

Happy New Year Friends,

This New Year's Eve my wife and I had the pleasure of watching the fireworks show in Edmonton. While we had a spectacular view, the fact that it was the middle of winter did not go unnoticed. The wind was cold and biting, but the amazing show of lights and the friends we were with made it worthwhile to be outdoors.

Enjoy it or not, even the winter does have its purposes. The land is cleansed in preparation for a new year of growth, and allows those that work it take time to prepare and plan for the upcoming year. Our camp ministry runs the same way: our staff and board take time off from the actual running of camp, and re-focus on planning for the upcoming year and beyond.

This planning for the future of our camp is a critical role of our board. Over the last year, we have set some key foundations for this process through the establishment of new society bylaws, a thorough re-working of our camp policies and procedures, and strategic recruitment of part-time staff to keep our ministry running throughout the winter and spring months (our 2019 camp director, Gregory Dion, will be representing our camp and recruiting staff at various conferences and career fairs, and we are finalizing a contract for a part-time spring maintenance person for our camp facilities). As always, we have even larger tasks ahead, such as planning for the future of our camp grounds, facilities, and program activities.

We deeply appreciate your prayers for wisdom and discernment as the board continue to lead Pioneer's ministries though this next near. We desire that we might do as instructed in 1 Timothy 2, and help create a caring place where all may "come to a knowledge of the truth".

Please see details on our planned summer camps and our spring fundraising banquet and auction on the next page.

In His Service, Stuart Barth Board Chairman "

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2 (1-4, NIV)

# Kitchen Volunteers and Cabin Leaders Needed

We are in need of kitchen and cabin staff for the upcoming summer. If you are interested in either of these positions, please contact staff@pioneerbiblecamp.com

# **Prayer List**

We maintain an email prayer list to inform camp supporters of our urgent and near-term needs. If you would like to join our list, please contact Stuart Barth at 780-240-8421 or chairman@pioneerbiblecamp.com

#### 2018-2019 Board of Directors

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Stuart Barth Peter Silvius Michelle Dion Joyce deGroot **Directors** Renee Kuraitis Mathew Penner Bev Jarema

### Committee Members Wanted

We are always looking for additional volunteers for our Program, Fundraising, or Futures Committees. Contact info@pioneerbiblecamp.com to join!

## We are pleased to announce our Summer Program

Teen Week	Ages 13-17	Sunday, July 7th – Friday, July 12th	\$300
Junior Week	Ages 10-12	Sunday, July 14th – Friday, July 19th	\$275
Kid's Camp	Ages 7-9	Sunday, July 21st – Thursday, July 25th	\$250
Young Adult Retreat	Ages 18+	Friday, July 26th – Sunday, July 28th	\$50

## Save the Date!

## **Annual Spring Banquet and Auction**

Saturday, April 27, 2019 Pembina Place, Redwater

If you want to start or stop receiving camp correspondence, or change the way that you receive it (mail or email) then please contact us at: secretary@pioneerbiblecamp.com