

CONCONULLY BIBLE CAMP

A Ministry of Okanogan County Holiness Association

What a wonderful summer we have had at Conconully Bible Camp. Many RVers were on the grounds, we hosted some other groups as well as our own Family Camp in July. Pat Kee has shared her Family Camp experience below. We organized a planning meeting in October that was well attended and very productive. See Victor Elmore's article and help us praise the Lord for so many blessings!

Did you know that 2024 is the 100th year for Conconully Bible Camp? That is a great reason to celebrate and we plan to do that. We will be sharing more details as the planning progresses. Can you help us?

Do you have a salvation story, baptism, renewed walk with Christ that you would like to share for the display we are putting together? How about pictures to go with your story? Older pictures? Please send your stories and pictures to: cbcampregistrar@gmail.com

Family Camp 2023

Camp 2023 was very different for me as I took on leading the middle schoolers, something I had not done for many years. After getting about 15 refusals, I realized this is what God had for me to do (I must be hard of hearing). They were an engaging group who asked really good questions. We had great fun getting to know each other as we made ice cream, played games led by Summer Miller, and discussed what it means to be bold for Jesus.

We had an amazing group of leaders for high schoolers led by Doug Nolte, another of the camp planning committee that stepped up. And amazing dining hall hostesses, who all agreed to serve the day camp started, to do what needed to be done. They cleaned, organized, greeted and met needs of campers all week.

Every year the committee meets monthly for prayer and planning. Frequently we pray that camp would go exactly as He desires, that needs would be met, and that He would be glorified. We pray, we make plans and contacts to find open doors-to find where God is working. So ultimately camp does go exactly as he desires so specific needs are met that only He knows. Maybe it is a broken marriage, broken hurting heart, a seeking heart, one looking for belonging. Maybe it is a staff member, a camper, a visitor; only God knows but we as the camp planning committee can know we have done what God desires of us, we have his peace, and give Him the glory due Him.

I'm so thankful for the privilege to serve in this capacity, so thankful for His leading and direction, knowing He is in control, not us. Praise the Lord for ALL the helping hands and hearts that led, assisted, made repairs, kept us organized, brought us into the throne room through worship, communion and His word, who served and gave testimony to His work in their lives. Bless you.

Camp Planning Meeting

On October 21st the Conconully Board of Directors had a planning meeting open to all members and volunteers. The reason for the meeting was to develop a list of improvements and plans for the camp grounds. We reviewed the progress made from the Comprehensive plan developed in 2014 and then listed needed projects for the future and the priority of those projects.

Praise God for the miracles he has done, the projects he has accomplished and the people he has sent to assist in their completion. One thing we learned since the original plan is that the Lord sets our schedules and times for doing the different projects by the availability of people, time and money. In acknowledgment of his leading, this time we did not make a timeline for completion of different projects but left it in his hands, knowing that when the right time comes people, time and money will be there. Proverbs 19:21 *Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.* We plan but God provides.

Past projects completed are: Tabernacle replaced, water system upgraded to Health Department standards, old A-frames torn down and new cabins built, other cabins upgraded, cabins with new siding, over 22 large and dangerous trees removed, RV restrooms remodeled, and 200 feet of pipe bored under the road to replace old galvanized water lines.

We are a largely volunteer dependent organization. We have been blessed with many helpers. The Arlington Missions team has been a huge source of help in camp projects. They built 4 cabins, upgraded other cabins, helped with siding 5 cabins and provided finances. In the removal of the tabernacle we hired a construction company to tear it down after useful materials were removed. Plywood and 2x6s were donated to a group building cabins for people after the forest fires left many homeless. We hired Silver-nail Construction of Oroville, WA to build the new tabernacle. The water system upgrade and core drilling for replacement of pipes was handled by Chester LaFontaine working with engineers and others to meet the many requirements. Hats off to Chester for his hard work!

The new projects identified are: 1. Infrastructure needs for electricity upgrade and water pipe replacement. 2. Dining hall remodel or replacement 3. Office relocation and main bathroom remodel. There are many other smaller projects that have been identified and will be addressed as people, time and money are available. There is an ongoing project of siding the cabins that will continue.

Thank you to everyone that has helped with all these projects and with the planning for the future.

Victor Elmore

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100th YEAR CELEBRATION

Do you have ideas that you would like to share as we prepare for our celebration? Would you like to help with the planning?

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