CP
- Cabin #17- Holly Grove CP
- Cabin # 18- Union City CP
- Swimming Pool- Lutheran Children's Camp

Open for adoption include....
Cabin #3, the cottage, both showerhouses, pavilion, and Activity Building

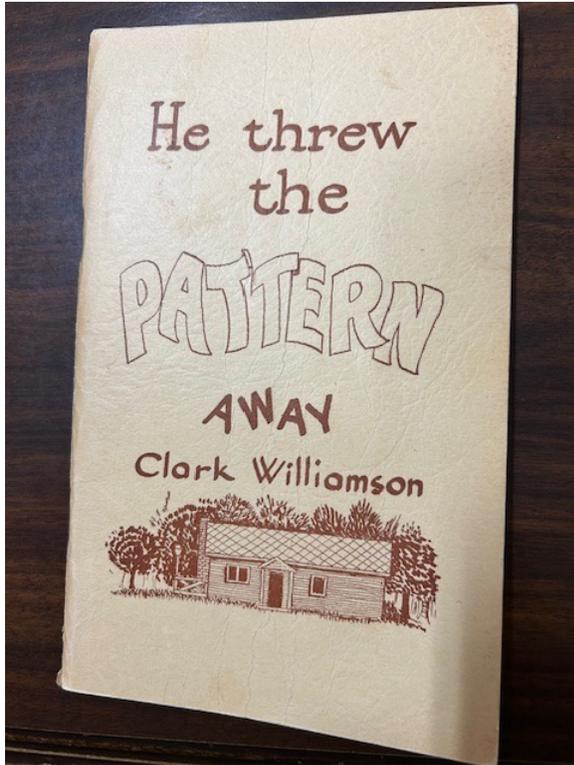
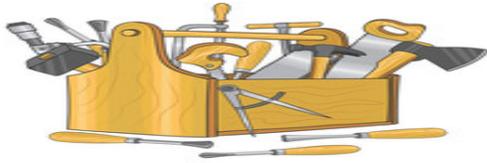


WORK DAYS—WORKDAYS

Workdays began in 1992 when there was a rededication to keep and transform **CCW** into an elite Cumberland Presbyterian Campground. Enthusiasm was high and numbers of volunteers were abundant. There were several workdays scheduled with big and small projects. Construction-type and landscape-type projects were completed. **In 2026 the Workdays scheduled are April 16-18 and May 2.**

ANTICIPATED PROJECTS

- Activity Building: work on deck, paint bathroom
- Dining Hall: paint inside'
- Big Pavilion: paint & clean
- Showerhouses: paint, clean, new shower curtains
- Bridge: replace older walk-boards
- Landscaping: sand volleyball area, outdoor worship area, basketball court, stain fence
- Yardwork: rake/blow leaves, pick up brush, trim trees, cut 1 tree, asphalt patch
- Adopt-A-Cabin: projects as notified to Cabin Adopters by email.



HE THREW THE PATTERN AWAY
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“Prayer”

We thank Thee, Father, for Thy love,
Expressed in trees and hills and sky, In
clouds and rain and sunset's gold-
Where beauty is we feel Thee nigh.
To guides who help us in the way-To
comrades climbing up to Thee-To truth
which deeper, richer grows-Our hearts
respond like Thee to be.
To Jesus, Man of Galilee,
Our Saviour, Friend, and Lord of life, We
yield our hearts and now would rise Thy
work to do mid joy and strife.
O grant us strength of will to move And
light Thy fires with lives aflame, Till
restless souls within our sphere Find
Jesus and His name proclaim.

We see the world with sin abound, Our
brothers dwarfed in its embrace;
But this we know: Thy Spirit, Lord,
Enough for us to work Thy grace.
Help us to prove within us dwells Thine
image, e'en the pow'r to live To bring to
fulness in Thy time
Thy kingdom Lord, the world retrieved.
Amen. -Rev. Clark Williamson-



Haskel Jerrolds from Olivet CP loves the
outdoors, camping and church. He recently
visited his long-time love; **Camp Clark
Williamson.**

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Do you have any stories of former **CCW**
faithful servants? Stories that would give a
glimpse of love for this place and her
ministry? If so, please share at
campclarkwilliamson@gmail.com

CCW History

If you are interested in the history of **Camp Clark Williamson**, check it out on the website: campclarkwilliamson.com.