

Acknowledgements

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Not only is it a challenge to put together an in-person camp for kids on the beach for the first time under normal circumstances, but it's another level when you are planning 3-camps-in-one with at least 2 contingency plans under the uncertainty and tightening of Covid-19 social gathering restrictions and the rising number of local infections daily. Thanks to Natalie who had the foresight to envision an online camp, and then it was all about converting a physical camp to an online one with incredible intensity.

All thanks be to God, who made it happen. I am in awe at the work of His hands, through me and those around me. God was the one who deposited the words of the camp messages to us. He was the one who gave the idea of using a digital backdrop, and so raised the production value. He breathed His life into this camp, and speaks His words to our camp children and families specific for this season. He loves to show how great of a God He is - and how He is able, not how we are able - taking the little that we give to Him and multiplying it for His kingdom. If we look up to see, He shows the splendour of His glory and moves beyond our expectations.

I pray this camp moves and blesses you. God is moving and is at work amongst you.

Blessings
in Christ,
Priscilla Boyle

