



Red Cliff Telegraph

Fall

Director's Diary

October 2025

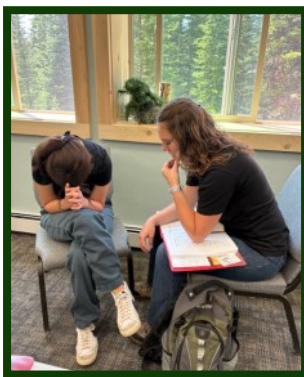


A Fruitful Summer and Fall

In recapping our 2025 “Together for the Gospel” emphasis, we rejoice in what God has done in the lives of campers. Each week as the Gospel message was preached, **campers responded in faith** by placing their trust in the Lord Jesus Christ! To God’s glory, 21 campers were saved!

We rejoice in the spirit and **growth of our summer** staff as we focused on teaching Gospel truths and sharing in daily prayer times. Seeing answers to prayer each week as we took our requests before the Lord strengthened everyone on the Team.

Many **projects on the Lodge** came to completion this summer, and the punch list gets smaller! Scheduled in the next few weeks are the fire stair tread coverings, and completion of electrical. That leaves us with some finish trim, tile installation and grouting, exterior siding (six rows on back of the Lodge building and one side of the tank building), window installation in office doors, and painting. The Lord has supplied in so many great ways throughout this year with workers and supplies!



Thank you for your prayers for us during the Dollar Lake Fire! Thousands prayed, and God answered and protected. See the fire pictures and story in this newsletter!



On August 21 I received a call from our sheriff asking if anyone was at the camp, and if so, that they be evacuated. The Dollar Lake Fire had started, and the wind was sending it toward the camp. The fire lasted for 50 days, and our staff was evacuated for 28 of those days. Eventually, we were allowed to go to Camp with permission as the road was still closed to the public.



At its closest point, the fire was 200 yards away from the Lodge. Firefighters used Red Cliff as a staging area for three groups of firefighters - Firefighters for west fire line, firefighters for east fire line, and firefighters for structural protection.

The Lord provided these **ministry opportunities** for the Camp: Three hundred hydration drinks with thank you notes and gospel tracts attached, and baked goods shared at the Kendall Valley Fire Hall. When we delivered drinks and baked goods, we were able to personally thank the fire crew that had been at Camp and to pray with them. Some were Spanish speakers, so I prayed and Wixi interpreted the prayer so all understood. We were able to take baked goods and talk with several firefighters on location at Camp when we were allowed to be back on the grounds.



Blessings because of God's response to your prayers: One inch of rain reported at Red Cliff during the fire! Financial gifts to cover lost revenue! Financial compensation from National Forest Service for land use (crew staging area for fire)! God's protection of the Red Cliff grounds!



Saturday, October 11, we hosted volunteers from three area churches to restack firewood, rake pine needles and branches, and wash fire retardant off of vehicles.

Please pray for our **outreach** to the local firefighter community with a *Thank You Dinner* to be hosted at Red Cliff yet this fall.



Loftus' Lifelines

"For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost." Matthew 18:11

From work groups to staff to campers to firefighters, God has allowed us over several months to live and share the Gospel. With our staff theme of "Together for the Gospel," we have been aware daily of the magnificent love and grace of God toward us in Christ Jesus! In a recent conversation with a small firefighting crew at camp, we were able to share our passion for what we are privileged to do at Red Cliff Bible

Camp – tell people about Jesus' love for them and His death to save them from sin!

We give God glory for the wonderful summer He gave us while serving Him through camp ministry. Having teachable young adults and teens on our summer team who were able and willing to teach others, to answer a myriad of questions, and to lovingly point them to the Savior, filled our hearts with joy.

Though our fall season did not go as planned, **we give God glory** for His BIG PICTURE in relation to the forest fire. On our last day of vacation the county sheriff called to let us know Camp was evacuated due to the Dollar Lake Fire. From that day until just a week ago, the norm became checking fire status, keeping prayer warriors informed, asking God for mercy (Please, God, NO ASHES again!), and witnessing of God's goodness to everyone as we walked the fire journey. **Praise God for protection,** for daily publicity for Red Cliff Bible Camp, and for grace for each one on our team. We give a huge THANK YOU to all who prayed.

Time stops for no one, so as we hit September, even with the fire still burning, we began a new Apprenticeship Program at Red Cliff. (See page 9.) God sent us six capable and diverse college-age former summer staff to be hands to help and sponges to soak up "all things camp." What a blessing they have been! We have the privilege of training them, mentoring them, and working alongside them through two semesters and into next summer.

On the home front, we enjoy the moments and meals we get to share with our children and grandchildren. With our heavy fall travel schedule, the times have been few and far between, but we hope for precious times yet this fall with some hunts, and some birthday and holiday celebrations. **God is good and kind, and we praise Him** for blessing us with our family.

