

Echo Lake Bible Camp 2009

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2009 Camping Season—What its all about

May the love that came with the birth of our Lord...

The joys that were heralded...

And the Blessings that were bestowed upon us... **Shine upon you this Christmas, and always.**

Merry Christmas from all of the camp leadership

Camp Dates 2010

JOY camp

June 3—6

Young Adult Camp

July 1-4

Youth Camp

July 4-10

Kids Camp

July 11-16

Family Camp

July 16-25

Harvest of Praise

Oct 29

Our camps continue to be very successful. Year after year, God provides us with people that are excited to direct and work in all areas of the camps. We are blessed to have the leadership of people like Cory Illingworth and Josh Smith who lead our youth camp. They have been donating their time and energy, providing leadership and training for our youth campers. People like Kristen (Birley) Adams and Chad Hoffman, who in the last couple years, have been taking on more active roles in directing and leading the youth and kids camps. Charlie Bowen has been directing the family camp for the last couple years and this year will be mentoring Joseph as he prepares to help direct family camp. And last but

certainly not least is Rudie Wiens. He has been faithfully working with others to lead our JOY camp for many years.

All of our camps were very well attended. JOY camp



The water trampoline we added this year was a great hit. Something for kids (of all ages :)) to enjoy

had approximately 90 people in attendance.

Youth camp is always something to look forward to. It is a place where they

can break from the routine of school, extra curricular activities, and their family situations. Here they can meet with God one on one.

Kids camp was full, perhaps even over full this year. Many kids got to experience God for the 1st time at camp. One girl learned what it meant to truly worship God when they were singing worship songs. She had her eyes closed and was worshipping as she was singing. 9 kids became Christians and 1 recommitment to Jesus!

Family camp was 10 days long again this year. There were a lot of new families out, and the time with God and with friends is truly a great experience. We are all looking forward to camp in 2010.

Harvest of Praise Banquet

We had our annual Harvest of Praise banquet on Oct. 30th this year. This is always such a great event for the camp, and for the people that attend. This year we had the pleasure of getting to listen to Cheryle Zorn provide worship through music and singing, accompanied by her good friends Greg and Ulla Hovdestad.

We were also blessed with the opportunity to get to know our new camp managers a little better as they shared their journey, in a very touching and open way. Hearing their story helps us to see that God was at work to get them here.

The people that are able to attend this annual banquet

truly care about the camp, and it shows through the donations we receive. This year our attendees were very gracious in their giving. Thank you to everybody for their support and belief in our camp.

Its difficult to know if people enjoyed the visiting, the speakers, the music or the food the most. They were all spectacular.



Greg and Sheila Charanduk, our new camp managers

Camp Managers

As most of you already know, John and Margaret had decided that this would be their final year as camp managers. Aug 30 was their last day. They have moved up to the Rosthern area, so they can be closer to their family. We are truly grateful for the commitment they made to the camp during the 10 years of managing. I saw them in October, and they were doing well. Both John and Margaret had found employment, and they were able to find a very nice place to live. They are missed by their community and church, but I'm certain God has great things in store

for them in the next chapter of their lives.

With John and Margaret leaving, we were forced to find new managers. Thankfully, God was in control, and put Greg and Sheila Charanduk in a position to become the new camp managers.

Greg and Sheila started in the beginning of Oct. They are very excited to have this opportunity of ministry. They come here with their 2 children, Isaiah (7), and Faith (2). Greg and Sheila are both from Regina, and Sheila attended camp regularly as she was growing up. Sheila is

excited to be back at the camp she grew up in. We are looking forward to having them manage the camp, and using the skills they each have to maintain and improve our camp.

Please pray for Greg and Sheila as they start their lives with ELBC. And if you're in the area, stop by and say hi. Greg is eager to discuss the potential for the camp.

Jewell has been in camp leadership for 25 consecutive years!

ELBC Board of Directors

The following people will make up the board of directors for the upcoming year.

- Trevor Ennis—Chairman
- Charlie Bowen—Interim Vice chair
- Jewell Vanstone—Secretary
- Tammy Beutler—Treasurer
- Joseph Steeves
- Rudie Wiens
- Cam Senft
- Yvonne Beutler
- Sheila Sims
- Winston Pengelly

We thank Winston for the

years he has been treasurer for the camp. This year he has decided to step down from that position. We certainly do appreciate the time and effort that he put into that assignment.

Thankfully, Tammy has graciously decided to step into that position. Please remember to pray for her as she takes on this role.

We also want to acknowledge Jewell. She has been in leadership with our camp for 25

consecutive years! Thank you Jewell for your unending desire to minister to ELBC.

It has been a pleasure working with all the board members. They are all very devoted to the camp, and making sure that it remains successful.

Please pray for our board to continue to work well together, to provide proper vision and leadership, and to fulfill Gods mission through our ministry.

Things to watch for in 2010

We have a number of exciting things happening at camp for the upcoming year.

We will be freshening up the Jubilee building over the winter. It's a little overdue, and we believe it will be a positive improvement.

An event that we are adding this year is a Young Adults Camp. (YAC) This will run July 1st to 4th. The target audience is for those aged 18 - 25. We have some brave and

excited young adults that are coordinating this camp. Watch the website for more information on this.

Cabins E and F have a foundation that is starting to deteriorate. Before we can do any improvements on the interior of the cabin, we need to get the foundation level. We are hoping to do this work in the spring. It will be a big task, and may require a few volunteers.

At the Harvest of Praise banquet/annual meeting, our new bylaws were approved. This gives us a much stronger foundation for governing our camp. One of the achievements of this is camp membership. People will finally be able to become members of ELBC. I will be mailing out information on this in the new year.

I am very optimistic that 2010 is going to be another great year. Trevor



This foundation wall for Cabin E and F is falling. We need to rebuild the foundation of this cabin.