



YOUTH FOR CHRIST
PRAIRIE RIVER CAMP

FALL NEWSLETTER 2018

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DEAR PRAIRIE RIVER CAMP PARTNERS,

From a middle school cabin leader this summer:

"I had nine girls in my cabin along with my co-cabin leader. On the night that we learned about how Jesus sees our mess, one of the girls shared her story. She shared about being sexually abused and how she still has those wounds. She also shared that we were the first people she felt comfortable sharing her story with. That was all Jesus. We prayed for healing over her and she said she felt a weight lift off her shoulders and felt more at peace than she had in a long time.

This week has been so good. I have seen and felt God's faithfulness this whole time."

Many youth come to camp carrying pain and hurt from their past. They hope for a better future. We know a better future is a future grounded in Jesus Christ; a future that is filled with life, love and peace. Our mission is to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus. Let's work to get even more youth who do not know Jesus to camp!

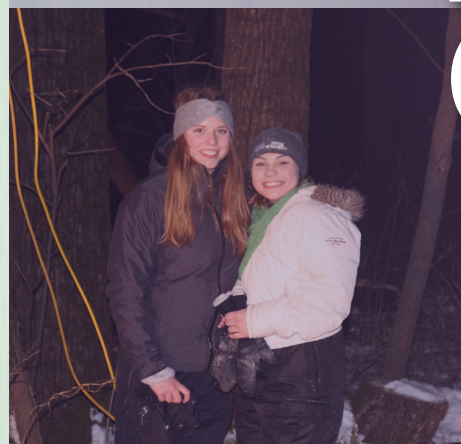
This ministry is so vital to seeing young people's lives changed. Please be in prayer as we search for a new Camp Director. Please also be in prayer for financial provision, the completion of the new Dining Hall / Shelter Building and volunteers to be a part of this ministry. Shawn is working on replacing the windows in the church and will be working to replace the deck on the lodge as well. We are beginning to plan for next year's winter and summer camps and would appreciate your prayers for all of this as well.

I would also like to welcome Nick Wolleat to the team. Nick was an Intern with Prairie River Camp a year ago. He spent this last year with Youth For Christ in Ireland. Nick will be helping Shawn with maintenance and construction as well as working on programming for winter camps. It's great to have Nick!

Reaching youth,

Greg Gudal
Executive Director





PRAIRIE RIVER WINTER CAMPS

HIGH SCHOOL: JAN. 25-27

MIDDLE SCHOOL: FEB. 8-10

\$95 per student

Prairie River Camp is excited to host Winter Camps!

These two winter weekends will be geared for high school students (Jan. 25-27), and middle school students (Feb. 8-10). We are excited to incorporate some awesome winter activities into a great weekend of fun, food, and growing in Jesus Christ. Potential activities include sledding, snowshoeing, ice skating, broomball, winter zip line and more! Our desire for this camp is to provide a weekend where youth leaders can escape the normal routine and enjoy a weekend of building relationships with their students. All programming will be done by PRC staff. We will feature a speaker along with times of worship as well as small group discussion times. Youth leaders will have an AWESOME opportunity to grow in relationships with their students during Winter Camp!

Important Details:

Arrive between 6 & 7pm on Friday evening. (Make sure students eat dinner BEFORE they arrive). Lodging will be in the PRC lodge or cabins. All facilities are fully heated. Please bring your own bedding. All meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday morning will be provided. Plenty of hot chocolate and coffee will be available. Groups will depart by 11am Sunday morning.

Cost is \$95 per student.

To Register:

Contact our Camp Director at 507.383.9989

Email us at registration@prairierivercamp.org

Visit us online at www.prairierivercamp.org

What to bring:

- Bedding (bunks & mattresses provided)
- Plenty of warm winter clothes (snow pants, coats, gloves, hats, boots, etc)
- Gym clothes
- Extra clothes
- Ice skates (if you have them)
- Bibles
- Flashlights
- Towel & toiletries

(If you are short of warm, winter clothes, we have extras available)



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BUILDING HOPE CAMPAIGN UPDATE

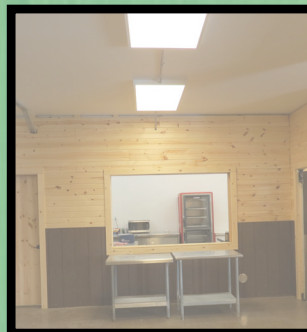
FOCUSING ON FINISHING THE SHELTER/DINING HALL BUILDING

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>PROGRESS</u>
Shelter Operational	\$25,000	Goal reached
Shelter Completed	\$18,800	\$5,000
Dining Hall Operational	\$105,000	\$33,000
Dining Hall Completed	\$47,000	Not met

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE, PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK TO:

Prairie River Camp, 116 West Clark St, Albert Lea MN 56007

with BUILDING HOPE CAMPAIGN
in the memo line.



THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS

Each Thrivent policy holder may qualify to apply for one or more \$250 Action Team projects each year. If you would like to know how these can help YFC please contact Greg today at 507.383.1782.

SUMMER CAMPS 2018



**PROGRAMMED
CAMPS: 5**

**CAMPERS:
182**



**NUMBER OF CAMPERS
WHO TRUSTED JESUS
AS SAVIOR FOR THE
FIRST TIME: 31**

**NUMBER OF CAMPERS WHO
RECOMMITTED THEIR LIVES
TO JESUS: 79**



**AT PRAIRIE
RIVER CAMP**

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS | July 13, 2018 - October 28, 2018



FINANCIAL

\$10,000 needed each month in donations

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Help with Dining Hall project, splitting wood, trail cleaning, and cutting up dead trees.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- + Safety for all who come to camp
- + More monthly donors
- + More groups to come and spend time at camp
- + Continued construction of Storm Shelter/Dining Building to go well
- + More volunteers to assist in projects

NEEDS LIST

- + Snow plow
- + 4-wheel drive pickup truck
- + 2" bar stock x 24"
- + Skid loader
- + Paddle boards

If you have any of these items, or would like to underwrite the cost of purchasing please contact the Camp Director at 507-383-9989 or registration@prairierivercamp.org.

PRAIRIE RIVER CAMP FACILITY NEEDS

1. Storm Shelter to be completed
2. Dining Hall to be completed
3. Lodging/cabins with more beds for campers
We have 100; we need 200

In memory of:

Phil Jenson

Given by: Ann Gronewald, Ardelle Knutson, Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home, Bob & Pat Goldman, Bruce & Joni Cather, Clair & Rita Drescher, Craig & Tamyra Williams, Dale & Marilyn Matson, David & JoAnn Sorensen, Dick & Barb Ochs, Doug & Pam Ruble, Gary & Sandra Hareid, Gayle Nelsen, James & Julie Knutson, Janelle Thorson, Janis Owens, Joe & Marcia Sczublewski, Larry & Connie Thompson, LeAnn Bollum, Lorraine Bakken, Marilyn Nelson, Marion Drescher, Marlene Wright, Mikal & Kim Gooden, Randy & Carole Jenson, Richard & Barbara Wichmann, Ron & Shirley Woitas, Shawn VanHal, Stan & Alice Jensen, Stephen & Lisa Hill, Carlene Moberg

Every effort has been made to ensure this list is accurate and complete. If we have inadvertently omitted, misspelled, or otherwise improperly reported your name, please accept our apologies and contact us.





Ways to FUND THE MISSION

Your faithful support is vital to the ministry of Prairie River Camp. In addition to regular giving, there are several unique options available. Below is a list of ways that others have helped and may be a good fit for you. It is because of your prayers and support that we have been able to reach young people in the Albert Lea area.



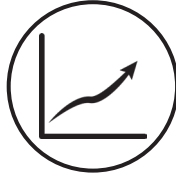
Become a Team PRC Member

Become a Team PRC Member by making a three-year monthly pledge of \$25, \$100, \$500 or different amount, or making a three-year annual pledge of \$1,000, \$10,000, \$25,000 or a different amount.



Real Estate Donation:

The value of real estate can often greatly increase the size of your estate. A real estate donation entitles you to a significant current tax deduction and can reduce the value of your estate, which can save or eliminate estate taxes. It can also provide a lifetime monthly income.



Donation of Stocks & Mutual Funds:

Donating appreciated stocks or mutual funds can be a great benefit to both the donor and Prairie River Camp. As a donor of an appreciated stock or mutual fund, you are able to avoid paying capital gains tax on the appreciation of the asset. Also, as the donor of that security, you get to deduct the full fair market value of the security at the time of the gift, if you have held the security for longer than 12 months.



Wills & Trust Bequests:

A bequest through a will or trust is the most popular form of planned giving. By remembering Prairie River Camp in a will or trust, you are looking past your own lifetime to further the work of the kingdom through the Prairie River Camp Endowment Fund. These gifts ensure that Prairie River Camp will always be ready to reach out to young people.



Charitable Gift Annuities:

You make an irrevocable gift, generally using cash, maturing CD's, or securities in exchange for lifetime guaranteed payments, the amount of which is based on the value of your gift and the age(s) of the payment recipients. In addition, the donor receives an immediate income tax deduction, and a portion of each payment is income tax free!

STAY AT PRC!

LODGE & CABIN RATES:

Families - Adults: \$19 per person - Children ages (5-17): \$10 per person

Adult & Youth Groups: \$19 per person - Large Cabin Minimum: \$45

Prayer Cabin Minimum: \$19

Exclusive upstairs use of The River Lodge: \$285 minimum (June - August)

Offseason minimum: \$190 (September - May)

Ester Brook Room: \$47 (Queen bed/handicap accessible)

**Cups of Faith (kitchen access): \$50 per day for exclusive use for overnight guests
\$100 per day for exclusive use for day use groups**

To make reservations please call 507.383.9989



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