



Down By The Bay

Fisher Bay Bible Camp's Tri-annual Newsletter



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The Largest Summer Ever...Again!

Another summer of camp has come and gone and I am amazed once again at what God has done and what we all have had the opportunity to participate in as staff members, and camp supporters. God did amazing works this summer and proved himself faithful over and over again. Last year we had the most campers we had ever had, which was 263,

and this year God sent 282 for the largest summer yet. The three camps that cover the 11-19 year old age groups were all overfull and we are looking into adding new weeks or other options for next year. God provided the best weather for a summer of camp in six years and we had dry grounds to play on all summer. God provided

the staff we needed every week, sometimes they were found at the last minute, but we had enough staff every week and they were always great staff that loved God and the campers.

Having lots of kids at camp, having nice weather, and having great staff are all great blessings but the reason the camp is there is to draw children and youth to the Lord and to see them grow in Him. On this front we saw God work so visibly and miraculously that I was overwhelmed

at His goodness and power numerous times during the summer. There were weeks that were very challenging, with children's behaviours and other incidents, but God worked through every situation to show His power and to bring amazing results for His kingdom out of situations that looked bad.



I want to thank everyone who served at camp this summer on staff, on the camp board, our prayer supporters and financial supporters. It is a privilege to serve God, and it is a blessing to serve together with so many other people who love Him and have the same goals in mind.

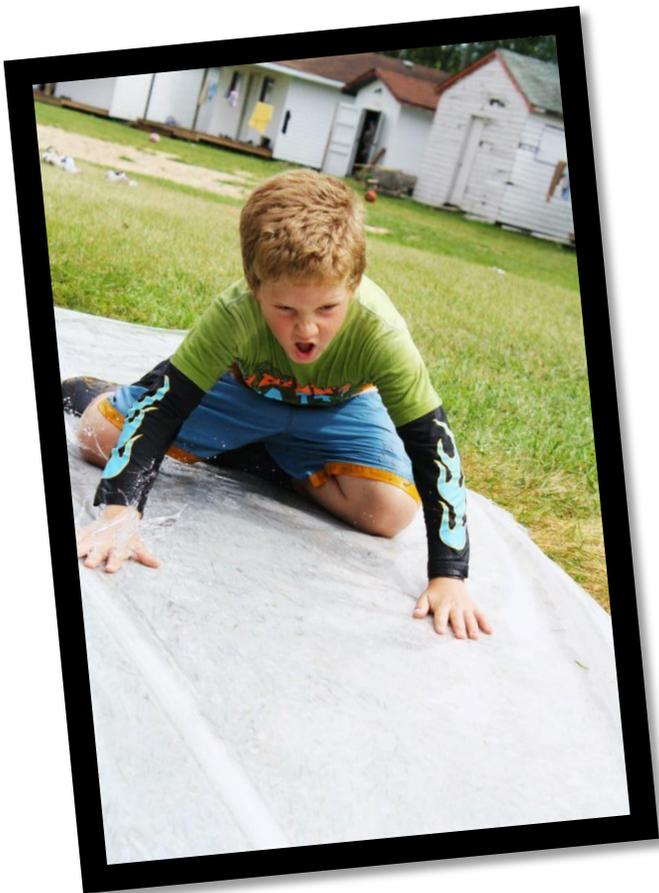
Continue to pray for the camp work over the off season. Pray for those campers that have given their lives to the Lord that they would take advantage of Christian fellowship available to them and grow in the Lord throughout the year. Pray for those working in the area year round. Pray for those who have heard the message but have not decided to follow Christ that the Holy Spirit would soften their hearts and that they would chose to follow Christ. Pray also for the camp board that they would have wisdom in planning and making decisions over the fall winter and spring.

God Bless,
Carlyle Hartog
Director of Fisher Bay Bible Camp

God is Love

One afternoon I was walking back to the camp with one of my campers from the beach. She wanted to take a certain way but I would not let her so she stormed off and got very upset with me. She refused to talk to me, again. There had been a previous incident where I was the bad guy so to speak after I moved the balloon she was blowing up right in my face. So here I was trying to communicate with my camper and by now she had another girl from my cabin teamed up against me. She told me she never wanted to talk to me again. I was a little bit frustrated because I did not know what to do and after the campfire - which was actually quite funny because she thought she could hide from me, which she could not because her Flip-Flops were 'glow-in-the-dark' - I went up to Carlyle and some other people and explained to them what was going on. They prayed for me and my situation, but I had my doubts. I was tired and frustrated. When I came back to the cabin my camper ran towards me and gave me the biggest hug ever. She said she forgave me and I almost cried. In that moment I realized how fast God can change hearts and I was amazed. The rest of the week was filled with laughter, some frustration but mostly love.

Submitted by: Sandra Heilmann



Prayer Requests

- Pray for the campers as they return to school, most without a Christian influence at home
- Pray for those doing follow-up with the campers: Fran Hartog, Scott Rosom, Kevin & Janice Sims, Juliann & James Thiessen
- Pray for the needed volunteers to complete the building project
- Praise God for another wonderful summer where many children heard the Gospel of Christ!

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