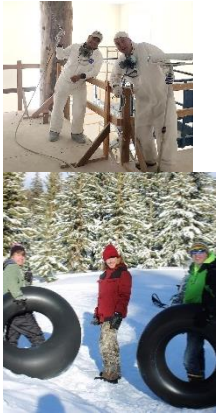




The Heyboers, missionaries serving at Red Cliff Bible Camp
 "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him." II Chronicles 16:9a.



April 16, 2023



Dear Prayer Partners and Supporters,

Thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement and support this year. We praise God for allowing us to have a blessed winter season. We had many campers, speakers, volunteers, and workers come in and out of camp. Our God gave safety to each one, and many shared with us the blessing it was to come. Please continue to pray that God will minister in the hearts and minds of each one that came. We have a team from South Carolina (some of them friends of many years), that arrive yesterday (04/15 – 04/22) to put the partitions in the downstairs bathrooms in the lodge and set counter tops and a few other things. When the snow melts too quickly it can be more dangerous, so would you pray that the snow will stay there for now so that the materials will continue to be transferred safely and that they will be able to get much accomplished, be encouraged and have good fellowship together as they serve? **Please pray that as unsaved come to do their assigned work, the guys will have opportunities to share the gospel, and that even their testimonies will speak volumes to each of these men.**

We praise God:

During **Couples Retreat** the theme was based on Psalm 52:8-9: Trust in God, Praise God (be thankful to God), Wait in Him. What a privilege we have to serve in a place where couples can grow in Christ, closer to each other, visit with each other, and with other couples.

In **Mens' Retreat** God's Word encouraged the men in many ways (Romans 16:25-27a), God led the speaker to encourage the men to be leaders of their home and an example at home, church, work, community, family and friends. It was so good to see Christ grow us in faith right before our eyes. A snow storm came and much of Wyoming got closed, yet almost all the campers made it safely to camp. Praise God!!!

Snow Blowout (teen retreat) It was a wonderful reminder that we can only do what we do with God's help. He gave good Wyoming weather, He brought the counselors to help (some of them last year's summer staff, others students from Faith Baptist Bible College and one camp intern from around 2008). What a joy it is to serve Christ and to see teens listening to God's Word and singing. Lots of them have different needs, yet each is important to God, and like the speaker reminded us, Christ is with us, walking right alongside each one of us. He spoke on how God has a plan even during our hard times. He reminded the teens that away from Christ we are dead branches, we need Christ. John 15:5.

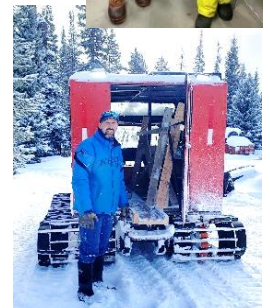
Lastly **Heritage Quest (Father-Son)** was a huge blessing. Fathers told us that they value the guided times to invest in their sons. At this camp they get the tools for communication, yet they encourage the fathers to teach their sons. They made a leather journal, to write on it through the years.

God opened the heavens for the many activities for each retreat and gave safety. To God be the Glory! If we told you that each of those retreats had no troubles, we would not be honest. Yet, God brought helpers to help each time, the water heater was changed, many repairs done, lots of fixes and maintenance. God sent the help needed each time, the right materials, and safety and there is much that God accomplished in hearts and even in the facilities. Praise God the power went out this winter while no retreat was going on, (David was at camp to keep the generator running so the well did not freeze). God supplied trained volunteers to help with the transfer of people in and out of camp during each retreat and even though repairs are always needed to be done, God continually brought the help and encouragement to do it well.

Much has been done lately. Praise God for it all! Lots of shoveling, snow blowing, painting, helping the tile guys, working on the network, guiding the electricians, hood crew, and volunteers. Much has been done, praise God!

Thank you for praying. There is much work ahead, but we are trusting God for His help. Thank you for lifting our staff in prayer. **1 Corinthians 15:57-58** "But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

In Christ service, *The Heyboers*



Our Family Update:



“I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the Lord.” Psalm 104:33-34

We are thankful for the way God allowed us to be again serving together at the winter camps. What a praise to see God work each week. We serve behind the scenes, and we are so thankful for the ones who bless camp by giving monetarily and the ones who give of their time so camp ministry can press on. We could not do our areas by ourselves, yet each season God in His mercy brings the many who help us alongside. Each retreat had its own challenges, but God helped with each of them and brought just the right help. David and trained volunteers transported people. He also drove the snowcat, worked with usual repairs, maintenance, IT, and more. Now that camps are over until summer, he continues to go daily into camp working. Praise God, He has given him the ability to have a mind to work and serve in many buildings, repairs and maintenance (grounds, utilities, vehicles, IT and buildings). When camps were finished, he was able to transition his focus on other things. Lately he has been painting, building, helping with the tile work and working on IT to be ready for summer. David's legs are doing better after his varicose vein procedures. He is also learning that He needs to put his feet up in the evenings and actually rest them. Wixi has been working on homeschooling and focusing on visiting different people from our church who have needed a visit to encourage them with the kids. During camp she served in cleaning, camp laundry, selling at the coffee shop with Anah Grace, dishes, and shoveling. By the end of each of the retreats we were what we call good tired. We encouraged the kids in the privilege to serve our God in the place He has called us, and that He always sends the help needed. During the end of each retreat this year, God brought supper every Saturday night or had someone have us over. It was great to see God's hand of care for us.

It was a blessing to see our kids serving. Anah Grace helped with cleaning, and with a couple desserts and washed dishes. To God be the glory, her seizures are under control and this month is a year since she had one. Praise God! she has had a couple hormonal ocular migraines, yet praise God, with His wisdom we seem to have figured out how to manage those. In her last orthopedic appointment, the doctor was ok with the progression of her legs and her orthotics doctor was glad to hear she is interested in design and building prothesis so she gave her a quick tour of their set up and told her that when she goes back to the neurologist in May, she will give her a better tour. She is also learning the French horn. Leonard was a good help cleaning; he also kept track of his brother and was so glad he finally got to be part of the men's retreat. He is learning the trombone. They both are part of the band class at the public school here. Joseph and Leonard did well at playing together and helping when needed. They were tired by Friday night, but praise God by Saturday morning they will be ready to serve once more. The boys asked their dad to build a heritage quest journal with them. So, we have the materials, now we are praying for the time. We are glad they all enjoy to be part of camp. Thank you for praying for our family. Truly, John 15:5 “I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: **for without me ye can do nothing.**”

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