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PEMBINA VALLEY BIBLE CAMP

## NOTICE

This is an important notice for anyone who currently receives camp newsletters by **MAIL**.

In an effort to practice good stewardship of our resources, we wish to avoid mailing newsletters that will be thrown out unopened.

With this goal in mind, we are updating our mailing list to include only those who

**RESPOND TO THIS NOTICE BEFORE 2011.** We hope you'll take the time to phone, mail, or email the camp office so we can transfer you to the [new mailing list](#).

Those receiving this newsletter electronically do not need to contact our office.

### GO PAPER-FREE

Please consider signing up to get PVBC newsletters in your email inbox using the form on the envelope this letter was in.



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## From the Director

John 15: Jesus loved to convey the deepest truths with simple, earthy examples. Jesus is the vine. The Father is the vinedresser. You and I are the branches. Why would Jesus talk in such detail about growing grapes when He was only hours from death and His best friends' hopes had just been crushed? Clearly, Jesus knew that the time and place were right to show the disciples a new way of looking at things. Jesus wanted them to see their future from the perspective of heaven. He didn't want them on earth wondering, what is God up to in my life? And why isn't it turning out the way I expected?

What is all this talk about fruit? I believe that the words fruit and good works in the Bible are used nearly interchangeably. Titus 3:14: Let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful. Psalm 1:3: The righteous man shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper. Practically speaking, fruit represents good works – a thought, attitude, or action of ours that God values

because it glorifies Him. You bear inner fruit when you allow God and His Holy Spirit to nurture you. Galatians 5:22: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. You bear outward fruit when you allow God to work through you to bring Him glory. It would certainly include sharing your faith. However; as the apostles did, so must we see every arena of life as an opportunity to bear fruit. Taking care of a neighbor, chopping wood for camp or spending a lifetime as a missionary in the jungle, outward fruit appears when your motive is to bring God glory.

How important and valuable is fruit bearing, then? Jesus says, "I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain". John 15:16. Paul told Christians they were "created in Christ Jesus for good works". Ephesians 2:10. Fruit is your only permanent deposit in Heaven. Real fruit always lasts!

Grace and Peace in His Grip,  
*Derek Neufeld*



## CAMP PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM 2011

July 25-30

AVAILABLE

Aug 15-20:

Steinbach MB Church



## EVENTS Calendar

### Winkler Fundraising Banquet

January 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

Location: Winkler EMMC

### Guy's Extreme Winter Camp

February 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>

Location: PVBC

### Morden Fundraising Banquet

February 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

Location: Westside Church

## JOB POSTING Maintenance Director (FT)

Our Maintenance Director of two years, Duane Fehr, is leaving camp after December 2010.

Duane is continuing his journey with God and has been a blessing to PVBC for his season here. God bless you and thank you for your servant heart, using your skills to be a part of His kingdom building plans at camp.

This translates to a full time, year round service opportunity for a maintenance person. If you are willing to serve your Lord in this type of an adventurous ministry and would like more information, please contact the camp office.

All job description details and application inquiries are to be directed to the attention of the Camp Director, Derek Neufeld.

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## A Note to Churches

"What could happen in the lives of young people if we multiplied the year-round discipleship of a local church with the impact of a camp experience?"

How could a week together at PVBC affect your church's youth group? At camp, we know the incredible impact of Christian camping – just listening for the word "camp" at baptisms and testimony nights will confirm this. But if this generation is to develop its full potential as authentic followers of Christ, the camp experience must be coupled with consistent year-round discipleship. It's in this context that youth learn to process and apply the spiritual truths they've learned.

As a church body, have you ever wished you could gain deeper discipleship and mentoring relationships with

your young people than you are able to during a weekday program or Sunday school hour? We are passionate about organizing and delivering a week of camp for your congregation that enables you to do just that. Put plainly, we desire to be a vital extension of your church, so you can make a greater impact in your congregation and community.

Ephesians 2:21-22 says: "In (Jesus Christ), all the parts of the building fit together and grow into a holy temple in the Lord. Through Him you, also, are being built in the Spirit together with others into a place where God lives."

If you would like to know more about the Camp Partnership Program, please check out the brochure on our website, or call our office at 1 (888) 621-7265.

## Financial Report

Praise our Father for His faithfulness and your generous hearts. We continue to trust for His plan of provision, knowing that His kingdom-building plans at the Valley will not be hindered. God is calling us to recognize at least two things: our utter dependence on Him, and our duty to be responsible stewards of the blessings we have already received. He has been using this time to affirm the plans we already had in place to develop a vision statement and a long-range plan to be obedient in that vision. This will enable us to better anticipate staffing, facility, and other costs in the future. We see the need for this ministry to thrive at

the valley. Godly wisdom and planning is revealing the need for our general operating budget to increase and continue to be transparent in communicating. Be a part of God's provision with a year-end donation to camp.

We will be sharing the camp ministry vision and planning, as well as the new budget proposal for 2011 at our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, March 15th, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. at the Westside Community Church in Morden. You are invited to join us in celebrating God using His camp for His glory!