



Christian Campers of Minnesota Newsletter

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Presidents Letter



To all Christian Campers:

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: SEE BELOW

If you are planning to attend the banquet at Wilderness Retreat Center on October 5th please let us know by calling Terry Larson (612) 201-2058 or Loren Hansen (612) 720-0570. We need a count on the number participating.

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 going to St. Cloud in May & September. 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 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.

We need to have wagon masters Signup for next year. Only July is filled so far.

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

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

Sept Tim & Ann Crist, Red & Cindy Courneya, Dick & Barb Volkmer.



Rutledges for safety, witness and peace.
 Jerry Maart continues to have back issues
 Pat Fries recovery from hip surgery
 Our Missionaries in the field

September Camping Agenda

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

2019 Board of Directors

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Elected for 2019*

August, 2019 Financial Report



Bank Balance, 8-1-2019	\$606.33
Income	\$3,037.00
Expenses	\$2,929.16
Balance on 8-31-2019	\$714.17

Missions Offering(Auction 2194.50) \$2499.00

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 Bohnsack



August Music-Gary & Carmen Schimpp

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.

The Bariai people have been using **the New Testament** with Genesis and Exodus in their language for the past 7 years. Even though we are no longer **working** directly with them, the Bariai people remain in our hearts. We remain in contact with some of our Bariai friends and trust that the Holy Spirit will continue to work in their lives.

- **Praise God** that the Bariai have had the Word of God in their language in audio and written forms and that it is touching people's lives. Interest in spiritual things is currently very high among them.
- **Pray** that more Bariai people would engage with and be changed by God's Word.
- **Praise God** for Theresia and others who have a passion for teaching Sunday School every week.
- **Pray** that more people would be committed to this important ministry and that children would commit their lives to God.
- **Pray** against Satan's strategies to corrupt God's truth or to distract people from following God whole-heartedly.

Practical Matters

An important step in making a Bible translation accurate and understandable is to do a check with a consultant. Globally there is a shortage of consultants. Steve will continue to meet that need as a translation consultant. Instead of working from Papua New Guinea, we will be based in Florida. Steve will work remotely on consultant preparation and will travel to the Pacific for face-to-face consultations a couple of times a year. Carol Jean plans to join the Wycliffe recruitment team in the area of practical support. She will help people find their place in God's mission and help reach the Next generation of Bible translation personnel. We will be relocating to Florida in September.

- **Praise God** that we were able to purchase a furnished double-wide mobile home for a good price in Lakeland, Florida.



- **Pray** for an increase in financial partnerships to meet our new budget for working from the USA.
- **Praise God** for the translation work going on in Papua New Guinea and throughout the world.
- **Praise God** for the growing faith of many men in the local prison.
- **Pray** for God to continue guiding Steve in his consultant work.

Steve spent over two weeks doing translation consulting for the Binandere language translation team as they checked the Gospel of John, 2-3 John, and part of Galatians. Along with other help, Steve helped them recognize a feature of the grammar of their language, which will help make the translation communicate more naturally. The team was thankful for Steve's advice and is hoping to work with him again when he is back in Papua New Guinea doing consultant work.

During Steve's ministry trip to the prison last Saturday, after the prisoners heard the gospel preached by a colleague, Steve had the privilege to lead six of them to give their lives to Christ.

We leave PNG in three weeks, on September 6. On the way to the USA, Steve will attend a conference in Germany for translation consultants, and we will do some sightseeing on the side.

- **We leave Papua New Guinea on September 6th.** **Pray** for good closure for us after living here for most of the past 27 years. **Pray** that God would continue to prepare us for our work based from Florida.
- **Steve will be attending a conference in Germany** in September for the newly forming Global Consultant Pool. The GCP will coordinate sharing of translation consultants throughout the world. **Pray** that God would lead in all of the sessions.
- **Praise God** that since Steve's travel expenses for the conference are covered, we will be **able to see a bit of Europe** on our way to the USA. **Pray** for enjoyable and safe travel (especially driving on the left side of Ireland's narrow roads).
- **Pray** for safety driving a U-Haul to **move our stored belongings** from Wisconsin to Florida in October.
- **Pray** that we will **make friends in Florida** and that God will open **doors for sharing the gospel** with those around us.
- **Pray** for God to guide us as we **plan our schedule for visiting churches and other partners**. We will be fitting travel to the Midwest and New Jersey around our moving and settling in, and the birth of a new grandchild in January.
- **Pray** for a **safe delivery and healthy baby** for Erin and Mark.

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 continue to rely on his provision through people like you** after our relocation to the USA.

How to contribute: Use Wycliffe's address below or give online at <https://www.wycliffe.org/partner/gallaghers>. Include a **separate note** with the following information:

- (for regular expenses)
Steve & Carol Jean Gallagher
– **Account number 231400**
- or**
- (for expenses involved with relocating to the USA, including a car and shipping expenses)
Steve & Carol Jean Gallagher – Launch Expense Account number 71-231400

DO NOT TO WRITE THIS INFORMATION ON THE CHECK.

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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.*

They were at Christian Campers for the July weekend and shared much good news.

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

We have 17 students in business class, they took the final business test and final prep class for this session in June. 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.

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

We are in another month of travel and ministry. We finished our 4th seminar in Granada with excellent results and many beautiful testimonies.

The day after the seminar my girls and I flew to Minnesota to see my parents for 10 days. They continue to struggle with health issues, but are stable.

We also traveled to Kansas City for a short visit with three more of our children here, while Earl flew to Atlanta. Tomorrow he will drive to North Carolina for three days of meetings.

Next week Esperanza and I will meet Earl in the Houston airport and fly together to Peru for two weeks, teaching one seminar in Lima and another in the more remote area of Tingo Maria. Joining us will be a couple from Guatemala that we have trained and mentored, and another couple from Mexico.

Please pray for us for safe travels, health and protection as we minister in Peru.

Thank you for your financial gifts and support that enables us to bring light, salvation, and hope to the nations.