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Faith Statement

I remember back in fall 2017 when we started talking about signing up for Confirmation Camp. I never got a good context on what it exactly was. I thought it was all mud, snakes, and hiking. I kept debating whether I should go or not. Once I decided that I was going to go, I had a bunch of thoughts go through my head. What if I want to leave halfway through the week? What if I forget something that I absolutely need, at home? Once we got to the church and loaded our bags into the car, I started getting nervous and scared. All of the negative thoughts started coming back. We left church and I was trying to erase all of the negative thoughts. Once we arrived it didn’t look as bad as I thought. The first night was the roughest night. I couldn’t sleep and I was thinking how could I survive a week of not knowing what time it is or what I'm going to do next? Halfway through the week I didn’t want to leave. The counselors and all of my friends had made my faith in God stronger every day we were there. Especially on the zip-line. I wanted to go last and was debating on whether I should even go or not. Once I got on the stand, my legs were shaking and I could hear everyone at the bottom chanting my name. I finally let go and went down. Once I got out of the trees, it felt like I was flying and I could see the whole camp. Taking a deep breath in and realizing that being at camp made me a whole new person and changed my perspective on God. I know that he was with me the whole time at camp. This reminded me of the bible verse Philippians 4:13 “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me”. I knew that at camp that if I felt like I couldn’t do something, I had to take it from an attitude of faith and pray about it as I was doing it, then I would have succeeded. This year has been tough for all of us and throughout the whole entire year, I knew that God was by my side. Through both the good and bad. I will always think of that verse whenever I’m struggling at school, with friends, or with anything. Ever since camp, God has changed my perspective on life, and I thank him for that, along with all of my friends and counselors at camp.