

Ministry in Motion

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Summer 2014

The end of the camping season is always bittersweet for me.

Bitter because I love camp. Sweet because I am exhausted from it.

Camp starts for us way before it actually starts. Themes are picked in December and flyers are being printed early January. From then on camp is on my mind.



This year we had a very unusual dilemma. There was only one student coming from NBBI (New Brunswick Bible Institute). In years past we have had up to eight and as little as five, but never only one. HOWEVER, we serve a God who knows our needs before we even do and He had been working in the hearts of several local young adults who had once been campers themselves. Along with the six Bermudian counselors, we also had others fly in from Canada and the States to fill in the gaps. Once again God provided in a situation which, to me, seemed impossible. These counselors did not just fill the spots we had, but they were also outstanding. They gave tirelessly, some for all three weeks of camp. Each of them had a genuine interest for the teenagers and showed the love of Christ in their individual ways.

Not only did He provide counselors...

For the first time ever we had a full STC (Summer Training Corps) staff. STC consists of eight teenagers, four girls and four guys, ages 15 and older who want to **serve** at camp. They wash dishes, clean bathrooms, and help in just about **every** area of camp. Without them we would not have been able to do half of the things we do. I am very thankful to all of them for the sacrifice they put in to give a week of their summer vacation to VOLUNTEER to work at camp.

Along with the STC came their supervisors, Ed Lightbourne and Rachel (Clark) Symons. Rachel contacted us even before we knew we needed her! She is also a former camper and graciously served with us for all three weeks along side of Uncle Ed (Lightbourne) and the STC team.. They all did a great job!



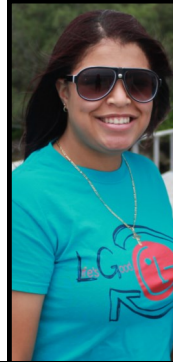
Awesome Camp Staff



God blessed us with lots of amazing people this year! Other than the counselors and STC we need many more people to help camp to run smoothly. Boat Drivers, Kitchen Staff, Program Staff, Bible Teachers, Audio Visual and the list goes on. Camp would not be as easy without these hardworking servants.



I want to give a great big "Thank You!" and "Well Done!" to all who were involved both at camp and those who prayed for us during camp. Your sacrifice and prayers did not go unnoticed!



Vacation Bible School

Summer is not all about camp, though most times it feels that way. We begin the eight week summer program with a week of VBS (Vacation Bible School) training that leads into two intense weeks of VBS. We help four local churches run their programs (two each week) and it is always rewarding!

The first week of VBS we traveled to Somerset to help at White Hill Gospel Chapel in the morning and then to St. Georges to Wellington Baptist in the evenings (For those of you who don't know these are two separate ends of the island). We taught the children songs, performed skits, taught lessons, made crafts and had a lot of fun. The second week we split our team to help with Paget Gospel Chapel and Calvary Gospel chapel as both were in the morning.

Summer is probably the busiest time of the year...

But it is probably the most rewarding as well! We saw about 15 students give their life to the Lord at camp and many others took a stand around the campfire to say they were serious about their walk with Christ. During the two weeks of VBS we were able to see children put their faith in Christ and grow in their relationship with Him. I am glad for the relationships I was able to build and start with the children and teens and hope to see them at one of our Bible Clubs in the next few weeks!

Thank you once again for your prayers and support. No matter what part you may have played it is very important. If you would like to learn how you can help in anyway whether it be by volunteering, giving, or praying please feel free to contact me at annamaripeerry@wol.org or (441)-232-9673. Visit our website www.wolbermuda.org and like our Facebook page [Word of Life Bermuda](https://www.facebook.com/WordofLifeBermuda) for updates on Bible Clubs and events. Also please feel free to share your prayer requests with me. It is important for me to be praying for those who support and love me.

-Annamarie ☺

