



MONARCH BIBLE CAMP

Bringing camp to your neighbourhood...



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Hello and Happy Spring,

It's finally here. **SPRING!!** Thank God the seasons change. I'd hate to be stuck in that kind of winter all year long!! ***Ecclesiastes 3:1 states "There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven."*** Just as there are seasons throughout the year, there are seasons within a ministry. This is a season of change for Monarch.

WHAT'S NEW

We are in **two new locations** this year. We've had to move the Minden location just for 2015 due to the arrival of the Pan Am Games to the Wildwater Preserve. Russ + Dottie of Miner's Bay Lodge have graciously agreed to allow Monarch to run camp on their property. The second new location is at **Shiloh Christian Centre** just outside Fenelon Falls. We decided to do one week in Coboconk and to move the operations a little south. We are excited to bring camp to the Fenelon neighbourhood. We are introducing **Stand-up Paddle Boards (SUP's)**, to

camp this year. They are easy to use and fun too. We are expanding our partnership with Youth Unlimited by combining our resources to offer a water sports component to camp in Haliburton and partnering in Minden. We have a **new Field Director** for Ontario. Stephen Johnson and his wife, Bev live in Innisfil and have four children. Jim and Sandy will be shifting gears and moving into ministry with First Nations youth on Manitoulin Island. Another change is in the structure of One Hope Canada. Much of our operations have been centralized and are cared for by the Ministry Resource Centre in Winnipeg.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Banquet - April 25th
"Striving Together"

Sponsor a Table \$150 for a table of 8
Punch at 5:30 Dinner at 6:00

Program to follow Please come prepared to invest in our Summer Missionaries. **RSVP required**

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SUMMER SCHEDULE

June 29-July 3 – VBS Bobcaygeon
July 6-10 – West Guilford Day Camp
July 13-17 – Minden Day Camp
July 20-24 – Coboconk Day Camp
July 26-Aug. 1 – Resident Camp YLCC
Aug. 3-7 – Fenelon Falls Day Camp
Aug. 10-14 – Haliburton Day Camp
Aug. 17-21 – Eagle Lake Day Camp

BUCKETS OF BLESSINGS

Aug. 21 – 7 pm Minden Bible Church
This event was a great success last year. A time to celebrate what God has done throughout the summer.



SUMMER MISSIONARIES

We have several returning staff and the hunt is on for new staff. Please pray that God will provide the staff

we need and the staff that need to be blessed by camp.

STAFF IMPACT STORIES

I was very excited to come back for a second year of camp, not only to see my friends, but because I felt the presence of the Lord with me and that gave me a lot of reassurance that was meant to lead kids to Christ and teach them from past experience. I always sensed this positive feeling that God was working His way into my heart. Camp gave me the certainty that living for Him was what I need to do. Being surrounded by Christians all summer helped me get to God a lot easier. It became natural to read my Bible and just have alone time with God. It showed me that there are people out there with goals similar to mine and who are living the way I do. It also opened my eyes up to the fact that even children are going through tough trials and having to make tough decisions. As I heard campers talking about being bullied because of their faith in Jesus, it hurt to realize that the world has become so corrupt that even children are being tested for standing firm in their faith. Before camp, I didn't have that need for God consistently but lately I have that need for God's word. I see that every chapter in the Bible touches me in a specific area of my life. I am now able to relate things from the Bible and it feels great! Monarch Bible Camp has been a life changing experience for me and a great opportunity.

Tajah Lee



Tajah and Victoria

As a camper, I had always wanted to be a staff. I looked up to all of the staff and tried to be the best camper that I could be. I was eagerly waiting

for the summer of grade 8 so that I could call Teresa and ask for a job. I'm so happy this is what God called me to do this summer. Camp as camper always impacted my life and my walk with Jesus (more during the summer than ever) but getting to be a staff has actually impacted me so much! I've been reading my Bible more and understanding it more and having all the other staff show me their faith has been so encouraging. Being a staff has shown me that the staff do so much for the campers and try to make the campers' experience as fun as possible. Now that I am a staff, I want to help kids have fun and learn about God so that they realize how important He is. Being a staff has also allowed me to ask all my questions to Melody and Teresa. I am amazed by Teresa's hard work and her dedication has inspired me so much! Being a Monarch staff will always be important to me. Being surrounded by people who are Christians and around my age really helps me to be the person and staff that I want to be. I want to work next year and for as many years as possible. I want to thank Teresa and Melody for always being there for me and for showing me how to live my Christian lifestyle. I am also so thankful for the staff who have set a good example for me to follow. **Victoria Cina**

Throughout this summer I have seen God work in many ways. Whether it was in the relationships the campers built, the staff built, or the relationships the staff built with campers. These relationships happened so fast and flourished like nothing I have ever seen before. This whole summer I could feel God's presence with me, walking beside me as support. He allowed me and used me, as well as challenged me a great deal. Every waking moment He had something up His sleeve. Whether it was directing me or pushing me towards preparing devotions from James, having campers ask challenging questions, having to deal with difficult situations

or just developing and connecting with the kids. This summer has impacted my life: whether from what I've learned or the strong relationships I've built. But not only has this summer impacted my life but it has also impacted the other people who have worked, the children we were with, their families, and hopefully their communities. **Makayla Kugler**

During this past summer working at Monarch Bible Camp as I saw the staff helping children grow in their faith, I found my faith was growing too. The change I saw in children's lives showed me what God can really do and that inspired me a lot. Being at resident camp this year, I found that as the lessons were being taught in chapel, I was learning just as much as the kids were. It was a week where I felt an overwhelming amount of God's encouragement and love. Seeing the kids' lives change that week in such a great way made me feel that we as staff were really having an impact on these campers for the rest of their lives. I enjoyed the staff I was working alongside and liked how it felt as if we were all a family. The discussions we had before and after camp about our lives and our walks with God, showed me that some of the staff were going through the same difficulties as I was. I also enjoyed the many relationships I made with the campers and loved how excited they were to worship and learn about God. The energy they brought to camp created more energy for myself and without the awesome campers, camp would not feel the same. Because of Monarch Bible Camp, I have grown a lot in my faith and have never been more excited to learn about God. At first I was not sure if working at camp was what I wanted to do but I now am so grateful God brought me to minister to these kids this summer and hope that it is God's plan for me to return again next year. **Harrison Wessell**

Thank You!

Teresa Ward