



# 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 CFC Family,

Wow am I glad 2020 is over, I believe many of you are as well. It seems in some ways that life is settling down and finally here in California we are starting to see things loosen up again. So much in fact that we are hosting a mini rally in Menifee, California April 16, 17 and 18, 2021 at Wilderness Lakes in Menifee. This is awesome because in 2020 we had no get togethers. 2021 also triggers many activities throughout the country. After our highly successful fall rally in Mena, Arkansas much excitement was generated and is moving forward.

In November, the Exodus Chapter met and elected a new slate of officers with most of them being very new members. They had a great rally in Quartzsite with many new attendees. As great as it is to have our two most active chapters going strong its even greater to see what is happening across the nation.

This year we will return to having an annual International Rally each year instead of every couple of years, as has been the case for the last decade or so. This will take place one year on West Coast, another year on East Coast and third year in Central United States. This will give the most people a chance to attend an International Rally. Additionally, we will be having Regional Rallies each year scattered throughout the country, again trying to include more people. Look for more information coming very soon. This year the International Rally will take place in Winterhaven, CA. (approx. 20 minutes west of Yuma, Az.) November 3-7, 2021. In addition, there will be an Eastern Regional rally somewhere around N.C in late August. And finally, there will be a Central regional rally at Iron Mountain in Mena, Arkansas sometime in September. In addition, as some of these other chapters come back on line look for local rallies as well.

I believe many people are over Covid-19 and wanting normalcy to return to life. No reason why we cannot have responsible and safe gatherings as a group. One of the good things to come out of COVID-19 is the increased number of people choosing RV's to travel rather than staying in hotels. This gives us an increased opportunity to share the word of God to a population that is eager to hear about it. We have had an increase in people interested in starting or reactivating chapters.

I pray you have an opportunity to attend one or many of the many rallies planned this year. Reach out to your camping friends and neighbors to share the love of Christ with them. 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

Today, we are going to discuss praising the Lord. In Psalm 34 a Psalm of praise and a Psalm of thanksgiving. As David writes, he has recently been saved from a situation where death seemed likely (See 1st Samuel 21). Once again, David was saved, and he is full of praise for God. Let us look at Psalm 34:1(NKJ) I will bless the LORD (translated Adonai in Hebrew or YHWH) at all times; His praise shall be continually in my mouth. 2 My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear it and be glad. 3 Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together. It is amazing to hear David praise the LORD in this awesome manner. Let us take a look at the word praise and its meaning. Biblical praise means to express happiness or relief that something did or did not happen. In the case of David, he is praising God for something that did not happen, his death. In Psalm 34:4 it reads I sought the LORD, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. We need to take action and start praising the LORD every day that we get up in the morning and have a beautiful day full of sunshine or a not so beautiful day full of clouds. Either way we must praise the LORD continually by our mouth.

Now let's take a look at Psalm 34:7 where we can activate our Angel of the LORD to come and protect us and deliver us. The verse reads, the angel of the LORD encamps all around them who fear Him and delivers them. The word fear is to reverence Him, and He will put an encampment of angels around you to protect you (also see Psalm 91). Now let's take a look at what David says in verse 8. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who trust in Him! You need to have trust in the LORD, and you will be a blessed man or woman and you will "know in your knower" that the LORD is good.

I would like to encourage you to continue reading Psalm 34 and mediate on it every day for a week and see how the LORD will bless you as you trust in Him.

Be blessed camping in the shadow of the cross.

Rev. Dr. Jody White-Judkins Senior Chaplain Campers for Christ International Ministries

### Rally Reports

#### **Exodus Rally Report / Minutes 4-7 Feb 2021**

**Wagon Masters:** Bruce McCartney & Ray Springer

**Attendance (24):** Richard & June Bartz, Ed & Lisa Chase, Ted & Jayna Marrinan, Nancy Vickroy, Vikki Early, Richard & Kelly Banks, Larry & Marta Lute, Luisa Cowan, Charles & Leah & Zoey Sivley, Tim & Pam Krebs, Ray Springer, Bruce McCartney, Mike Anderson & 3 nameless

**Thursday:** Welcome Wagon Masters were Bruce and Ray. The CFC banner was displayed and meetings were announced. Campers were circled, and dinner was shared at 5 pm. Worship was led by Leah Sivley. Followed by Testimonies and fellowship.

**Friday:** Bartz Family prepared and served breakfast, everyone was invited. Following breakfast were prayer and a time of scripture reading. The Bartz Family also provided the 5 pm meal where campers rejoined. Each family was encouraged to bring a side dish to accompany the hot dog roast. Evening worship was led by Leah Sivley and Tim Krebs. The message was brought by Charles Sivley. Prayer and Ministry were offered afterward by Charles Sivley and Richard Bartz.

