

# MINUTE-MAN NEWS



(above) Campers and staff in Teen Camp chapel session at Pine Ridge Bible Camp.

## PINE RIDGE BUILDING PROJECT LAUNCHED

Part of our Minute-Man Call sent out a year ago (#160) went towards a building project at Pine Ridge Bible Camp in northwestern Saskatchewan. We'd like to update you on how things are progressing.

From that Call, \$53,795.32 was raised. The project has received other donations as well (besides Minute-Man). To date, \$158,888.22 has been received in total. We praise the Lord for these funds which have enabled the launching of this project. We look forward in faith to its completion, with a total projected cost to be over \$500,000.

This recent site photo (to the right) may look like nothing has happened yet, but it has! We've been busy with preliminary floor plans, building proposals & permissions by Regional Lands Manager, public health review (for kitchen plans), floor plans finalized and sent for drafting, building material estimates, electrical capacity modifications ... and more.

"If funds continue to come in and things continue to fall into place, Lord

willing, we will be breaking ground as soon as the frost comes up in spring of 2020," reports Pine Ridge director, Tabitha Wahlstrom. "Completion of

**Looking at Pine Ridge Bible Camp's new dining hall/chapel site, it may seem like nothing has happened yet ... but it has!**



framing and all the inside work will happen depending on continued funding."

A look at Pine Ridge's present facilities shows how badly this new building is needed. The dining hall and chapel are log structures built in the early 1970s. The chapel is "propped



Preliminary drawings of Pine Ridge Bible Camp's planned dining hall/chapel building.



up" to keep it from meeting the ground, and the dining hall/kitchen is a very tight space, and not meeting public health standards. Neither building is usable in the winter.

The real reason this project is important, of course, is the people who are being reached with the Gospel. Every summer at least 250 campers attend Pine Ridge. "Besides the campers there are numerous teenaged 'Leaders in Training' (LITs). We are thankful to be able to minister to each of these young lives!" says Tabitha.

This new building will enhance follow-up and discipling throughout the year.

"Many of our campers, LITs, and some of our summer staff don't have support of believers back home," notes Tabitha. "We would love to see more events that will help them grow in their walk with God.

"Ultimately our desire is that the new dining hall/chapel will carry on the legacy of proclaiming God's name, and being a place where His love and truth are evident."

Thank you, Minute-Man donors! We appreciate your gifts to Call #160, helping to launch this project for the sake of the Gospel. ●

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Dear Minute-Man Friends ...

Thank you so much for your response to Minute-Man Call #162 sent out in June. The total received was \$61,023.55. Be assured that these gifts to our *Field Ministry* fund, *Member Care* initiative, and *Recruitment* efforts are being used to help bring the Gospel to Canada's First Peoples.



I remember my first summer at Bible camp. No, I wasn't a camper – I was 20 years old and had some time off work, and had been encouraged to serve at camp. It changed my life! I fell in love with the place and the opportunity to minister to others. It was the first time I realized that God could use me.

It was a summer of "firsts" for me ... first time to share my testimony, first time to lead a cabin of campers in Bible study and devotions, and first time to lead a child into a relationship with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Another of my firsts was canoeing. Unfortunately, one day as I was showing the campers how to properly get into a canoe, apparently I placed my weight too close to the edge. The children had a great laugh, and I had one of many humbling experiences that summer.

Waterfront activities have always been an important part of Bible camp life. This Minute-Man Call (#163) will go towards **Upgrading Waterfront Equipment** at our several camps. When we recently asked our camp directors about facility needs, they all mentioned the need for upgrading waterfront equipment and training for waterfront leaders. Extra funding will be used to upgrade other equipment at our Bible camps.

Thank you for your investment in this valuable ministry reaching First Nations youth and their families for Christ!

God Bless,

Walter Selke  
NCEM General Director

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