

## SUMMER 2012 PRESENTS: "THE TRUTH EXCHANGE" So "THAT THEY MAY KNOW HIM"

In 1946 a group of Godly leaders, who desired to make a difference in lives of youth and families, decided to purchase property on Bear Lake and dedicate it to the Lord and the work He could do through the mode of Christian Camping. Because it was their desire "That they may know Him," Philippians 3:10 became their mission. They were people who were committed to walking by faith. It was not easy and required much work, but God lead and they trusted Him. Like Moses, Noah, Enoch, Abraham and the many others who trusted in the leading of God in their lives, "All these people earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all that God had promised. For God had something better in mind for us, so that they would not reach perfection without us." (Hebrews 11:39, 40) God's picture is so much bigger than just one person or group of people. He has a plan that includes ALL of us! The book of Hebrews goes on in Chapter 12 with, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, and the champion who initiates and perfects our faith." This summer we will continue to run the race those before us began. In a world that is full of opportunities there are also MANY distractions that keep us from "Knowing Him." Our desire is to present the TRUTH of Jesus Christ and His ministry that culminated at the cross. We want people to "KNOW THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION" and what it means to follow Him and worship Him so that the lies of Satan in this world can be identified and EXCHANGED for TRUTH: "They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator who is forever praised. AMEN!" (Romans 1:25) And with that we welcome, by faith,

SUMMER 2012...."THE TRUTH EXCHANGE!"



## Phase 2...Ministry Activity Center...Update Completed:

- 4 Garage Doors Installed
- Paved Parking Lot
- High Bay Fluorescents for Gym Lighting
- Materials for 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Wall
- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Wall Framing

#### **Current Work:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Drywall/Finishing
- Electric Wire and Conduit
- Lakeside Porch Roof
- Volleyball Standards



#### Looking Ahead...Phase 2

- Sealing the Floor
- Exterior Security
  Lights
- Interior Doors
- Landscaping/Planting Grass
- Path from Upper Hill to MAC
- Materials for Upper Level Floor System

### Phase 2...AND YOU! Work Teams Needed:

- Hanging Drywall
- Landscaping
- Porch
   Construction





### Online registration is as easy as 1 click!!

Go to bearlakecamp.com and look for this icon! **CLICK HERE!** And you will be on your way to registering your camper(s)! Do it now, before **May 1** and get last year's registration fee.

### BLC Wish List

Thanks to the generosity of so many, our most-wanted or "wish list" seems to change with each newsletter. We appreciate those of you who have provided for the camp in the past! Listed below are the items we have the greatest need for at this time.

- Work Teams
- Tuesday Volunteers
- Refrigerator
- Log Splitter
- Portable Basketball Hoops
- Sound System for MAC
- 60" Round Tables
- \$\$\$ for 100 Folding Chairs
- Small Tractor
- Ground Roller
- Partners in the 200/10
   Team
- Standard Stand Kitchen Mixer
- Snow Cone Machine
- New Pillows
- Inner Tubes
- Tents
- Dish Towels
- Funds for CCCA
  Conference Registration
  Fees

If you are interested in donating or finding one or more of the following items, please contact the camp!

## Is Service Crew for you?

The *NEW* 2012 Service Crew applications are available on our website. If you are a High School student completing 9<sup>th</sup> – 12th grade and have a desire to minister through serving, you are encouraged to apply. For a more detailed job description and qualifications go to hearlakecamp.com



### Thank You Service Crew 2011!

### MAC Workdays

Every Tuesday, 8:30 am
Bring your lunch if you plan
to stay and work
in the afternoon!
Call the office for
more information

260-799-5988

### 200/10 Team!

We are thankful for those of you who have recently joined the team.

Approximately 10 years ago, we began the 200/10 Factor. We were looking for 200 individuals to commit to giving \$10 per month or \$120 per year, to help meet the monthly camp expenses. If we were to fill all 200 slots, \$24,000 annually would be given. We are thankful for the 45+ faithful participants who have generously given at least \$10 every month! However, with significant increases in utility bills – electricity, sewer, propane - and the fact that several are now in the presence of Christ, the need is great. Would you consider joining us with a monthly gift as we continue to be a "Lighthouse" pointing all who come here to Christ?

You can respond by marking the appropriate box on the enclosed envelope.



### "By Faith" Prayer Partner

"By Faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen. It is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to Him must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who sincerely seek Him."

Hebrews 11:3, 6

We are desiring those of you who want to share in the summer ministry through prayer to commit to being DAILY prayer partners as we labor together to share the "TRUTH" of who Jesus Christ is with each and every camper. We will email you with specific concerns, challenges and Godsightings each week. If you are willing to be one who we can depend on to do the ministry of prayer this summer, please email monty@bearlakecamp.com saying, "I will stand with you in prayer this summer...THAT THEY MAY KNOW HIM."











# Kids to Camp (K2C) Introduces... Connect to Kids (C2K)

- Did you or your child get to experience camp?
- Do you remember looking forward to that special week?
- Do you remember stories and experiences from that week?

We have a list forming of children that would love to have the experience of a week of camp.

This year we want to challenge and encourage those of you who do not have a child going to camp to help us make it possible for other children to go. Last year we welcomed 63 children to camp that come from financially challenged homes. Our goal is to raise funds for at least that many again this summer. For some, it will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. For some, they will hear for the first time about Jesus and experience a safe environment. For some, it means playing...OUTSIDE. For some, it will be 3 meals...EACH DAY. The children are selected and recommended to us by the ministry coordinators from each of four year-round urban ministries. It has been our privilege and indeed a blessing to partner with these existing ministries over the past 4 years and encourage them as they seek to help children "KNOW HIM." For those of us who are here at BLC, we have the privilege of witnessing the joy and hope that a week at camp can give these kids. We realized it would be wonderful if others could get a glimpse of what we get to witness. This summer we are inviting you to provide the \$245.00 for one child to come to a week of camp. In return we will match you up with a child. We will send you the child's name that you can pray for and a postcard that you can send during their week at camp. PLEASE, prayerfully consider if this is a time that you can share sacrificially of the resources God has entrusted to you, "THAT THEY MAY KNOW HIM." If this is a ministry that you want to have, please mark the "OTHER" box on the enclosed envelope and identify it with "C2K" when you send your gift of \$245.



"Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to His name. And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God."

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I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming Philippians 3:10 like him in his death.

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Or Current Resident

### ~Summer Camp 2012~

- Primary Overnight -June 8-9
- Junior I June II-16
- |r. High | |une | 18-23
- Junior 2 June 25-30
- Day Camp July 2-6
- Sr. High July 9-14
- Jr. High 2 July 16-21
- Junior 3 July 23-27

### ~All Camp Work Day~~~

**April 14** 8:30 am - 12

Spring cleaning - (cabins, dining hall, windows, etc.), Yard work -(sticks, leaves), Waterfront - (boats, piers, beach), MAC