

May 2021 Newsletter

We have less than sixty days until the first campers will be arriving at camp for the summer... typing that out just now fills me with excitement, while at the same time makes me feel a little anxious. Where does the time go? It is crazy how the days can seem so long and yet months go by so fast. This spring has been filled with gym rentals, weekend retreats, work projects, and getting ready for a full summer here at camp. There is only one free weekend left between now and the start of summer that camp is not being used in one way or another. We have weddings, family gatherings, and company picnics all upcoming. In addition, I have been busy working on renovations in the homestead so Kate and I can move on site before the start of summer programs.

As we prepare for the summer, I am encouraged by the number of families signing up for summer camp. This year we are offering three day camps and two overnight camps, in addition to the rental groups we host. At this moment we have one hundred fifty-five campers signed up for day camp, and eighty campers for our overnight weeks. It is great to see new families signing up as well as the returning ones. We look forward to getting our programs finalized, bringing our summer staff onsite, and getting to be able to love on the kids when they start to show up.

We are still looking for a few more volunteers and summer team members. If this is something you would be interested in, please reach out to us. As a volunteer you can serve for a day, a week, or for a couple hours on a Saturday. You can serve directly with campers or in a support role. Here are some of the service opportunities that we are still looking for this summer.

- MS Overnight Nurse: providing basic first aid and monitoring camper medications. (August 2-6)
- Cabin Counselors: co-leading a group of campers through their week of activities. (multiple weeks)
- Activity and Support Staff: setup and lead activity areas, help maintain the grounds and facilities.
- Food Service Workers: help with preparing meals, setting and clearing during the overnight weeks.

Prayer Requests

- Pray that retreats and summer camp schedules will return to pre- Covid levels in 2021.
- Pray for finances. Covid caused a severe disruption to our income stream in 2020. We are still working on digging our way out of the shortfall in finances that created.
- Pray for ongoing staff support needs.
- Pray for summer staff needed for 2021, especially nurses. Pray that God would be at work in the lives of people now leading them to serve this summer.
- Pray for volunteers for this year's Floyd Sensenig Ride and Family Day at camp on August 22.

Thank you to those who pray! To God be the Glory great things He has done!

The Rohrbaughs

Update on the new Horse Barn









Thank you to everyone who came out to our barn raising!

Praises: Progress has been slow and steady on our new barn project. We want to praise God for what he has done. To date excavation and site work was donated. Pad preparation was completed by camp staff. All carpentry which includes framing, the roof and siding was completed by volunteers. The concrete floor was completed by a contractor but for a reduced price. We need to install the large barn doors and additional

windows, finish the inside, paint the exterior and grade and seed the lawn to complete the project. Our goal is to have it ready for use by the first week of camp.

Ways that you can help this Spring/Summer:

We have several exterior painting jobs that need to be completed. We have a lot of weeding and mulching to do yet. There is always downed firewood to be cut up and split. We could use a mechanic to help maintain tractors and mowers. Could you volunteer to serve in a support role at camp this summer?



Current projects awaiting funding:

We are also looking for help to fund these purchases before the summer: replacing sports equipment \$250, replacing life jackets \$500, a new laptop computer \$750, tires for a newly acquired tractor to allow us to double our wagon ride capacity \$1,000. If you are willing to help, please let us know.

If you are interested in more information on becoming a volunteer or financial partner, please contact Jon (jon@greenviewbiblecamp.org or 717-413-2816) or Steve (steve@greenviewbiblecamp.org or 717-413-8693)

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