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 run by Christian Appalachian Project
 CAMP SHAWNEE
 Martin, KY
 I worked at an overnight camp for children from impoverished families. The campers alternated between girls and boys from week to week. The beginning of camp started with the youngest (6-8). Camp ended with the oldest group of campers (12-14). This is a picture of my 12-14 y old group of girls. All counselors are volunteers. Some are year

We engaged in a wide variety of activities with the kids. Main activities included paddleboating, canoeing, hiking, and overnight camping. These activities were mingled in with Bible study, Arts and Crafts, swimming, and other sports. The day runs about 17 hours for the counselors and 14 for the kids.



The kids were all great and the staff really supportive. Many of these children are from families on welfare. An alarming number of them are abused.

Here's me
with one of my
campers before
she left to
go home.



What really amazed me was
at these children all had smiles
in their faces despite their hardships
home. They just wanted to be
loved and to be loved. Camp
Canaan provides a wonderful
experience for these children every
year. To continue this, they need people
to volunteer their time to work at the
camp as counselors and workshop
leaders.

At the end of camp I left to go stay
at the women's volunteer house.

For my last work
in Kentucky I
volunteered at a
shelter for battered
women.