**Saturday:** Breakfast and fellowship occurred around the campfire. 11 am new officers for the Exodus Chapter were elected and were, as followed: President: Bruce McCartney, Vice: Richard Banks, Sec. Kelly Banks,

Tres. June Bartz, Chaplain: Charles Sivley, Worship Director: Leah Sivley & Tim Krebs. A shared meal followed at 4 pm with a teaching following. The message was given by Richard Bartz and Bruce McCartney.

**Sunday:** Charles Sivley brought a final message on loving your brother as yourself. Campers exchanged information with one another and fellowshiped before departure.

**Upcoming Rally: (TBD)**

### **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...**

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.

Ron Tripp

August 10, 1934 ~December 10, 2020

Ronald Tripp entered the gates of heaven December 10, 2020. He had died of Covid-19 at Baywood Banner Hospital in Mesa, AZ.

Ron was born to Melvin Tripp and Dorothy Chase Tripp of Washington State on August 10, 1934.

Ron is survived by his wife, Verla Tripp in Mesa, where the couple have resided for ten years.

He is survived by four sons: Larry Tripp, Robert (Bob) Tripp, Patrick Tripp, and Eugene (Gene) Tripp.

He and Verla were active members of Baseline Christian Fellowship & Campers For Christ. Ron had many friends and loved to socialize with others. Playing games and enjoying good food were his favorites.

## **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](mailto: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](mailto: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

## **2021 SCHEDULE OF RALLIES- Listed by date**

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

**Genesis Chapter** Campers For Christ RALLY coming up April 8-11 at the Salmon Lake RV Park in Grapeland, Texas! Grapeland is more or less 125 miles east of Huston, 135 miles east of Dallas, and 250 miles north of San Antonio.

### **EVERYONE is INVITED - ESPECIALLY YOU!**

Full hook-up sites are \$25 a night for 30 amp, \$30 for 50 amp  
A non-refundable deposit of \$25 is asked when reserving a site.  
The deposit can be used later for up to a year or transferred to others

**Salmon Lake RV Park** (was Music Park)  
357 Salmon Lake Road, Grapeland TX 75844  
Call the RV Park at **936-687-2594** for reservations.  
Their Website: <https://salmonlakepark.com>

**Be sure to tell them it is for the Campers For Christ Rally!**

For MORE info, call Richard Bartz - 928 502 2375  
or Dennis Key - 281 543 6200

**PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING!**

**MORE EVENTS COMING SOON!**

**Emmanuel Chapter Rally - April 16-18**

Wilderness Lakes 1000 Trails Resort, Menifee, California

Everyone invited to join with us. Membership in Campers for Christ is not necessary to participate. A little different from our normal rally. We will have no food events or raffle. All events outdoors respectfully observing social distancing and mask use as required. Weekend events to include but not limited to Bible study, Worship, fellowship time, campfire, time to interact with fellow campers, make new friends and build relationships with those you already know. Don't forget to bring your chairs. Enjoy all these activities and more, in an atmosphere that honors our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Contact us for complete schedule of events. Day use is available.

For camping reservation, please reserve your space through the 1000 Trails or R.P.I. reservation systems. If not a member, please contact public reservations @ 877-570-2267 and once your reservation is made please contact Robb Judkins at 951-520-5100 or email [robbjudkins@gmail.com](mailto:robbjudkins@gmail.com) and let us know you will be attending. Any questions also contact Robb. Hope to see you all there.

ALABAMA - April ???, details coming soon.

FLORIDA - April ???, details coming soon.

CAROLINAS - April ???, details coming soon.

Ohio, Indiana - April or May ???, details coming soon.

2021 Eastern Region Rally, 4 Days, Late in August, 2021  
Venue To Be Announced

2021 Central Region Rally, Early September, 2021  
Iron Mountain Campground, Mena Arkansas

2021 CFC International Rally, November, 2021  
Western Area, Probably Arizona

Call Richard Bartz - 928 502 2375 for info, to help, or comment!

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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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month before publication is due, i.e. May 15<sup>th</sup> for the June newsletter. Send it directly to the editor at [cgweditor@hotmail.com](mailto:cgweditor@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.

### **WELCOME NEW CFC MEMBERS**

These are all the new members joining since January 1, 2021:

**Amy & Amy Goodman,** Box 118, Oacoma South Dakota

**Terry & Geraldine Butterworth,** 1305 Broadway, Hanover

**Karen Hookway,** 200 Alaska st, cheektawaga New York

**Ashley & Savio Dias**, 1215 Cottdale Road, Montgomery Alabama  
**Conrad Bacon**, 200 Stoneybrook Drive , York South Carolina  
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**Sharon Lawson**, 91-1133 Kaimalie St, Ewa Beach Hawaii  
**Larry & Marta Lute**, 3375 N. Arthur Dr, Albion Indiana  
**Bill & Debbie Moose**, 204 NW 3545 P Lane, Clinton Missouri  
**Jeff & Julie Mather**, 2084 Ronda Granada, Unit A, Laguna Woods California  
**Gail A & Widow Wall**, 1864 Urbana Ave., Delton Florida  
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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.

