



Sometimes, listening in on another person's conversa-

tion on a phone isn't so bad. Earlier today I couldn't help but overhear one of our staff members as she was talking to her mom. As she was eagerly dialling, she declared that people could listen in because what she had to say was something amazing. She started relating the events of what had transpired the evening before. She and the head cabin leader had been talking to their campers about what had happened that day. The conversation turned to a talk about Jesus and how He has provided Salvation for every one of us who will believe. The girls in the cabin were riveted and one in particular asked about what it meant to live for Jesus. She wanted to know because in her heart she wanted to make a decision to live for Him. Our cabin leader explained that a decision like this does not guarantee an easy life or that all of our problems will disappear once Jesus is in our lives. She said it does mean that Jesus has promised to always be with us every step of the way and give us joy and peace in spite of hardships. Even so, every single girl in that cabin was glued to her. In fact, during the conversation, they all got off their beds and came closer to hear what she had to say. They had so many questions and continued the conversation for a long time after.

I am so incredibly humbled that the Lord would use the ministry of camp to draw people to Himself. And yet, it happens over and over again.

Here is a text message sent to one of our counsellors weeks after his time at SABC: *"Hey Brett what's up, Got some good news I'm starting to see God changing me In some pretty unique ways, I went to the most beautiful place on earth for the long weekend. I was hiking and durring lunch I drifted off in to a really long prayer and I found myself in a really peacefull place were i heard God say \"I will always be with u\" and that was when I realized I don't have to be afraid."*

Consider this email message from one of our

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Not rain, not heat, not wind, and not even sewer problems can get these guys down!

Smack in the middle of all of the hustle and bustle of summer camp, volunteers and workers continue their tireless toil on the new lodge building. Even though we are two months behind because of the rainy spring, it is thrilling to see the building take shape and progress being made. The last touches on the roof are being made right now and by the end of August we hope to have the entire lower level floors poured with concrete. When walking through the building one can see how this new building will be used to invest in the lives of children. We can hardly wait! More pictures can be seen on our website at www.sabc.ca.

This fall, we will be launching a push to raise the remaining \$1.5 million still needed of the \$4.8 to fully cover the cost of the building.

Watch for it – there is some exciting news that will be announced as incentive to achieve the goal of having no long term debt. We are excited about all God will do! •



New in News

Good staff key to an excellent summer program

We've been again blessed with an amazing staff that have truly helped make this summer run smoothly. In all, we've had close to 200 staff and volunteers serve in some capacity. It is neat to see how God calls people to come and work for His glory here.

Though our camper numbers are down slightly from last year, we've still had the opportunity to invest in over 1500 lives this summer (1700 with family camp). Every one of these young people are introduced to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Our prayer is that every one of them will come to a place where they surrender their lives to God.

We did have a case of bed bugs this summer. The rumor is true. However, we were able to contain it and totally eradicate the few bugs that were found with the help of a professional exterminator. We are thankful and confident the problem was solved quickly and thoroughly.



Fundraising events raise awareness and cash for camp

There were a number of fundraising events that were held this spring and summer. The Ride for a Reason, a cycling trip from Canmore to Lethbridge raised over \$35,000 and had just under 30 riders participate. It was a BLAST! Next year is going to be even bigger and better. All funds raised went towards capital projects here at SABC.

The Annual Golf tournament had to be rescheduled for July because of the cold and wet weather in May. Just under 100 golfers participated and another \$20,000 was raised for the purpose of sending children to camp who could otherwise not afford to come. A HUGE thanks to all of the sponsors and participants that made these events such a success.

Fall staff and volunteer opportunities

We are in need of individuals to come serve in the capacity of assistant cook. This is a paid position. Days and hours will vary as per the nature of our work but a schedule can usually be set up months in advance. Come join a fun team that is eager to minister to our year round guests.

We are also reminding people that volunteers are needed on our construction site for the new lodge. You want to be a part of this incredible time in the history of SABC. Not only do we have jobs for skilled trades people, there are opportunities for others in a variety of capacities.

If interested in anything above, please call the camp at (403) 792-3644. We'd love to talk to you! •

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camper parents: "Hi Melissa. Just wanted to say thank you so very much for having him for that month and for the weeks upcoming. Teleois has been a God thing for both our son and for our family. We have seen such an amazing amount of spiritual growth in our son just in the last week! We are so proud of him and so grateful for Teleois and the people. He is considering re-joining Bible Quizzing again in the fall and has expressed interest in Capenwray for a year after school. Regardless of what he chooses - the timing of the spiritual instruction he received at SABC and the community he has established has really impacted his life for the better. God is so COOL!"

Here is a message found on our Facebook webpage from a parent: "I picked up my son from camp today, and all he can talk about is what a great time he had, he's singing, and sharing verses, and says the best part was watching the sunset at the cross and praying together with his cabin friends. "you could really feel God at work, it was amazing!". He really needed that week at camp ..."

As a camp, these are the ways that we measure success – when it is evident that God is working in lives. Please keep on praying for these kids that have come and heard the Good News about Jesus. As they continue their journey with God, pray that they will find the encouragement and friendships they need to continue to grow in their walk with the Lord. •

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