



“Those who HOPE
in the LORD will
renew their
Strength.”

~ Isaiah 40:31

2020 Spring Newsletter

Happy Spring!!

Our Mt Hope team is wishing you and your families a very happy Spring and hoping that you are staying healthy and safe in the midst of this Covid-19 Pandemic. Our team has been encouraged by all of the creative ways that our churches have continued their ministry and reach!

Mt Hope has had to put a hold on our Spring groups and have missed all of our wonderful campers so much!! Despite this fact our team has been hard at work doing upkeep and remodeling. We have continued to make upgrades to the dorm buildings!! Details shared in the Message from the Director. Our team cannot wait to see our dorms filled with campers who have taken time from their normal lives to come away and be encouraged by God and their fellow believers.

Message from the Director:

Hello Faithful Supporters,

It is hard to believe we are already almost into May. With the summer season quickly approaching, I wanted to give you a quick update. I have a couple of thoughts that I wanted to share with you. First, I am deeply encouraged that we are working on the dorms this year. It has been a long time since the dorms (now called Lodges) have been upgraded. We put new beds and mattresses in last year and I am proud to say that we have made some significant changes to all three aging buildings this year. The bathrooms have been remodeled with new floors, toilets, and bathroom stalls. The hallways have been painted and new floors have been installed. Ric has led the charge with help from his son and crews from Critter Country Construction to accomplish the task. Mike Sullivan has helped with the floors and most of the work will be done this week. This project has been a long time coming and what a blessing to finally see the new and improved Lodges. I just want to shout out a big thank you to Ric and Pastor Jerry (Critter Country Construction) for their hard work and dedication to the mission of Mt

Hope. Another project that is just about finished is the new chapel (now named Grace Chapel). We are so very close to the finish line. What a blessing this project has been. This building will be used to further God's kingdom for many years to come. A big THANK YOU again to our faithful supporters for your donations, prayers and the many hours of volunteer work you have put in on this project. As faithful supporters, you allow us to do projects like these that help us provide a distraction free environment for people to meet Jesus.

We would like to ask for your continued support in those areas. First, with your continued financial support. Without your help financially, project funds would not be available. We have so many supporters that give on a regular basis and we are so thankful for all of you. With your support, we are able to provide affordable camping to thousands of people by keeping our prices down. We also run a very lean business side of camp. As we continue to be frugal with operating expenses, it becomes difficult to fund big projects and continue to provide proper maintenance. With your support, we are able to work on the different needs around our 87-acre property. Thank you for coming along side us to make Mt Hope Bible Camp a light on this hill. We have so many more projects to work on. Staff housing, replacing old cabins, upgrading camp bathrooms, and the list just keeps on keeping on if you know what I mean. We need your support!!

The second way you can support us is through prayer. Our team needs your prayers. Please be praying for Ric as he heads up our maintenance projects. With our aging facility there is a lot on Ric's plate. Please be in prayer both for Ric and Judy and their health. Pray that God continues to bless them in their work here at the camp. Pray for Scott, our cook. This is the toughest job here at camp. It demands a lot of his time and that effects his family. Pray for Scott's family and that Scott is ready for the summer season. Pray for Jorden and her boys.

Jorden has the huge responsibility of juggling three boys and the entire Mt Hope program/summer staff and Mt Hope Camps. Pray for Jorden as she prepares for this summer. Pray for me (Bud) as I lead this team. Pray that God would use me and mold me into the leader he wants me to be. Last but not least, pray for the groups coming this summer. Covid-19 has brought a lot of other challenges our way. We had to cancel all of our groups through May and several groups chose to cancel their camps this summer season. The groups that we host are part of our Mt Hope Family. Help us by praying for them.

The last way you can support us is to volunteer your time. We have a project with your name on it. Come hang out with us and let's get some work done. It doesn't matter whether you're old and tired or young and full of energy we have a project for you. You want to do a family project? Then come on up. What I am really saying is that we want to give you the opportunity to serve here at Mt Hope. I know right now, this is hard with all the social distancing, but when the time comes you are invited. We look forward to working with you.

We will press on toward the goal that God has for us here at Mt Hope Bible Camp. Without your support we would have a hard time doing that. Mt Hope Staff, together with you our supporters, with a little help for our Heavenly Father, will press forward taking on all that God has given us and in the end we will rejoice together in the victories that will come from the work that is done here. Thank you again and God Bless you and your families.

To keep updated on what is happening at Mt Hope, please check out our website: www.mthopebiblecamp.org, and our Facebook page: facebook.com/mthopestrong.

Serving with you,

Bud

Out with the old!!



In with the NEW!!!

