## Christian Youth Camps (Waihola) Inc.

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## November 2007 Newsletter

2 Chronicles 34: 3

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Oh that the Lord would bless us with outcomes like this from our Summer Camping Programme. Today we desperately need a land full of young Josiahs.



Sights are now set on our Summer Camping Programme, just on seven weeks away. You will find our **summer camp form**, a 2008 programme brochure and a **2008 calendar**, all on the web site. We will have hard copies available at our next Study Day. There are some great camps coming up and we eagerly look forward to this joyful time of working for the Lord. Do see if you can interest young folk to attend these camps.

Please pray for these camps? (i) That all our efforts will be channelled in such a way that campers will want to know our Heavenly Father personally. (ii) That the Bible will be explained in an interesting and life changing way. (iii) That our leaders would be excellent role models for practical Christian living. We do need your prayerful support over this busy time.

Currently we have advertised the newly created full time **Ministry Manager Position** with applications closing 23 November. If you know of anyone that would be suitable for this position please encourage them to apply by this date. Details are available on the web site or from the Camp Office. There has been a number of enquiries with interest

and requests for a job description and employment agreements from as far away as Iowa!

Good progress has been made in bringing our Camps Programme documentation and processes into a format suitable for applying to the OSCAR (Out of School Care and Recreation) Foundation for approval as a residential holiday programme provider. This involves an audit of our procedures, programmes and property by the Ministry of Social Development's, Child Youth and We are presently awaiting the Department. outcome/response of a review on our written documents with a physical on-site audit due over our summer camps. **Do pray** that we can navigate our way through this process wisely and sensitively avoiding conflicts due to the special nature of our programme and organisation.

Coupled with this, we have seen the need to reactivate our **Training Camps** for prospective leaders and have one scheduled for 14 to 16 December. There will be a focus on the day to day running of a camp, group control of activities along with preparing and giving your personal testimony. If you or you know someone who might be interested in this camp please be in touch with the camp office. **Please pray** for the young folk who will attend this camp, that this will give them a passion for serving the Lord through this Ministry.



**Motorbike Camp** went well this year with sixteen riders utilising forestry tracks behind the camp and the non-operational Wenita Forests. Access was available into the Calder Stewart Forest giving us additional scope outside the operational Forest behind the CYC property. It was the first time

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Campers attended with the cost effective Chinese worked on upgrading our web presence, data base bikes. These campers were the younger ones that and file system, not to mention the many hours really enjoyed being able to progress beyond riding (often at home) on the OSCAR project. He will be around a paddock. The weather held up and the sorely missed but we wish him and Rochelle the boys weren't too tired from the days events to be Lords blessings and under girding for the future. attentive during the evening bible talks.

Our Work Camp over Labour weekend proved to be very effective completing a number of fencing jobs, spring cleaning the pantry, firewood and horse riding tracks. It was a great time of encouragement and fellowship with everyone pitching in. The highlight was having Frank Barker speak on Sunday afternoon.



On offer are subscriptions for Banner of Truth magazine (11 issues annually) cost approximately \$48 plus postage. And the devotional **Geneva** Bible reading notes that are produced quarterly costing \$35 plus postage. Let us know if you would like utilise these, or cancel your standing order.

Sadly there will be some **Staff changes** over the summer period. Tim Wiel is moving to full employment with the IT company he has been working for part time. Fortunately for us its a local firm so wont be moving out of the area and is still available to assist with camps and only a phone call away for those IT questions. Tim has lately

Lastly, let me encourage you to join with us for our last STUDY DAY of the year NOVEMBER **2007.** Do plan to come and support these guys.

See you Saturday, Grant, Joanne and Staff,



## 24 November STUDY DAY PROGRAMME

10.00 am Ross Thompson 10.45 am Morning Tea 11.00 am Hans Vaatstra

12.00 am Lunch with CYC Family (a plate to share please)



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