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Helping you to feel the Pulse of Servant's Heart

To God be the glory, great things He is doing!

For many years we have prayed and dreamed about having a lodge on our property. In fact, right after we bought the property in 2012, we brought a builder to the property to make suggestions for a lodge. At that point we did not understand the huge number of challenges that stood between us and building a lodge. We soon learned of the "exceptional value wetlands" that we had on the property and how they would limit us from installing utilities. After that we discovered a "breach analysis" would have to be performed on our lake to determine the downstream impact if our dam should fail. Shortly thereafter, we found out that the little town of Ramey was antagonistic toward our goal of developing a camp. We realized that we would need to spend some years building trust. We did not know that during some of those years we would use shower tents, porta potties, and generators. Little by little we watched the Lord resolve obstacles to bring us to the point of beginning construction. Finally, on April 1st of this year, we officially started digging for the lodge. Although we have utilized many paid contractors, we are so thankful for the volunteer groups who have helped with the building. As of the beginning of September, the floors are poured and a heavy-duty synthetic tar paper is on the roof. We have a few goals remaining for this year. We would like to finish the roof, install the windows, and do some inside preparation. For this immediate goal, we need about \$200,000. If possible, we would love to raise that money by the end of December. Would you pray with us about this need?



The lodge will house the chapel, the dining room, the kitchen, a walk-in freezer and refrigerator, food storage, a laundry room, the offices, a conference room, game rooms, the café, and the Bear Den. The front A-frame part of the building will be a sitting room, complete with large windows and a fireplace. Although we are excited to have a quiet and climate-controlled meeting room, there is one little downside to moving our chapel location. Just this week, we talked to a family that frequents the Rails to Trails behind our shed (the current chapel). Whenever they walk past the chapel, their son likes to stop and listen to the singing. Sadly, that shed will become storage after the lodge is completed.

In spite of that fact, the lodge is still a thrilling venture. I cannot wait to sit in front of the fireplace with a cup of tea and watch the snow gently fall on the lake. Although we have a lot more work to do before the project is completed, my mind is drawn to I Chronicles 29:13:

**"Now therefore, our God,
we thank thee, and praise
thy glorious name."**



The View from Inside



A Look at the Outside

Lodge Primer

A primer is something that, in a small way, gets you ready for what comes next. This little primer is a simple short story of what God can do already in the lodge. Each week during the summer, I try to take one young man to the Bear Den. I typically buy a milkshake for him, and then we chat about camp. One week this summer, I asked a young man about what God was doing in his heart. He indicated that God had not really done anything in his heart. At that point I asked if he was saved. He revealed that he was not saved and that he really did not have much interest in receiving Christ. We chatted for a while longer, and then he told me that he thought he would like to receive Christ. About that time a brisk breeze kicked up, and he got very cold. We walked together as I looked for a warm spot sheltered from the wind. Then I saw the lodge, and I decided we would head in on the lower level. I took my Bible and explained God's simple plan of salvation. That day, in a very uncompleted lodge, this young man received Christ as his personal Saviour. Wow! What a primer of what God can do in the lodge in the future!



2025 Summer Camp



The brochures are printed and the information and registration forms are on our website. It seems that every year some campers do not get their requested week because they delay in submitting their registrations. Why don't you check your church calendar and get registered today!

Live Camera

Don't forget that we have a live camera on the lodge construction site. You can visit our website and click on the "Lodge" tab to watch what is happening each day.



Program Shed

For the past several years, we have been working on our new playing field. This year we finally started using it, but we encountered a problem: all of our equipment for the games was down in our main shed. We needed a place closer to the new playing field to store our supplies. Although this program shed is not 100% completed yet, it has already been a tremendous blessing.