



Christian Campers of Minnesota Newsletter

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Presidents Letter



To Fellow Christian Campers:

I really enjoyed our time together in June. Even though we were a smaller group than usual, the time we had together was very special. I can't wait to see what God has in store for us in July.

It was so encouraging to get the positive report from Aubrey and Ruth Gray that they didn't find any cancer. God is good. All the time.

We are still looking for some people to host our annual banquet in October. If you have ideas, please bring them to one of the board members.

Just a reminder to be sure and get your camping reservation in early for St. Cloud in July and August as these are busy months at the campground.

2018 Christian Camper directories are available for one dollar from the person who collects dues each month.

Terry Larson, President

Camping Dates for 2018

July 20 th – 22 nd	St. Cloud
Aug 17 th – 19 th	St. Cloud
Sept 21 st – 23 rd	Waseca
Banquet	To be announced

Wagon Masters for 2018

July	Roy & Judy Fuller, Ervin & Jeanne Johnson, Loren & Myrna Hansen
Aug	Don & Lorraine Erickson, Alan & Marlys Johnson, Stuart & Charlotte Swenson, Marv & Sandy Sias
Sept	Gaylord & Pat Fries, Dick & Barbara Volkmer.



Don Davidson is having hip surgery
Pat Fries is having tear duct surgery
Political issues concerning United States
Ruth Gray praise for being cancer free
Pray for our missionaries in the field
Tim & Ann's safe return home

July Camping Agenda

July agenda has been e-mailed or mailed to you along with this newsletter for information on the events that are scheduled.

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Elected in 2018*

May 2018 Financial Report



Bank Balance, 5-1-2018	\$446.93
Income	\$1,085.50
Expenses	\$927.00
Balance on hand 5-31-2018	\$605.43
May Missionary Support	\$516.00

Income includes dues, offerings, auction and clothing sales

Expenses include program costs, coffee, rolls, speakers, Missionaries, postage, printing and badges.

Pictures



**In June we heard the King Family.
It was a real treat.**



In May we heard Higher Call quartet



Missionary Reports



Steve and Carol Jean Gallagher their activities can be found on line at:
www.facebook.com/PNGgallaghers.

Thank you for your ongoing faithful support of our ministry to the people of Papua New Guinea through Bible translation. Thank you especially for your prayers and for the donation you sent in May.

Some exciting things have been happening, which we'd like to share with you.

In our last update we mentioned that Steve would be checking the book of Revelation for the Migabac translation team. This happened in May. It was the final book of their New Testament, which they will publish and launch in 2019. Steve has been invited to attend the dedication.



Steve also participated with a group of colleagues to do final formatting corrections for the Mato New Testament, which will also be published next year.

Steve has been preparing to do a thorough consultant check of the Gizra books of Romans, 1 Corinthians, Philippians, and James, which will happen next month. He will then prepare to check 1-2 Corinthians for the Kaluli translation team. That checking session will be in November.

Last week Steve attended a seven-day Greek Refresher course. Although he has had extensive training in Greek, it was good to revisit the important topics which help to better align our translations accurately with the original text.

Carol Jean recently completed her first semester of teaching grade 2. It was an enjoyable challenge to re-employ her teaching skills in the classroom after 27 years. Teaching at the school enables translators and other missionaries to continue their work without sacrificing their children's education. There were also four Papua New Guinean students in her class. She will be preparing for another year of teaching after a five-week "summer" school break.



School break will include something much more exciting than preparing for the new school year. We are looking forward to a two-week visit from Adam and Lizzy beginning on Monday, June 18th! It will be fun to show Lizzy where Adam grew up. Earlier this month they celebrated their first wedding anniversary. We haven't seen them in person since just after their wedding.

Praise God for the progress that was made in translation work and in furthering the education of the children of missionaries and of others.

Please pray:

for a safe, healthy, enjoyable trip for Adam & Lizzy.

for the translation teams Steve works with to find the best ways to communicate God's Word in their languages.

for Carol Jean to be a good influence on her students.

for Carol Jean to wisely balance her use of time.

that the Bariai people will continue reading their Scriptures and growing in their knowledge of Christ, resulting in personal and community transformation.

Thank you for your prayers and support.



Dan and Tina Gibbs. *Our mission statement is to Glorify God, providing sustainable community services to Nigeria, specifically the Mambila Plateau with the intent and purpose of advancing the kingdom of God through the demonstration of compassion and the love of God in the lives of its staff.*

Dan and Tina Gibbs will be at the July Camping weekend. Friday evening they will give a presentation and an update on activities in Nigeria.



Earl and Bev Rutledge family

Thank you for your prayers and offerings. They are very important to us.

The situation in Nicaragua has become even more critical and serious. The death toll has increased, the number of injured is now in the thousands, several cities lack food and supplies, and thousands have lost their jobs. The following is a quote from the U.S. Embassy travel advisory:

"Rallies and demonstrations are widespread and occur daily with little notice. In many instances the government responds using tear gas, pepper spray, rubber bullets, and live ammunition, leading to significant numbers of deaths and injuries. Looting, vandalism, and acts of arson often occur during unrest, including in tourist areas. The perpetrators are often government-controlled thugs in civilian clothing, sometimes using vehicles without license plates. Government authorities detain protesters, and many people have disappeared. Human rights groups have documented credible claims of torture of detainees.

Please pray for God to intervene in this situation. We are in daily contact with our pastors, leaders and friends all over Nicaragua while we are here, to receive accurate news and to pray with and encourage them in this difficult time.

We can clearly see how God took us out of Nicaragua before the violence started in order to protect us while all this was happening. We give thanks for that.

This month was one of travel for us. After visiting my parents in Hibbing, we attended our daughter Kelsy's graduation from Youth With a Mission in Redding, CA. She learned so much in her Discipleship School and in her 6 weeks ministering in Turkey. Our son Luke, who is now on staff in the Music Department of the YWAM base in Montana, also drove to be there. So it was nice to be with 3 of our children together for a few days.

Now we are on our way to TX, where we will see our son Judah, visit Earl's brother, and connect with our mission base. Then we will drive to NC for a conference the last week of June. We will have logged about 7000 miles before we return to Nicaragua.

Pray for safe travels, provisions for our journey, good connections with people, and a time for rest and renewal during the rest of our time in States.

CAMPER OF THE MONTH

We started with babies in cloth diapers in a tent in 1969. Then went from pop ups, to travel trailers, a

5th wheel and a motor home. Somewhere in between all of this we owned sail boats and had one that we could sleep and camp in.

Last season we down sized and traded in our motor home for a new 24' foot Winnebago travel trailer. It has just one slide out. We intend to use it for shorter trips and Christian Camper weekends. It's our new retirement RV.

We have done some of the same things that many of you have. When Loren retired we bought a fifth wheel and traveled the eastern states in the fall for 3 weeks. Next, we purchased a Time Share at Hart Ranch in the Black Hills and traveled there often. We wanted to see the new baby animals in the spring and the pretty leaves in the fall. Our parents enjoyed some short trips with us and a longer one to Canada and the pacific Northwest. One year we traveled with friends for 6 weeks out to the pacific northwest, west coast and southwest.

We enjoyed the Gulf of Mexico in Alabama as snowbirds for 12 winters. A hurricane there forced us to spend 4 winters in La Feria, Texas. We visited Bibleville and now wonder if some of that good music was done by Doug and Linda. We did not know them then.