As you pray for us, please ask God to grant us His wisdom and strength for the ministry He has called us to. He must lead, and we must follow.

With thankfulness, Dean and Lorie Loftus



MacGills' Meanderings



"And even to your old age, I am He, and even to gray hairs will I carry you; I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you... for I am God and there is no other. I am God and there is none like Me..." Isaiah 46:4,9b

How precious is God's reminder to us that while times and health and age change, He never changes in His love and provision for us! Thank you for being a real part of His display of love!

At the end of this summer, our sons were able to bring the **"MacGill Cabin"** down to our home in Pinedale. It has already been a real blessing in many ways. Dick loves being able to go out for times of quiet rest, bring back memories when he served at camp, pray for the ones serving there, and have times in the Word. The cabin has also been a blessing in being used for guest housing! (Even our daughter enjoyed it when she came for a visit.)



Health has been "back and forth" as we continue to look for a clear and accurate diagnosis for Dick's health condition. Knowing **God is in control** of this too is so encouraging to us! Thank you for praying along with us in that regard. Some days are very challenging, while other days are better. We were able to go up to Camp this fall and visit for awhile. We are able to continue in prayer for the needs of the ministry.



Thank you again for praying for our family. Dick and I are very thankful for the many years you have invested in us. I am thankful for the privilege of serving and caring for my husband, helping with my grandkids, serving at church, and helping alongside a friend with Camp bookwork. Thank you all for praying.

God bless you!

Dick and Deirdre MacGill



Group pictures with family and friends at Camp



"O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever." Psalm 107:1

We are so thankful to God for the way He directed each detail this summer. As we prayerfully served together for the sake of the spread of the Gospel, we saw God work each day, each week, and through each season in amazing ways.

We **praise God for the salvations this summer**, for His help and the way He provided so many hands to help our team to accomplish so much. Only God deserves the Glory!

As a family **we are thankful for the summer staff God supplied and the volunteers** He sent. What a blessing they all were, serving with joy and helping us in many tasks that needed to be done. Our nephew came and helped for the 5th year (helping with program this time), Anah Grace served at Wolf Mountain Christian Camp for half of the summer, and our boys just helped as needed around Camp.

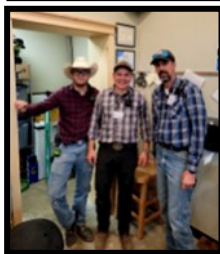
Right now, Wixi and the kids are working on homeschooling. This year our kids are in 5th, 8th, and 11th grades. There is lots going on with what they are learning.

David continues to go to Camp, and this fall God has supplied lots of help as he gets to sometimes take the GPS Camp Apprentices to serve with him, and when they are recruiting or not able to go up, David just serves at Camp as usual, getting ready for winter, doing repairs or any of the other things he needs to do. Please **pray for David's left foot** as his varicose veins flared up again, and he will see a new specialist Oct. 23. The last time this happened, we used lots of Epsom salt, soaking his foot daily when he arrived home. So we are doing it again.

Anah Grace is doing well. Her seizures have been under control since she went back on her med at Christmas time, and she has not even had headaches. She even got her driver's license. We are praying for her knees and hip, since they are the ones bothering her again. In all this we praise God that He continues to heal, giving direction and supply for each of our needs. Lastly, we praise God that David's mom, sister, and niece were able to come stay in our home for the summer. Our boys enjoyed the family time, and going back and forth to Camp as we were there serving. What a blessing it is that even in that, God has supplied a place that we can be when we are not at Camp, and that our family can come and stay when we are up at Camp full-time. Praise God!

Thank you for praying, supporting, and encouraging our family. Even during the fire, we knew we could trust that God would do what was best for our family and ministry, no matter what! We are thankful for your prayers.

Serving Christ together, The Heyboers





Ladies' Summit Trails - Big Sheep Mountain Hike



Summit Trails Unlimited - Porcupine Basin Trip



Oasis Custom Camp for Pastors and Wives



Mother and Daughter Retreat



RED CLIFF'S OUTREACH THIS SUMMER AND FALL

- 378 Teen, Junior, and Adult Campers attended
 - 39 Churches were represented
 - 152 Volunteers served with our Team
- Campers from WY, CO, ID, UT, NV, MT, WI, TX, VA, NY, MO, IN

Over many years, the Lord has sent us work groups from various churches to help with projects at Red Cliff. Sometimes youth pastors bring their youth group to cut, split, and stack firewood, while other times a church may send several skilled adults and teens to build or paint. Whatever the purpose may be, one thing is for sure, the Red Cliff Team serves together with these fellow-laborers so that youth and adults can hear God's Word and be changed for His glory! **Thank you to all who have sacrificed time and resources to invest in this ministry!**

**PRAY FOR THE RED CLIFF TEAM'S NEEDS**

- ◆ Grace and peace to be multiplied to each of us each day
- ◆ Strength and safety for the six upcoming winter camps
- ◆ Continued supply for all three full-time families' needs

"It's a privilege to serve!"

