



Christian Campers of Minnesota Newsletter

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Presidents Letter



To all Christian Campers:

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: SEE BELOW

There will be some significant changes in the dates and locations for 2020. We will not be going to Waseca at all next year, but will be replacing May and September by going to St. Cloud instead. Also the September camping weekend will be the second weekend of the month rather than the third weekend.

September of 2019 will be our last campout at Kiesler's in Waseca. The campground would like reservations and deposits 30 days prior to date of arrival.

Kiesler's CC Discounted Rate: \$32.00/night. Visitors \$5 per person per day for people coming into the RV Park (\$10 per person for the weekend.) Rate for 4-night stays is \$118 which is \$29.50 per night. That rate includes 2 people.

We're still looking for wagon masters for September. Signup sheet will be available at St. Cloud.

I encourage each of you to share information about Christian Campers with your families and friends. We would love to grow our group.

2019 Christian Camper directories are available for free. Take one at the table in the rally center.

Terry Larson, President

Camping Dates for 2019

July 19 - 21	St. Cloud
Aug 16 - 18	St. Cloud
Sept 20 - 22	Waseca
Oct 5 Banquet	Wilderness

Camping Dates & Locations for 2020

May 15 - 17	St. Cloud
June 19 - 21	St. Cloud
July 17 - 19	St. Cloud
Aug 21 - 23	St. Cloud
Sept 11-13	St. Cloud
Oct 3, Banquet	to be announced

Wagon Masters for 2019

July Ron & Judy Nelson, Alan & Marlys Johnson, Marv & Sandy Sias

Aug Tim & Ann Crist, Gaylord & Pat Fries, Terry & Patty Larson

Sept Tim & Ann Crist, Volunteers Needed



Rutledges for safety, witness and peace as they return to Nicaragua
 Jerry Maart continues to have back issues
 Marge Ryks as doctors review a biopsy
 Our Missionaries in the field

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 for 2019*

June, 2019 Financial Report

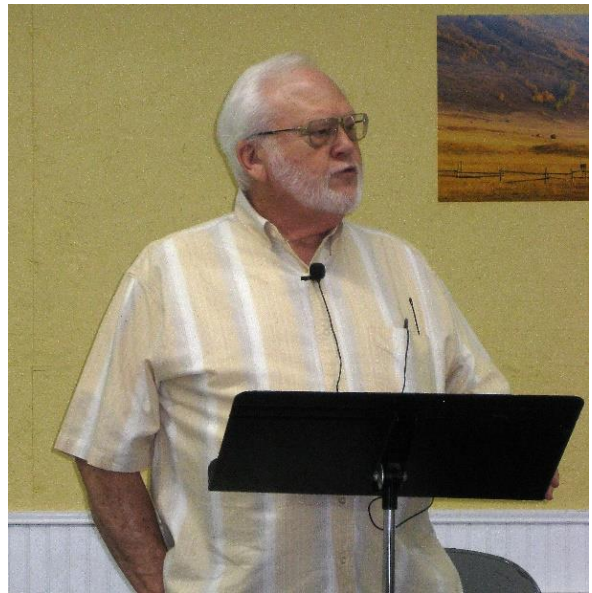


Bank Balance, 6-1-2019	\$673.70
Income	\$787.00
Expenses	\$724.28
Balance on 6-30-2019	\$736.42

Income includes dues, offerings, auction and clothing sales

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

Pictures



Sunday morning worship – Pastor Lucht



Songmasters – Jerry & Ginger Dahlin



Saturday's Potluck Dinner

Missionary Reports



Steve and Carol Jean Gallagher their activities can be found on line at:

www.facebook.com/PNGgallaghers.

As a translation consultant for the past 21 years, Steve has checked Scripture for 41 languages, amounting to 917 Bible chapters. Those languages represent a total population of over half a million people! Now that we have concluded our involvement with the Bariai translation, Steve is working full-time as a translation consultant.

Steve is also involved in a **ministry to a local prison** every 2-3 weeks. Other groups minister there on other weeks. Several men have come to faith in Christ, and many are growing in their faith. Next Sunday seven of the men will be baptized by local pastors. Praise God.



Steve has two more consultations coming up in July and August, one of which he still needs to prepare for.

Carol Jean and her second-grade class finished the school year last week. She's thankful for the opportunity she had to be a part of the children's lives and education.

