



# Christian Campers of Minnesota Newsletter

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## Presidents Letter



To all Christian Campers:

The Annual auction in August is still on unless we can NOT secure an auctioneer.

The board is still working on finalizing the location of the Annual Banquet along with working out the banquet details. It will be held the first Saturday in October.

We should have more news at our July Campout regarding both items.

We look forward to seeing everyone as we serve the Lord, support our missionaries and experience sweet fellowship in May, Lord willing.

Tim Crist

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

September camping will always be in St. Cloud in the future. Please note: The campout for September will be held on the second week in September.



### Dean Larsons 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

We celebrated Dean's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in June with a cake and sang Happy Birthday.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAN**

### MISSIONARY SUPPORT

As you know, one of our goals as Christian Camper club is to provide support for three missionary families. If you are unable to attend a camping weekend feel free to send a check to Terry Larson, the Treasurer of our club at any time.

Send checks to: Christian Camper Club with missions in the memo. Terry will place checks in the Christian Campers account and send checks to the missionaries.

Terry's address is: Terry Larson  
7517 Bryant Ave., Richfield, MN 55423

### June 2021 Financial Report

<b>Bank Balance, 6-1-2021</b>	<b>\$986.92</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$1190.10</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$1082.52</b>
<b>Bank Balance, 6-30-2021</b>	<b>\$1094.50</b>
<b>Missionary Support for 2020</b>	<b>\$4,131.00</b>
<b>Each Missionary received</b>	<b>\$1,377.00</b>
<b>Missionary Support for 2019</b>	<b>\$4,290.00</b>
<b>Missionary Support for 2020</b>	<b>\$4,131.00</b>

## Camping Dates & Locations 2021

May 21 - 23 St. Cloud

June 18 - 20 St. Cloud

July 16 -18 St. Cloud

Aug 20 - 22 St. Cloud

**Sept 10 - 12 Note dates St. Cloud**

**October Banquet to be announced**

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## Wagon Masters for 2021

- May** Red & Cindy Courneya, Gaylord & Pat Fries
- June** Earl & Judy Fuller, Loren & Myrna Hansen, Al & Marlys Johnson
- July** Tim & Ann Crist
- August** Douglas & Linda Mosier, Terry & Patty Larson
- Sept** Red & Cindy Courneya

**Banquet TBA**

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For strength and healing for Louise Klawitter  
The success and speedy recovery from Pat  
Fries surgery  
Our Missionaries in the field

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## Missionary Reports



### Steve and Carol Jean

*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!*

Steve and Carol Jean Gallagher can be found on line at: [www.facebook.com/PNGgallaghers](http://www.facebook.com/PNGgallaghers).

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Steve and Carol Jean wish to express their thanks for our ongoing partnership with them in reaching the Bibleless people with God's translated Word. Your offerings and prayers are a vital part of what makes their ministry possible. May God increase the eternal fruit of this investment and return a blessing to each of you. Here's a report of what's happening in their ministry as missionaries with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

### **Translation consultant work**

Steve's primary role in Wycliffe is to provide quality assurance for translated Scriptures. Normally Steve gives his input ahead of time and later works with teams in person to apply the suggested improvements to the translation. During covid, consultations have only been conducted remotely.

He has been working remotely with the Mandara team in Papua New Guinea on their book of Genesis. He submitted his suggestions to the team and looks forward to working with them to make improvements. When the consultation is complete, they will be able to publish the Mandara book of Genesis.

Steve is in the planning stages for a consultation with the Etulo translation team in Nigeria on their books of Romans, Colossians, and Hebrews. He has already had several video conferences with the Etulo team. He will also be mentoring translation consultant trainees during the consulting process. There is a possibility that Steve will be able to conclude the consultation in person in Nigeria in November.

### Prayer points:

- Pray for the Mandara team as they do comprehension testing of their book of Genesis and meet to review the adjustments Steve has suggested.
- Pray for the Etulo team and Steve, that he would be a good help to them. This is the first consultation Steve has done with a team not from PNG.
- Pray that plans for Steve's trip to Nigeria in November will work out.

### Translation resource development

One of Steve's roles is to serve on a team that produces translation guidebooks in easy English, called Translator's Notes, for teams working throughout the world. Steve is assigned to the book of Exodus, to provide examples of valid ways to express the meaning for each part of every verse. He is currently taking an online Hebrew refresher course with Jerusalem Seminary in order to improve his ability to serve the Translator's Notes team. There is a possibility that Steve's Hebrew course will conclude with an intensive month-long study program in Israel. Wycliffe has reserved funds to cover his costs.

### Prayer points:

- Pray for Steve to make good progress in developing the Translator's Notes resource on Exodus.
- Pray that this resource will be a great help to teams all over the world who are translating Exodus.
- Pray for good collaboration for Steve, his mentor, and the others who serve on this team.

