



The Campground Witness

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Acts 1:8 (NKJV) "And you shall be witnesses to me...to the end of the earth"

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From The President:

Hello friends, I am writing this message while on an airplane somewhere between Charlotte, NC and Ontario, CA. I am returning home from the Eastern Regional CFC Rally held in Advance, NC. Wow, what a great whirlwind weekend. I flew out and arrived Friday evening. I was warmly greeted by Eastern Regional Representative and President of the Sonshine Chapter Greg "Bubba" Wages and his wife Holly. These are two wonderful people with a heart on fire for Jesus. I met so many wonderful people at this rally and was truly blessed to be there. On Saturday morning I had the privilege and honor to ordain two Chaplains, Tom Thomas and Blaine Gossett. After giving a brief explanation of the duties of a Chaplain we laid hands on them both and prayed over them in this new calling. I then preached a message about 8 Pillars of Hope. Later many of us took a field trip to the Billy Graham Library in Charlotte. Wow, what an experience. I was deeply moved by many of the exhibits as this was truly a bucket list, once in a lifetime experience for me personally. Later that night we were treated to a Gospel concert by John and Nancy Kinder and their group The Kinders. It was truly beautiful and inspiring music. This was followed up by traditional campfire and marshmallows. Throughout the day I got in a good meeting with Greg "Bubba" Wages and new Chaplain Tom Thomas, enjoyed a great lunch with new Chaplain Blaine Gossett and his girlfriend Maria. Sunday morning I began my journey home. I would like to share a couple of thoughts from this weekend. First the word that kept coming to me over and over was obedience. As we toured the library I couldn't help but to be in awe at all that Billy Graham accomplished, and I am sure he himself would have told you he was nothing special. So why did God allow this North Carolina dairy farm boy to accomplish so much? Obedience! Because of his obedience to the Lord, Billy Graham went on to become America's Pastor, however he shared the message of the Gospel throughout the world.

I thought about this a lot this weekend as people asked me why I flew from Southern California to Charlotte, NC and back in just under 60 hours. My response was, "Obedience". Just trying to do what the Lord has told me personally to do. This caused me to think of a couple of scriptures. John 15:14 says "You are my friends if you do what I command". And John 14:15 says "If you love me keep my commands."

Moving forward we are in exciting times for Campers for Christ. There is unbelievable growth happening not just in the East but throughout the country we are seeing new members every week. I have said it before it's not about the numbers, however more people gives us more opportunity to share the Gospel. We are each called to share the Gospel. The Great Commission from Jesus in Matthew 28 says we are to go forth and make disciples of all the earth, baptize and teach them to obey everything Jesus has commanded you. This call is to each of us as believers. I encourage you to use Campers for Christ as the tool that it is to help you share the Gospel. I would like to share the story of one Campers for Christ member and how he shares the Gospel. Long before Tom Thomas expressed an interest in becoming a Chaplain he was already sharing the Gospel in Campgrounds. He posts a Banner on his rig saying, "Campers for Christ, Visitors Welcome" (these are available in the store on our website). Tom then takes a picnic table and lays out an impressive display of Gospel Tracts and Bibles with a sign stating they are free. He also posts a sign saying, "Prayer Available". What a great example of sharing the Gospel with others. If that's too much for you, take the opportunity to give a bible to someone. You can obtain inexpensive & sometimes free bibles and tracts to give away (see resources on our website). Pray each morning for God to lead you to someone needing a bible. Then be obedient when He tells you who to give it to. Finally, if the campground you are in has a church or bible study invite your fellow campers to attend, and if they don't have a bible study and/or service offer to provide one. In addition to fellowship & teaching, Evangelism is the mission of Campers for Christ. Finally, please keep CFC in prayer. During September, October and November there are several CFC rallies taking place, see these events in this newsletter and on the website www.campers4christ.org.

Come share Jesus with the world, one campground at a time.

Be Blessed Camping in the Shadow of the Cross.

Pastor Robb Judkins President Campers for Christ International Ministries

From the Chaplin's Heart

There has never been a time like this. We are drowning in politics; we are constantly bombarded with information. I watch as little TV News as I can get away with. Still it seems you cannot get away from it. It is hard to ignore as it is always in your face. My wife and I live 1/4 mile from the Yuma sector Border Patrol and we see the great numbers of immigrants, big buses passing our back wall. I have seen the faces of moms, dads and children. Mostly the poorest of the poor. It breaks my heart.

The problem is greater than we know, the countries these people are fleeing from are terrible. In times like these we must cling to our faith. Hebrews 11 chapter has so much about faith. It is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. Without faith it is impossible to please Him. I know for sure that many of you have heavy personal problems that weigh you down. Matthew 11:28-30 Jesus says, come unto me all you who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. It makes you want to shout and praise Him, You see from where we are now, it is hard to grasp at faith and you ask yourself how do we do it. The Lord says it is easy. Now ask yourself, where did your faith begin? It began at salvation. Now we know we are saved by grace through faith and that not of yourselves. Oh my " not of yourselves, grace and faith not of yourselves? Yes, now do you remember how grace came to you the day you were saved. It was marvelous. Now think in your mind do you believe in Jesus and his death and resurrection. The answer comes absolutely I do, well there you go, it is grace. Do you not know his grace surrounds us. His eye is always on us. 1st Peter 5:7 tells us to cast all our cares on Him for He cares for you. The word cares could also mean anxiety. Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world.

