



Over 7,000 children in Georgia are in foster care, and many are separated from one or more siblings.



“I’m so glad that I got to see my brother. I miss him so much. Even though we go through tough times, better times are ahead. I feel my family is at this camp.”

—camper quote



Camp To Belong-Georgia is a non-profit organization that provides a **free, week-long summer camp at a Camp Twin Lakes facility which is accredited by the American Camp Association.** Camp To Belong-Georgia’s (CTB-GA) mission is to reunite siblings, ages 8-18, separated by foster or other out-of-home care. CTB-GA strives to give siblings the opportunity to strengthen the relationship that is often the longest in life—the relationship between brothers and sisters. We encourage them to be positive and have fun while creating treasured memories with their siblings.

The **Camp To Belong** organization was founded in Nevada in 1995 by Lynn Price. At age 8, Lynn found out that she had a sister; they had been separated while living in foster care. **CTB** has grown to host camps in 9 states and Australia.

In many ways, **CTB-GA** is a typical summer camp with bon-fires, sing-a-longs, canoeing, biking and hiking. More importantly, campers are grouped together by family so siblings can focus on re-connecting. Throughout the week, siblings engage in specialized programs designed to enhance the sibling relationship and provide life skills.

In 2015, **CTB-GA** held its 8th summer camp with 76 campers from 21 Georgia counties as well as 37 volunteer staff and counselors from across the state. For every 2 campers, one volunteer serves alongside. Educators, nurses and social workers volunteer with engineers, salespeople, students and retirees; they are all united by their love for children and their desire to improve the lives of others. **CTB-GA** is generously funded by individuals, businesses, grants and civic organizations

CTB-GA also strives to serve as the catalyst for system-changing solutions regarding sibling policy, recruitment of foster and adoptive families for siblings and best practices among child welfare professionals.

CTB-GA will hold its 9th annual camp from June 12-17, 2016 at Camp Twin Lakes, Warm Springs, GA. Camper, counselor and day volunteer applications will be available at www.camptobelong-ga.org beginning February 2016.

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