Our future plan is for Steve to continue working remotely as a translation consultant. Carol Jean has been offered a part-time role with Wycliffe to assist behind the scenes in the recruiting **process**. "On the

side" she will be looking for opportunities to share the gospel with people she encounters, as God opens those doors.

Thank you for being partners with us in this ministry through the years by praying and giving. You are making a difference for God's kingdom as His Word is translated into the languages of **the world**.

We praise God:

- for the translation work going on in Papua New Guinea and throughout the world.
- for the growing faith of many men in the local prison.
- for His provision of a place to live in Florida.

Please pray:

- for God to continue guiding Steve in his consultant work.
- for God to continue to work in the lives of the men at the local prison.
- that the Bariai people would continue to engage with and apply the translated Scriptures to their lives.
- for God to open doors to share the gospel with people in Florida.
- for the process of sorting our belongings and packing our crate.

P.S. Financial Information

Just as we have been trusting the Lord to provide for our ministry and living expenses through faithful partners throughout our years in PNG, **we will continue to rely on his provision through people like you** after our relocation to the USA.



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.*

We will arrive back in the US in early July. We will be at Christian Campers for the July weekend.

We have so much news to share since our last newsletter! We really appreciate your prayers and

love as we journey forward in Gembu!

We have had 10 students have started their new businesses in their villages or in Gembu since April 1. We are so excited to see these young lives that have been changed and given hope.

We have 17 students in business class, they will take the final business test on June 21 and final prep class for this session on June 20. Those that pass the prep class will be interviewed with their caregivers before they [start](#) with their trainers in their career of choice.

Our reading classes are going well, Monday-Wednesday classes are for pre-readers as well as beginning readers, Thursday Classes are for transitional readers, and on Fridays, I am teaching English words, reading, writing, and spelling for children that know little to no English.

We have had a lot of building projects these past months and are working on getting them all finished before we leave for home the end of June. A new clothes washing area for the family centre has been added, as well as underground drainage gutters to drain all the water from rainy season, the retaining walls around the new cleared out area for future building has been finished as well as stairs beside the current computer training center. The newly remodeled registration/triage area is working wonderfully and traffic flow is so much better with this space! The new fire escape from the upper level of the Hospital building is done. The Infectious Ward renovation is moving forward as the building has been enclosed after raising the roof so that during rainy season the inside work can be completed.

Here is a brief report from the Hospital Chaplain about three people that he has been able to share the Gospel message with.

A lady was admitted in GECHAAN hospital with a critical health problem, the chaplain shared about free salvation which Christ offers to everyone without discrimination to the patients in the ward where she belonged and she decided to accept Christ immediately after listening to the message.

A lady was seriously frustrated by her family members who abandoned her in her hospital bed because she was HIV positive. I shared the message of Christ to her. After so much conversation with her, she said "I have believed" I want to identify myself with Jesus who forgives my sins. She confessed that she will identify herself with the local church in her village and be baptized.

A man brought his sick wife to GECHAAN hospital where she underwent surgery. I shared the gospel message about salvation with them and both of them accepted Christ. They were full of thanks for the love and care they received from the hospital staff.

Going Forward

By 2020 or early 2021, we will need to begin construction of another building for the hospital and for additional administrative office space. Along with that we will need to expand the amount of land needed. There is land behind us which is undeveloped and available.

Please pray for all the staff in the Hospital as they share the good news of Jesus with those that come.



Earl and Bev Rutledge family

Greetings to all of you. Our past month has continued with travel to teach seminars and train leaders. We spent two weeks in Guatemala, teaching a follow up seminar to those we have trained on previous trips. We also taught different material to four new groups of people, and spent hours in healing prayer with various others. We enjoyed two days of fun in Antigua, celebrating our 37th anniversary, before we began our heavy teaching load. It was a wonderful trip and we received many words of thanks from the people we shared with.

After returning to Nicaragua we taught another seminar in Granada, the oldest city in Central America. We will be returning to Granada the first weekend in August.

Thank you for your support that allows us to travel and equip leaders in many different churches and ministries. The harvest is truly plentiful but the laborers are few. Please pray for wisdom for us as we sift through the large number of invitations we have received so we know which opportunities God is leading us to accept at this time.

Blessings of grace and peace to you all.