



Christian Campers of Minnesota Newsletter

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Presidents Letter



I regret to inform Christian Campers that Bob Bigelow passed away on Wednesday, June 17, 2015. He was 102 years old. His obituary stated that camping with Christian Campers was one of his favorite things. He loved visiting with everyone. Conversations with him were always very interesting. He always had wonderful stories to tell. At 99 he still drove his A-frame pop up camper to Waseca and camped with us.

Camping Dates for 2015

July 17 th - 19 th	St. Cloud
Aug 21 st - 23 rd	St. Cloud
Sept 18 th - 20 th	Waseca
Oct 10 th Banquet	Amery, Wis.

Wagon Master Listing

July David & Joan Michaelson, Don & Lorraine Erickson and Alan & Marlys Johnson

Aug Marv & Sandra Sias, Dick & Louise Klawitter and Jim & Pamela Wright

Sept Gaylord & Pat Fries, Jerry & Margery Ryks and Peggy Phillips

Oct Ron & Judy Nelson, Paul & Betty Anderson, Alan & Marlys Johnson and Marv & Sandra Sias

Prayer Requests

Dick Klawitter-COPD breathing problems
 Lois Klawitter-back problems
 Bob Bigelows family-as they morn his loss
 John Sirjord-In nursing home, slowly improving
 Bev Stangland-fell and broke ribs and is in terrible pain
 Ann Crist- growth that is of concern for cancer
 Our Missionaries in the field

Announcements

Waseca camping rates for 2015. \$26 per night. \$10 for weekend visitors or \$5 per day. Refunded if canceled 7 days prior to arrival. \$7 handling fee is deducted. Kieslers office phone is 507-835-3179

St. Cloud camping rates for 2015. \$37.50 per night. No extra cost for visitors. Refunded if canceled 48 hours prior to arrival. \$10 handling fee may be deducted. St. Clouds reservations: 800-690-7045

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Financial Information for 2014

Beginning Balance	\$1,151.40
Income	\$770.16
Expenses	\$771.53
Balance as of 5-31-2015	\$1150.03

Income includes dues, offerings and auction

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

Missionary Reports

Amy Hedstrand is a teacher in Bogota, Columbia. She teaches English to the Jr. and Sr. High, Christian Education to 10th and 11th graders, and is homeroom teacher for the 9th grade. She adopted a Colombian girl named Tayly, who is being home schooled this year.

Bogota is not a safe place to live, and they have increased security. They live in a gated and guarded apartment complex but recently a woman and her daughter were tied up and robbed. It is obvious Amy is an American, and it's assumed that all Americans are wealthy and therefore a target for theft.

Steve and Carol Jean Gallagher are Wycliffe Bible Translators in Papua, New Guinea. They have translated Genesis, Exodus, and all of the New Testament into the Bariai language.

They have been in U.S. on medical leave but returned to (PNG) last February. They have recovered from the trauma of their house in (PNG) being broken into where what wasn't stolen was trashed-except the boxed of Bariai Bibles! God protected His Word. People were touched by Steve's testimony about why he is able to forgive people. Steve is doing consultant checking for other languages which are being translated.

Dan and Tina Gibbs, We would like to report that things are peaceful and going well. We are working very hard on putting into practice new procedures on preventing theft from the clinic, guest house and restaurant. I have been meeting with pastors introducing them to AWANA, woman's groups and Days for Girls project. On the Standing Beside facebook page you can read our newsletter. We really love and miss our Christian camper friends this summer. We are so thankful for your prayers.



Camper of the Month

Don and Lorrain Erickson had a 13' Twist camper. On the fourth of July a few years ago they told Chris (the owner of St. Cloud Campground) that this was the last year for the Twist. Chris said, "Did you know Wagner's have their Scamp 16' travel trailer for sale". Well, they bought Dave & Delphine Wagner's (they are Christian campers) 16' Scamp and went and picked it up in Brainerd.

One of their trips was to Steele, North Dakota to see friends. While there they decided to go camping . Because Don's car was being repaired they had to pull the Scamp behind their friend's fifth wheel. What a site!

Besides camping with Christian Campers they camp on Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor day weekends. They were in Branson in 2012 and went to Itasca State Park in June of this year. They just really enjoy camping.

