



Montlure has become a special place with special meaning for many campers and Presbyterians for over 85 years. Down through the years, children and adults alike have supported and participated in the growth and development of our church camp. The greatest growth has probably occurred in within each of us and our Christian lives, as we have made new friends, worked and played together, and worshiped God together surrounded by His great beauty. The heritage of this beautiful camp located high in the White Mountains near Greer, Arizona, comes from the vision, toil and sacrifice of many dedicated people.

Rugged and remote, Montlure has relied upon the friends of Montlure to steward the site and its ministry forward so it could be cherished by every new generation. Whether it was to resurrect and reopen the site after WWII, build a new lodge on the embers of the old, drill a new well to assure a safe water supply, or expand the site with new cabins and facilities, the friends of Montlure have answered the call. The mission, ministry, and memories of Montlure have always persevered the challenges of the day.

Since the 2011 Wallow Fire, Montlure has been working to overcome the latest challenge. The fire highlighted previous and new safety concerns that must be addressed. Since safety is paramount in the ministry of Montlure, we must meet all the requirements of the forest service. Unfortunately, this has taken longer than hoped or anticipated. It's been difficult to say the least. However, this is just the latest challenge to overcome and Montlure is calling upon the friends of Montlure for their continued support of the Greer facilities.

Current Need: As the council and its engineers work through the necessary steps with the U.S. Forest Service, the ongoing costs of maintaining and insuring the site has chipped away at the funds available to support. Montlure needs to develop a sustainable operating fund solely for the maintenance and insuring of the Greer facilities. The estimated annual cost is \$20,000.

How you can help: Montlure is looking for 5 churches and 100 individuals to be sustaining friends of Montlure to help maintain our Greer facilities. Montlure is asking \$100 annually from participating supporters and is seeking \$2000 per year from its supporting churches. 100% of gifts received through the friends of Montlure program will be dedicated to Greer.

How you will benefit: You will be provided routine updates on the status of Montlure's ongoing efforts to re-open the site. You will be invited to special friends of Montlure weekends at the Greer site to participate in planning and ministry events. You will have a voice in future decisions made in Greer. You will be recognized as sustaining members of Montlure.

While participating in the Friends of Montlure program does not guarantee that the Greer site will reopen, it does guarantee that it continues to have a chance.

To join, contact us at FriendsOfMontlure@montlure.org or call 520-369-2199