

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever." Psalm 136:1

Thank you for praying for our family this last month. Last Sunday was a blessing to see the boys choosing to publicly show that they have accepted Christ as their personal Savior by choosing to be baptized. May all glory be to God! We are thankful for our family, church family, family and friends and for their support and encouragement during each season. As we continue to serve here at camp, the Gospel to continues to be shared, what a blessing it is to see even our children choosing to follow Jesus.

We praise God for a refreshing time during Christmas, where we were able to spend one weekend with one of our supporting churches, 2 supporting families, and spend 2 weeks with David's mom and family, and drive back. Truly your prayers, support and gifts were a huge blessing. We spent most of the time just making a priority to be together, playing games, eating, drove to a few places close by with family, and help mom. It really a recharge time. It helped all 5 of us to see God supply and protect. The kids had each and envelope with gifts from people and we allowed them to be free to use it (with some parameters, it was fun to see their personalities come out), they had so much fun. We enjoyed the times driving together or visiting. Truly a gift from God!

When we came home, we hit the ground running. If you have been on vacation, you know how it is. You come back with many things that need attention. **David got ready with the things he needed to do to serve at camp,** plus all the maintenance that normally needs attention in the winter. The kids and Wixi restarted school and begin to get ready to head to camp to help with a custom camp. The men who came were encouraged with the Gospel.

Praise God after that week a friend help service the snowcat, and this past week we have gotten lots of snow so it

has been a huge blessing to groom the trails (walking path) inside camp before camp starts. This week it seems like every day that he goes to camp, they have been snow blowing or shoveling (and more shoveling \Box). Yet **God sent help like always.** Today with Dean and a pastor and the pastor's friend they all shovel all cabins, the tower and just open up the snow so we can be more ready for **next week's couples' retreat**. During the next 5 weeks, we have couples retreat, **men's retreat**, Youth retreat (snow blowout), and father-son. Please pray that the Word of God will impact the hearts of our campers, that the truth of the Gospel will convict, saved, encourage, heal and restore according to the individual needs at camp.

This last month, David was able to help finish set up the gas log in the lodge dinning room so it can be used now for retreats. He taught our sons at camp how to put the feet on the benches in the welcome center/registration area. He has been working on putting a finish coat on the windowsills so the blinds can be hung on the windows that need it around the lodge, servicing the snowmachines, working on coat hooks for the lodge. And before Christmas he finished a desk/closet for the speaker's room. Praise God there is always things to do!

Lastly, thank you for praying for us all, especially Anah Grace. She is well, she has not even had migraines or headaches since being back on her seizure medication. We continue to pray that one day she will not need it, yet we trust that God has supply this to teach us all to step in faith and trust Him. Thank you again for choosing to pray and support our family.

David's preaching in Knox, IN on Christmas Sunday was on "God uses the ordinary to do the extraordinary." He spoke of the ordinary (Ruth, David, Joseph, Mary, taxes, Bethlehem) and finished with the extraordinary, Jesus! "He shall save his people from their sins." (Matt. 1:21b) We are an ordinary family with needs, yet God continues to use our family and give us the tools to serve Him.

Serving Christ, David, Wixi, Anah Grace, Leonard & Joseph Heyboer. Thank you for praying!

