

Mountain View Bible Camp Newsletter For All Ages

Spring 2019

# Thoughts from the Administrator's Desk

Dear friends of Mountain View,

As I sit at my desk and write this note, I am very conscious that summer camp is just around the corner. The grass and trees are green, the pool is full, registrations are arriving, and many programming plans are in the works.

Our theme this year is BROKEN. As we consider all that is going on in the world around us, it is true that we can be consumed by all the things that seem to be broken. We may even feel broken ourselves with a real sense that hope is lost. There was a group of people that felt that same way in Acts 27. As a ship encountered a storm that lasted for days, discouragement set in. Acts 27:20 states, "When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up hope of being saved." (NIV)

As Paul Harvey would say, "And now for the rest of the story." The apostle Paul was on that ship and he had a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. He told them to keep up their courage. He gave public witness that he had trust in God. He knew the end of the story because God had shared it with him. Though the ship was lost, all human life on that ship was saved that day.

You may feel like hope is lost and you are broken. Life may be a mess. Everywhere you turn, things seem to be messed up. Jesus Christ is the answer. None of us can do it on our own. Travis Cottrell is credited for the lyrics of the song "Just As I Am (I come Broken)." These words have been an encouragement to me, and maybe they can encourage you as well.



Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
I come broken to be mended,
I come wounded to be healed,
I come desperate to be rescued,
I come empty to be filled,
I come guilty to be pardoned
By the blood of Christ the Lamb,
And I'm welcomed with open arms,
Praise God, Just as I am.

How are you doing with your personal relationship with Jesus Christ? He offers hope, real hope, not just for this life, but for eternity. To begin this relationship with Him, you must simply admit you are a sinner, confess that fact to God, ask Jesus Christ to be your Savior, and He will save you. As the song says, come just as you are in all your brokenness. Jesus is waiting for your invitation to Him to be welcomed into your life.

What are you waiting for? Now is the time of salvation.

Jonathan Stassel
Camp Administrator





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# Benefits/Needs of Camp

One of the things I love about camp is the temporary community that develops during each session. Knowing that each camp is unique in attendance and topic, camp provides an arena for God to do His work in the lives of each camper and staff member. I could rehearse numerous stories of individuals who attended camp and during their stay, responded to the quiet voice of God, through the Word of God and His people, and had a life altering encounter with the Savior Jesus Christ. Others who attended have made lifelong friends who have helped to encourage one another in every aspect of life. There is a special beauty in seeing people work with people in God's work.

Though camp sessions do not happen every day of the year, every day there is something to do at camp. Some days are busy with campers, staff and programs. Other days are filled with paperwork, maintenance and construction. Though the face of daily ministry may vary, the focus of reaching and discipling individuals does not change.

Did you know that camp is utilized 10 to 12 weeks each summer and 75% of weekends the balance of the year and much of that is with rental groups? What this means is that camp staff are busy cleaning, planning and maintaining facilities all year long with very little down time. Food service happens at every camp session, not just the MVBC sponsored ones. Your help in serving these areas is always appreciated. Whether it is volunteering in food service, cleaning, construction or maintenance, there is always something to be done.

Right now, camp does have a need for funds. Camp is presently carrying a debt of \$20,000 on a line of credit. This credit line was established to help balance out the ebbs and flows of normal cash flow during the year, and especially during times of construction. Duplex two is 100% complete. Duplex three is 75% complete with a financial need of \$25,000 to reach completion. We would love to have Duplex three ready for use this year. Additional maintenance on buildings and other projects will be scheduled as time and funds are available.

Please pray often for this ministry. Should the Lord direct you to help financially support this growing work or volunteer in service, please let us know. God continues to do great things at and through this ministry.

Thank you for your partnership.





## Second Annual Work Team Accomplished a Lot of Projects

On May 17-18, a team of more than 20 individuals descended upon the mountain to attack a number of work projects including painting, cleaning, weeding, playground area construction, general maintenance, etc.. Many of these workers were young people with a heart for service. The Lord graciously provided good weather and many of the slated projects were accomplished.

It is a wonderful sight to see all ages, younger and older, working together to accomplish the Lord's work. A special thank you goes out to each one that played a part in the weekend.

We are looking forward to doing another work weekend in the future!

