

# SAGRADA SCHOLARSHIP BIBLE CAMP

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### VICTORY IN JESUS!

Dear Folks Far and Near,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever. It is because of our Almighty God that we have witnessed one miracle after another bringing the Gospel of Christ to the many children who came to SSBC this summer. There truly is victory in Jesus. On May 29, just 5 days before our first day of camp my journal reads, "...we have temporary cooks for each week, not enough counselors for any week but the first, no senior boy counselors, and no nurse but the first camp. Help, please Lord, mercy!" And He did have mercy, and our every need was met above and beyond our expectations. Praise God!

To each of you who played a part in the incredible drama of watching lives changed for now and eternity, **we thank you.** To those of you who prayed, worked hands on with children or with building projects, cooked, cleaned, donated money, time, things needed, drove vans, or any other of the multi-complex aspects of creating a healthy, happy, loving camp environment, thank you. Your investment will live on forever in the lives of these precious children, and **you** are a part of God's miracle to us. Plus, all the kids were sponsored, all the kids were safe, and many are growing and changing for good. It doesn't get any better than that.

*Love and Peace in Christ,*

*The Johnsons, Ringlees, and All who helped this year  
at SSBC*



This boy is smiling because he is riding in a boat that was donated to SSBC this spring. Many of our children have never ridden in a boat and they were very excited about the experience.

Likewise, before camp, many of the children had never heard that the Lord Jesus is their Savior, and they too became excited about what God has done for them.



Girl camps are so different than boy camps. Girls tend to be more content with simple pleasures like relaxing in the swimming pools, whereas the boys try to make whirlpools or try to splash all the water out. When we present the Gospel to the girls they are more reserved and the boys are more open, but both are grateful for the tremendous hope that is offered to them.



#### Praise God!

Saints from many churches came to help prepare the camp for this season's children. It is so important that the camp be well groomed, maintained, and beautified with plants and grass in order for the children to feel encouraged.



#### A Great Big Thank You!

**Guest Helpers from California and other states came in the spring to build, repair, add on, and paint. We could never do it alone. Thanks.**



It was spoken about Jesus.....

Acts 10:42-43

*"And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be Judge of the living and the dead. "To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins.*



### A STORM SWEEPED THROUGH (Friday, June 22, 2007)

The boy's camping week had just ended. The day began hot, muggy, and oppressive, but a storm swept through, the temperature dropped, and the earth was refreshed and cleansed by the rain. It is a good analogy of what God has done for the little boys and big boys this week at camp. Some arrived with the oppressive weight of sin, and the powerful Almighty Lord has swept through their hearts and souls like a mighty storm, and the gentle rain of grace and mercy has refreshed and cleansed them. If their conversion was for real they will never be the same. Praise God!

I never had so many boys throughout one week come up to me and say, "Mother Hen, I want to know how to get saved." My first thought was, "Somebody has been praying for this camp." I heard some very humble prayers of repentance when, together, we bowed.

One little boy became very sensitive to sin within a day of his repentance and commitment to Christ. Tears welled up in his eyes when he realized that witchcraft of any kind was not pleasing to God; he was sorry he had hurt God.



A poem about those....

#### TOUGH LITTLE BOYS

Tough little boys  
So rough and mean  
With anger, revenge,  
And behavior extreme  
Have met with their Savior  
And bowed to pray,  
Now soft, and kind,  
And gentle are they.

They've a long way to go,  
But they're on the right path;  
They'll get plenty of help  
Since they know who to ask;  
Christ is their Savior,  
Their God and their King,  
They'll make it through life  
If to Him they will cling.

The honor is ours  
To serve them this way,  
Remember those boys  
And please stop to pray  
For tough little boys  
To live for the Savior,  
Yes, a change of the heart  
Makes a change in behavior.



# TRAVEL ANNOUNCEMENT



The Johnson family will be in southern California September 18-29 to recruit counselors and more guest helpers. Please contact us to speak to your church or school during those dates.



Two of our counselors – Amy and Scott, just called Chief Big Tick (Cliff Johnson) and announced their engagement. We are very happy for them!



Kim spent countless hours on the office telephone



Colin, Joe, and Sam help with clean up!

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following:

- For every child that attended camp this summer to remember all that they learned about the Lord and to be safe
- For the Johnsons to be sensitive to God's will.
- For one of our senior boys to be placed in a Godly home.
- That God would staff the '08 camps with His people (please Lord, early)
- God would supply all the funds needed for repairs and building projects,
- For a newer van to replace our old broken one.
- For a retired couple to work (minimal tasks) at SSBC 5 months a year (April to August)
- That the Ringle family would get 100% mission support (they are at 75%)



Joy, Lydia, and Gracy lead songs and are highly involved with all aspects of the camp and campers.



Did you know that Greg is a great actor, along with his other talents and gifts!



Senior boy fish camps: where boys are one on one with men, learning is hands on, and Bible study is more personal.



Sagrada Scholarship Bible Camp is dedicated to bringing the Gospel of Christ to the children of prisoners and any child who wants to attend.  
Camps are free to all children regardless of their situation.  
All staff is volunteer.  
SSBC is a non-profit, non-denominational camp, and a member of Christian Camps and Conference Association.  
This camp is supported by people who care.





Girls in their jammies watching the puppet show.



Go, turtle, go!



Crafts are fun and a source of encouragement in the Lord.



The girls help each other memorize verses.

Gentle  
Internal  
Reserved  
Loving  
Sweet - sad



Missionary story time with Mother Hen.



A Camper's Sweet Thank You Letter (grateful for a scholarship)

Dear Sponsor,  
I am so, so happy you paid for me to go to camp and if it were not for you I wouldn't have gotten saved. ....Thank you for helping me get close to God....

Sincerely, Q

**THANK YOU**  
To all of you ladies who have given of yourselves to love and help the girls.



These girls are modeling some of their completed projects: capris, place mats with napkins, and sewing kits that were generously provided.



Our first cook and sew camp for senior girls (13-17) was a huge success for all involved. Godly, talented women taught the girls cooking, sewing, table decorating, health and safety in the kitchen, table etiquette, Proverbs 31, and much more. The girls said, "Please, let us do this again next year."