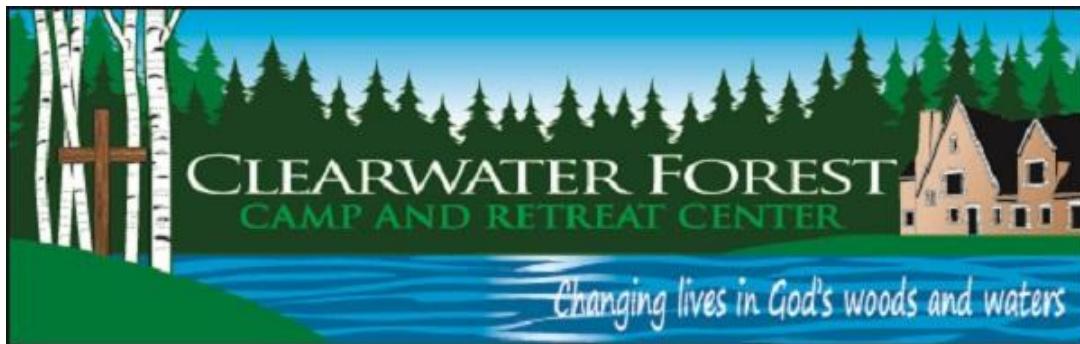


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Dear Clearwater Friends,

I am writing to inform you that our Executive Director, Rich Swartwood, has informed us that he has accepted the call to be Executive Director at Camp Lake Stephens, a Methodist Camp in Oxford Mississippi beginning February 5, 2018. We are grateful for Rich's nearly four years of dedicated service and wish him and his family the very best as he moves to this new opportunity.

Clearwater Forest is blessed with an outstanding staff and Board of Directors who are working to ensure a smooth transition between Rich's departure and the arrival of a new staff. On February 10 the Board will meet to approve new position descriptions and a way forward. In his time here, Rich has brought strong leadership to developing and improving our infrastructure, administration and hospitality. The camp has never looked better and as we move forward our board will continue to build upon the work we did with him.

We welcome your prayers as we move through the coming months and anticipate sharing exciting news as the future unfolds.

Sincerely,

Jon A. Kirschhoffer, President of the Board

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*A personal note from Rich:*

It is with mixed emotion I tender my resignation as the Executive Director of Clearwater Forest. I have accepted the position of Executive Director at Camp Lake Stephens, a Methodist Camp near Oxford Mississippi. This journey has been God filled and led. This move will allow my family to relocate closer to my immediate and extended family and use my skills in a new setting.

I truly appreciate the opportunity over the past four years to grow in my faith, my leadership, and am incredibly blessed with the countless relationships that I have had the privilege to develop. My prayer is that the ministry of Clearwater Forest continues to grow and provide opportunities for many more generations to experience God's love.

I appreciate your prayers and support during this transition time. Please know you are in my prayers as well.

Blessings.

Rich

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