Grow—Prepare—Serve

Launched on September 8, 2025, our new **GPS Apprenticeship Program** provides a way for young adults to Grow, Prepare, and Serve while working at Red Cliff all year long. Our two-semester program includes training in all aspects of camp ministry while also learning practical theology and life skills. The Red Cliff resident staff as well as local pastors and camp speakers get to pour into these apprentices as they teach things that God has taught them.

So far this fall, the GPS crew has worked on program planning and promo materials, prepared music for camp and church ministry, cleaned and cooked at camp and in their rental homes, helped with firewood gathering, traveled to colleges to recruit summer staff, and studied God's Word together a whole bunch! Our crew of six apprentices (1 girl, 5 guys) has been **an answer to our prayers!** Our whole Red Cliff Team and the local churches we attend are privileged to reach into the lives of these young adults who are so eager to learn and serve!



Winter Camps

<u>Camps</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
Father-Son Retreat (details on website)	January 29 - 31, 2026 Fathers and sons ages 12+	Allen Cover
Couples' Retreat I	February 5 - 7, 2026	Bryan & Rebecca Brock
Couples' Retreat II	February 12 - 14, 2026	Curt Lamansky
Men's Retreat	February 19 - 21, 2026	Rand Hummel
Snow Blowout (Teen Camp)	February 26 - 28, 2026	Dan Johnson

Summer Camps

<u>Camps</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
Junior 1	June 22 - 27, 2026	Nik Richards
Family Camp	July 01 - 04, 2026	TBA
Teen 1	July 06 - 11, 2026	Jim Tillitson
Teen 2	July 13 - 18, 2026	Ron Perry
Junior 2	July 20 - 25, 2026	Ben Shumate

REGISTER AT [HTTPS://WWW.REDCLIFFCAMP.ORG/ALL-CAMPS](https://www.redcliffcamp.org/all-camps)

Pray for our 2026 Summer Staff, Volunteers, and Campers!

COME TO RED CLIFF!

Visit our website at [redcliffcamp.org](https://www.redcliffcamp.org) for more information or registering at registration@redcliffcamp.org

If you would like to come to camp to volunteer, contact us at redcliffcamp@gmail.com.

Our Mission

Red Cliff Bible Camp is a missions-based ministry existing to lovingly confront each camper with his or her need of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ in salvation and to encourage each one to a life of obedience and service to Him in the church for His glory.

Opportunities to Help

To God's glory so many have shared so much for the furtherance of the Gospel at Red Cliff! Thank you, and may God open Heaven's windows to you!

Blessings!

- Sale of the shower trailer
- Pancake batter dispenser
- Bookshelf and office chair
- New Camp display table cloths and banners
- Extra Pillows for cabins
- Gloves for hospitality (disposable and reusable)

Needs!

General:

- Additional funds to replace camp vehicles
- 6-8 ton farm wagon running gear for a people-moving wagon
- 10'-12' Aluminum brake

Kitchen:

- Step ladder (3 rung, foldable)
- 2 Coffee Urns (Curtis 1.5 gal)
- 8 silicone hot pads for serving line
- Food service nitrile gloves and vinyl serving gloves (sizes S-XL)
- Potholders (thick, not mitts) 10
- Vegetable scrubbing brushes 4
- 10 rolls each of packaging tape and 1" blue masking tape

Hospitality:

- 1 Shark HV322 Rocket Deluxe Pro Corded Stick Vacuum
- Black out curtains for Cabins 63" long, 80" wide

Program:

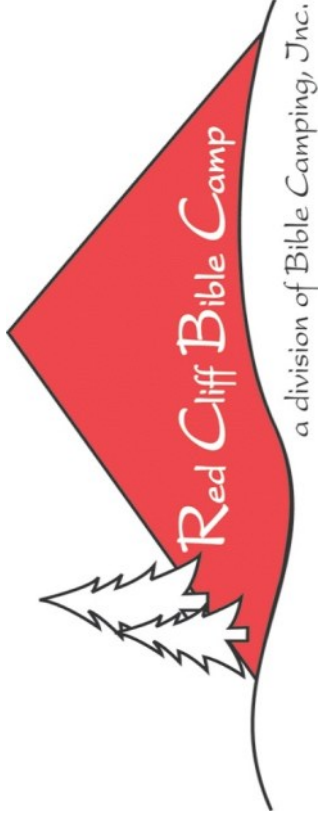
- Archery Tag set - a multiplayer set is \$660.00 to \$1000.00 depending on number of players

Money gifts to purchase the set are welcomed also!



"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



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