

The journals in the Carter Cabin are there to invite those who experience the cabin the opportunity to share a reflection. These are a few of many of different writings and reflections people have shared. Those who stay in the cabin can read these they stay at the cabin.



Psalms 145: 8 (The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.)

As I came out to this cabin, I was told the journals were pretty cool by a group member. I have been so blessed and my soul restored by spending a morning in solitude and reading through this journal with just the Lord.

Praise God for this opportunity to be here. To see Him at work in the lives of this special community that loves and knows how to love without hindrance or strings. I pray that God continues to move, grow, and prosper Good Works and all those who work, volunteer, and make Good Works possible. Being apart of this for only a week of service has overwhelmingly blessed me and I am incapable of finding vocabulary strong enough to express my gratitude and thankfulness for this opportunity.

I arrived here broken and tired of forcing myself to be a better person because I can not do it – there is nothing good in me apart from God. This place has encouraged me and gladdened my heart to remember that God works everything for good for those who love Him and blessed are those who wait for Him, hear Him speak, and take action.

Lord, I praise You! I love You, oh God, my Father! Transform my heart and destroy my own desires, replace my desires with Your own Will. Give me a heart to desire You and to love others as Your creation in Your image just as they are. I pray for those who use this cabin and solitude that they find rest and peace in their struggles, and feel Your love and presence. Lord bless this place.

As I sit here I am trying to figure out and really take in all of the things I have come to realize this week here at Good Works. I guess the first thing that I am really thankful for is all of the new people that I have met. Even if they do not know it every person here has taught me a lot, and really opened my eyes to the big world that I have not yet seen. Everyone from the staff, that leads in what it is like to live as a Christian, to the kids at Kids Club that just wanted love and attention, and one of the most amazing things the people at the Timothy House, that have so much to offer and teach me. I am so thankful, that I have been blessed to be here at this time and also that I got to share it with some of the people that I am closest to. I am so thankful to everyone who has helped me along my faith journey. Without them, who knows where I could be in life. One of the best things about coming to places like this is how much closer it brings me to God each and every time, as my time here comes to a close I just hope that I have touched someone this week, as much as everyone has helped and taught me.

With God's Love

I'm just another teen who was raised in a house full of God. My dad's a pastor, so I woke up to help him set up the service every Sunday morning.

I don't know if anyone else has had the feeling that you can't do anything because you're a teen. The Good Works staff really taught me that even a kid like me, God can work through me to help our neighbors.

Reading these journals and hearing all these God stories about people's lives may sound disheartening if you've grown up in the church, but you don't need to make a thousand wrong decisions. Everybody is different. If you realize it or not, your story is unique, you are unique, I am unique. God works in mysterious ways. I learned a lot this week.

Thank You Lord for writing through me and thank you Good Works staff for being amazing hosts.

(Sunday)

To Anyone & Everyone

If you are reading these words, be sure and go back to the beginning of this book and read all the beautiful expressions from each writer – then write your own. It will bless you and in turn you can bless others. Remember we are all in this world together to strive and struggle to advance His

Kingdom on earth as it is in Heaven. Each one of us has a “good work” to do. May this setting in God’s nature help each of us to find definition. My life scripture is John 8:32 (Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.)

P.S. Let each one of us start a “mission of good works” where we are.

“For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the Lord God is a sun & shield; the Lord will give grace & glory: No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.” Psalm 84:10-11

I pray that the people who enter Good Works would find rest in the Father’s House. That they who know Him would seek refuge in His wings & those who don’t would see that the Lord is good. Lord bless this ministry & use it to further Your Kingdom. Thanks for quiet time spent with You because a moment spent with You in Your Presence is better than 1000 moments that the world has to offer. Use this place to bring more people into Your rest.