# **2019 Camps**

June 30 <b>-</b> July 6	Family Week (All ages)	
July 7-13	Senior Week (Ages 14-19)	
July 14-20	Intermediate Week (Ages 11-13)	
July 21 <b>-</b> 27	Junior Week (Ages 8-10)	
August 10-17	Missions-In-Focus (Already Full)	
September 6-8	Wilderness Weekend	
	(All ages - Must attend w/adult)	
September 14	Board Meeting @ MVBC	

September 27-28 Ladies Retreat

(Ages 18 and up - 14 and up w/adult)

October 4-6 Jr/Int Weekend (Ages 8-13)
October 25-27 Fall Senior Weekend (Ages 13-19)

December 26-30 Winter Escape (Ages 13-19)





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2019	Discounted	Regular	Paper
<b>Rates</b>	Rate OL	Rate OL	Rate
Men's Retreat	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$70.00
Senior Weekend	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Family Wknd Adult	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Family Wknd 8-12	\$75.00	\$80.00	\$90.00
Family Wknd 4-7	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$75.00
Family Wknd 0-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jr/Int Weekend	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Young Adult	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Family Week	\$320.00	\$350.00	\$375.00
Family Week 8-12	\$180.00	\$210.00	\$230.00
Family Week 4-7	\$130.00	\$150.00	\$175.00
Family Week 0-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Senior Week	\$320.00	\$350.00	\$375.00
Intermediate Week	\$310,00	\$340.00	\$365,00
Junior Week	\$300.00	\$330.00	\$355.00
<b>Ladies Weekend</b>	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Ladies Wknd - Sat Only	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$70.00
Wilderness Wknd Adult	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Wilderness Wknd 8-12	\$75.00	\$80.00	\$90.00
Wilderness Wknd 4-7	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$75.00
Wilderness Wknd 0-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Winter Escape	\$230.00	\$250.00	\$270.00
OPTIONAL FAMILY RATES			
Family Weekend	\$280.00	\$300.00	\$350.00
Family Week	\$950.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,100.00
BUS FEES Weekend - No Meal	\$35,00	\$35,00	\$35,00
Week - Meal Stop \$5	\$35.00 \$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
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## Mountain View's

# **Mission**

This ministry will strive to provide well maintained residence facilities and grounds in order to:

- Disseminate the truths of the Bible and glorify God in all areas of camp ministry.
- Stress the necessity of salvation, sound Biblical doctrine and a deeper consistent walk with the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Provide innovative, challenging, nature-based educational camping for people of all ages.

# Mountain View Bible Camp Gredit Card Direct Giving

#### Why join this plan?

- Administrative time/costs will be reduced, enabling your gift to work faster to spread the gospel.
- 2. Works automatically, so you don't have to remember to mail your check.
- 3. Saves on postage cost.

#### How to sign up:

- 1. Fill out this form (be sure to sign and date it).
- 2. Send this form to Mountain View Bible Camp.
- 3. MVBC will do the rest.
- When you sign up for the Direct Giving Plan, your gift will be charged to your credit card as noted.
- Credit Card Direct Giving Plan gifts provided to Mountain View Bible Camp are tax deductible.
- Mountain View now also accepts PayPal. A link is provided at MVBCamp.org.
- If at any time you wish to increase, decrease or suspend your giving, contact Mountain View Bible Camp at 570-672-2296 or 570-274-6979.

#### Please divide my gift in this way:

- A. I would like to contribute to the General Fund. \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_

  B. I would like to help needy campers (Scholarships). \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- C. I would like to help meet the 15% to 25% gap between fees and expenses.
- D. I would like to contribute to the New Construction Fund.
- E. I would like to help support the Full-Time Staff living expenses.
  - Total Amount of Charge:
- ☐ Please charge my card **one time.**
- Please charge my card each month.

Thank you for supporting the Lord's work at Mountain View Bible Camp!

Type of card: □ Visa □ Master Card □ Discover
Card Number
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Name on Card
Billing Address
City
State Zip
Daytime Telephone ( )
E-mail
Please begin monthly charges on or after this date
I would like the monthly card transfer done on the following date:
□ 1st □ 15th □ Doesn't matter

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Card Holder's Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_

RETURN TO:

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- Used Skid-Steer on rubber tracks with attachments
- New Chairs for Pool Area
- Umbrellas for Pool Area
- Night Stands / Bed Side Tables for Duplex Cabins

#### Items Received:

- Construction Supplies
- Some Board Games
- Sports Equipment
- New Double Stack Ovens
- · Plants and Flowers
- 4x4 Timber for Playground Area



This newsletter is published for those interested in Mountain View Bible Camp. Letters, comments and questions are welcome. Please send them to:

#### **Mountain View Bible Camp**

99 Mt View Lane Danville, PA 17821 Call: 570-672-2296

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## **Full-Time Workers**

Jonathan and Annemieke Stassel Administrator

Mark and Andrea Fuhr Operations Manager

**Sam and Ruth Bishay** Food Service Manager

Jim Schulte

Food Service Assistant Manager

Fritz and Lottie Geiger Support Staff

### **Board Members**

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