### Use of the translated Scriptures – Praise God!

It was exciting to hear of the December 2020 publication and distribution of the Gizrra New Testament in Papua New Guinea. Steve worked in 2018 as the consultant for the Gizrra book of Romans. Just recently, on June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Binandere gospel of John and 9 epistles was dedicated and distributed among the Binandere people. Steve worked with them in 2019 on their gospel of John and Galatians as their consultant.

### Prayer points:

- Pray that the Gizrra and Binandere people will engage with God's newly translated Word and grow in their faith.
- Pray that the Bariai people (whom the Gallaghers worked with for 24 years) and other language groups Steve consulted for would read God's Word more and more and that the Holy Spirit would transform their lives.

### Mobilization and recruitment

Carol Jean works as an administrative assistant for the mobilization team of Wycliffe. Praise God that despite (and even because of) covid, her team is sharing about ways to become involved in Bible translation to more people than ever through online means: webinars, virtual job fairs, online courses, and job postings.

### Prayer points:

- Pray for more people to become part of the Bible translation movement by joining Wycliffe.
- Pray for the people who are interested in serving with Wycliffe and for the recruiters who guide them, that they would discern God's leading.
- Pray for the Wycliffe leaders who are in the process of reorganizing the department that includes mobilization and recruitment.
- Pray that by the fall semester the mobilization team would be able to resume in-person mobilization events, along with the online events.

Again, thank you, and have a great weekend! We hope to join you on one of your camping weekends this summer.

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: **Steve & Carol Jean Gallagher**

– **Account number 231400**

DO NOT WRITE THIS INFORMATION ON THE CHECK.

**Wycliffe Bible Translators**

**PO Box 628200**

**Orlando, FL 32862-8200**

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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.*

**Dan and Tina Gibbs** have been back in Nigeria since the end of January and it is zooming by!

We are finishing the inside of our new administration building. This will also serve as partial rental property bringing in income to help in our effort to be sustainable here in Gembu!

Our first prep class was tested two weeks ago and 3 young people are now starting as apprentices to learn bread baking, tailoring, and business computer center. We have the next class meeting daily from 8:30 until noon. That will go for three months before they take the entrance exam to enter the apprenticeship program. We are working on getting back on schedule as the Co-vid shutdown in Nigeria affected 3 separate sessions.

We have been able to hire another teacher and she is doing very well. We have reading classes every afternoon from 5 year olds to adults.

We are working on bringing a sea container here hopefully in August. We will have medical equipment, teaching supplies, and a dental office set up as we look forward to further ministry.

We plan on being back in the States Mid-July to the end of August to pack the container and get it on it's way as well as take care of Dr. appointments, etc.

Please pray for this next container - that we will get the duty waiver exactly when God wants us to have it.

Please pray for health, we have both had some health challenges.

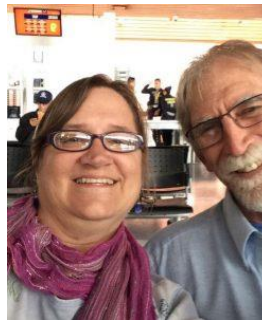
Please pray for our staff as we are working on Leadership development & introducing the disciple making program.

Please pray for missionaries to come join us for a month, months or years.

Much love and thanks from Gembu!  
Dan and Tina Gibbs

Gibbs mailing address is: Dan & Tina Gibbs  
P O Box 282, Pine River, MN 56474

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### **Earl and Bev Rutledge**

We are so thankful to be back home in Nicaragua after our unexpected lengthy stay in the States after Bev's dad (Earl Sunnarborg) passed away March 20, 2020. We greatly miss him this Father's Day, but

rejoice that he went peacefully to his eternal home with Jesus, just as all the Covid regulations and difficulties began. We were grateful for special permission for Bev to stay with her mom in assisted living for 6 weeks afterwards. We did not expect international travel to totally stop or for our flights back home to be canceled 5 times, even after travel resumed to other countries. However, we enjoyed the opportunity to see family members, all of our children and grandchildren, several of our supporters, and see beautiful scenery while we crisscrossed the U.S.A.

We are thankful for God's protection over us, that Earl recovered well from Covid and that we had a safe place to stay while he was sick. Bev and Esperanza did not have any symptoms, although we were all together the entire time.

Here in Nicaragua prayer needs continue to be for the overcoming of Covid sickness, anxiety, fear, and economic difficulties, along with prayers for the elections, which will be in November.

The past few months of being home have been filled with cleaning and organizing, putting in order long overdue paperwork, and in-country travel. It's been so good to minister in-person instead of via Zoom, and meet with all of our main groups and churches. We've made 2 teaching trips to Bluefields, on the Atlantic Coast, now accessible by vehicle. Bev has hosted 2 trainings in our home for pastors' wives. Our calendars are full, and it's great to be back on the field. The people here are so happy we are home, and we are too. There is much to be done.

Thank you for your support and prayers. Thank you for being a part of gathering the harvest through your gifts.