

Galilean Bible Camp

FALL 2021

"And let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we will reap if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, especially to those who are of the household of faith." Galatians 6:9-10

The past couple of years have involved a lot of creativity as we plan for ministry. We are thankful that even despite restrictions the Lord has provided opportunities for us to "do good". May we seek His strength through this slower season so that we do not grow weary in doing good. Our hope and our purpose are found in Jesus. We enjoyed spending summer 2021 sharing the good news of Jesus with all of our wilderness campers. God blessed our summer with safety, with deep fellowship, and with joy rooted in Jesus. It was so fun having campers and summer missionaries fill this place again! God blessed each of our wilderness camps and faithfully met all of our needs.

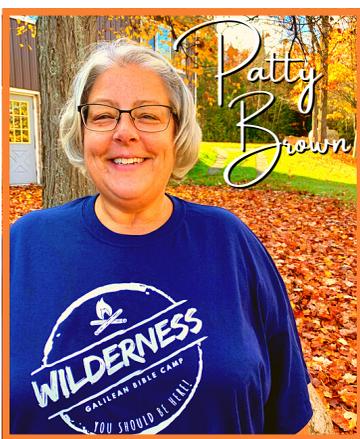
The fall season has arrived and the beauty of the Lord was evident in the colours of the leaves. What a beautiful place to live and to explore! Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions we had to cancel our fall retreats and guest groups. Despite these setbacks God still provides opportunities for our full time missionary team to "do good".

We have been able to spend our fall work days freshening up the camp grounds with several painting jobs. The slower pace has provided opportunity to get around to jobs that we normally wouldn't have time to prioritize. The leaves are falling now and our days are spent leaf blowing to hopefully clean things up before the snow falls. As we seek to make plans for ministry in the winter, God continues to bless our planning process.

This winter we hope to put our tubing hill to good use! We have started promoting the use of the tube hill for school group field trips. Our tube hill provides a good opportunity to get kids out to our property to enjoy an action packed activity. Please pray that our six local schools will be interested in taking advantage of this fun day trip... (and it's hard to ask this but please pray that we get LOTS OF SNOW and cold temperatures so that our snow and ice conditions are sufficient for the tube hill to run!)



WHAT'S NEW WITH THE FULL TIME CREW?



As a "people person", I sure miss the social interactions with our guests. Knowing that God has a perfect plan, for me and for camp, has made it easier to "not grow weary in doing good". My prayer is that soon we will be able to welcome people back to Galilean.

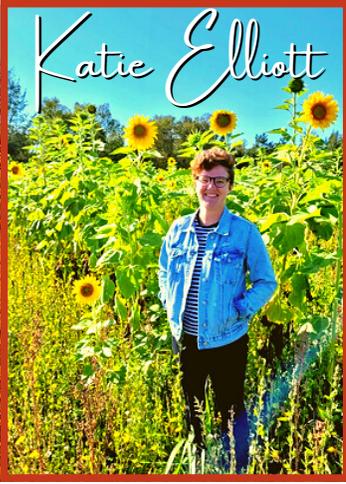
God has been teaching me to rest on His promises. He hears and answers my prayers (Matthew 7:7). He supplies all my needs (Philippians 4:19). He teaches me and gives me rest (Matthew 11:29). "He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; He is my God, and I trust Him." (Psalm 9:2)

This Fall, I have had the opportunity to attend a Ladies' Bible Study in town on Tuesday mornings. We have just finished Daniel and will start Esther next week. I enjoy the fellowship and prayer time. Whenever I am away from camp, I make a point to say hello to people in or out of stores. This often leads to me helping them find an item or making time to have a little chat.

Psalm 33:20-22 "We wait in hope for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. In Him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in His holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in You."

Sometimes we are surprised at God's perfect timing and unexpected answers to prayer. Since Covid, missing family members has been difficult and I have been asking God for the chance to be with them again. Unfortunately, my dad had a stroke in June and is now in need of care. Because of not having main site camps during the summer and only 3 weeks of wilderness, I was able to fly home and help my other siblings downsize the family home and move my parents into a Care Home. Thank you so much Bill and Catrin for helping to make this possible. During that time, some days were stressful, unpredictable, emotional and hard. But during those difficult days, spending time with family was what I needed and I am so thankful God gave me the opportunity to be there. When days were hard, having quiet time with Him, seeking His wisdom and peace was so refreshing and good for my soul. Psalm 54:4 "Surely God is my help; the Lord is the one who sustains me."





Katie Elliott

I'm thankful that the Lord allowed us to run camp this summer and I was so pumped to have people back here! It was refreshing to spend time with a solid community of people in such a life-giving environment especially after having so much time alone.

Now that fall has arrived I'm back to a slower pace of life (which to be honest is not my favourite thing). Even though things are slow I will not grow weary in doing good. God has richly blessed my life with good gifts. I have enjoyed spending time with my niece and nephew, participating in a Ladies' Bible Study at church, helping out with youth group, leading worship, and recently taking a road trip to New Brunswick. God continues to remind me that everything that is truly good comes from Him. As I spend time with the Lord in this quieter season I've experienced growth in my knowledge of Him as He reveals Himself to me through His Word. I love working and living at camp and I'm thankful that the Lord uses me here and provides opportunities for me to "do good"!

It was wonderful to have camp again this past summer. Catrin enjoyed stepping in for Carol Gordon in Food Services. It was so encouraging to see campers and summer missionaries together again and have the opportunity to help facilitate Galilean's ministry. It was a busy time for our family as we juggled work and childcare. We were happy to take some holiday time with friends in August. Abby and Joey were excited to go back to "in person" school in September and are both doing well. Bill has spent many hours preparing outdoor areas at camp for our upcoming winter activities. It has been great to have his dad help with many of these projects.

We had a wonderful visit from Catrin's parents in September. Living far from family has been so challenging for many people over the last 18 months. Please pray with us that a trip to the UK this Christmas will happen. We are waiting for travel documents which are delayed. It's so good to know that we serve a loving God, who cares so much for us.

FINANCIAL NEEDS

God has been faithful to provide for all of our needs here at camp. Thank you so much for being obedient to His leading and for your generosity in the donations we have received. We are beyond thankful for your support through this crazy year. Last year we were raising funds simply so we could keep camp running in the midst of these unprecedented times. Not only did God provide finances so that camp could stay open but we also received enough support to move forward with some needed projects around camp. Currently we are in the process of switching to propane heating. As you read this letter, the new boilers are being installed in our lodge building. At this point, we are half way through this heating project. We ask that you would prayerfully consider supporting us in reaching this goal. In order for the full time missionaries' houses and the summer chapel to make the switch to propane heating, we need to raise an additional \$25,000. Every project we complete equips us to serve our guests and campers better as we share the Good News of Jesus.

God is always faithful. May this be a season where you take time to "recount all His wonderful deeds" in your life. May this be a time when you seek to "not grow weary in doing good". We miss having people here at camp for retreats and guest groups. We look forward to the restoration God is bringing and we choose to make the best of this slower pace. Thank you for your continued prayers, for your service here at camp, and for your financial gifts. You are all essential members of our team and we are so thankful that your love for Jesus motivates you to bless the ministry at Galilean Bible Camp.

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