In His Grace, Chaplain Ken

Rally Reports

None reported

Special Prayer Requests

- **Campers For Christ Ministries and its members**
- **For the peace of Jerusalem and its leaders for salvation & wisdom, (Psm 122:6)**
- **United States of America and its leaders (1 TIM 2:2) for salvation & wisdom**
“Nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer
except that which lies outside the will of God”

IN MEMORY OF...

None reported

Campers for Christ Ministries extends condolences to the families of the following CFC members who have departed earth and entered their Heavenly Home, to spend Eternity with Jesus. Our hearts and prayers are with the families as they adjust to the loss of their loved one. May the love and peace of God comfort and strengthen you at this time.

Note to Regional Vice Presidents and Chapter Presidents:

Please notify International Editor with notifications of any deaths of members from your areas. This information is falling between the cracks so we need to close the holes. Thanks for your assistance in this important activity.

****NEWS & NOTICES FOR ALL****

- If anyone sends an email to prayer@campers4christ.org YOU will get a copy. If you don't want them, let me know. There is a mailing list program on the website that you can use to send emails to everyone we have an email address for at once. It is not too difficult to use. If you would like to take advantage of that, let me know, I can give you a login and train you online in about 15 minutes.

As CFC moves ahead more and more into the digital age, developing and using online resources will become more important. We are 5 to 10 years behind the times. Please pray we can figure out how to connect to a new generation of CFC members who will come to us online if and when we open that gate as well as those we already have and those we will bring in from just going around. I think CFC is at a crossroads where we will either find ways to grow or CFC will slowly die of old age! Richard & June Bartz

- Hello friends, we currently have a member owned business that would like to put up a poster to promote Campers for Christ in their business. We are looking for some help designing this poster. Do you have experience in this area or some ideas. If so please contact me so we can discuss some criteria. Also if you have a business that you would like a poster for please let me know. Be blessed Camping in the Shadow of the Cross. Robb Judkins, President Campers for Christ Ministries, 951-520-5100, Robbjud@juno.com
- I occasionally get the paper Campground Witness Newsletters returned to me as undeliverable due to an address change that we don't have. Please let your chapter members know if there has been a change in address that they notify both the webmaster and the editor of the newsletter. Thanks, Leesa Verdot, Editor CGW

2019 SCHEDULE OF RALLIES- Listed by date

Membership in Campers for Christ not necessary to participate in any of these rallies

CFC Emmanuel Chapter Fall Rally

October 17-21, 2019

Wilderness Lakes 1000 Trails Resort

Menifee, California

For camping reservation, please reserve your space through the 1000 Trails or R.P.I. reservation systems.

Please check in with Wagon Robb Judkins or Don Johnson when you arrive (be sure you have your 1000 trails reservation), if you arrived previous to today please be sure to let us know you are here. Please bring your chair and bible to meeting area. Also any meals please bring your table setting (plates, silverware, etc.) See insert.

If not a member, please contact us for reservation information and once your reservation is made please contact Robb and Jody Judkins at 951-737-7030 and let them know you will be attending.

CFC Exodus Chapter Fall Rally

November 6-10, 2019

Pilot Knob RV Resort

3707 West Highway 80

Winterhaven, California 92283

1-800-378-3709

Everyone is welcome please contact Ken Pixley at kenpixley@aol.com or call 928-246-8889 for reservations

Please send **DIRECTLY** to the Membership Chairman any changes in your postal Mailing Address / E-mail Address / Telephone (indicate whether cell). **THANK YOU!** Send to:

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Note to Secretaries of chapters:

- Send rally reports, announcements, death notices and prayer requests no later than the 15th of the month before publication is due, i.e. Nov 15th for the December newsletter. Send it directly to the editor at cqweditor@hotmail.com **not** the website manager
- Send rally reports ASAP via email (preferably) or postal mail to the editor. Please check your punctuation and grammar before submitting. Corrections will be made before publication.
- To be able to keep the reports at a reasonable length mention attendees, topics of different speakers and a detailed teaching by one of the speakers. (We would like to see more teaching being sent so everyone can benefit from them)
- If a rally is cancelled or has changes of any kind, notify the editor and the website manager.
- Send to the editor and the web master all rally schedules as soon as you get them so they can be published in the next newsletter.

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WE BELIEVE:

1. The Bible to be the inspired Word of God, authoritative and infallible in all aspects for living a holy and righteous life, the purpose of our creation.
2. There is one God eternal, manifested in the persons of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.3. In the virgin birth of Jesus Christ, in His atoning sacrifice through His blood, ascension and return for His Bride, the Church.
4. That regeneration and conversion through faith in Jesus Christ is essential for salvation of a lost humanity.
5. In the bodily resurrection at the last day.

OUR AIMS:

1. To provide a means for Christian campers to get together for fellowship at local and national levels.
2. To provide a way for recognition of Christians on the road or while camping.
3. To encourage a witness to others, while camping, regarding the claims of Jesus Christ, the club crest being an effective opener when asked to explain its purpose.
4. To provide a Chaplain service to campers if requested, especially to those who have no church affiliation.