

# WESTERN SPIRE SEPTEMBER 2023



The Christian Education Team would like to thank everyone who made the 2023 Everest Vacation Bible School such a success! We had an amazing group of volunteers and participants. Our theme this year had children exploring Mount Everest. We learned that we can conquer all challenges with God's mighty power.

Our first day we met Klymer, a snow leopard, who told us God has the power to provide. Children listened to 1 Kings 17 in our Bible story center and learned about God providing for Elijah. Our second day we met Cliff, a marmot, who reminded us that God has the power to comfort. In our Bible story center, we listened to 1 Kings 19 when God spoke to Elijah. Our third day we met Mallory, a bar-headed goose, who reminded us that God has the power to heal. Our Bible story was from 2 Kings 5 where God heals Naaman. Our fourth day we met Pike, a mountain goat, who reminded us that God has the power to forgive. Our Bible story was from Luke 22:31-24:12 Jesus dies for our sins and comes back. Finally on our fifth day we met Yeddy, a Himalayan brown bear, who reminded us that God has the power to love us forever. The children listened to John 14: 1-3. In the Bible story, Jesus promises us an eternal home.

Each day the children enjoyed playing Glacier Games, making arts and crafts, had a yummy snack and lunch. We had a morning and afternoon worship where we sang songs and talked about our God sightings. It was an absolutely fantastic week!

Thank you to the Palmyra Reformed Church for co-sponsoring. Thank you to our many amazing volunteers. Thank you to our participants and families. Thank you to Mr. Arthurton who provided pizza lunch on our last day. Thank you to Kathy in the office for all of her assistance. We are so grateful!

