

# The Buzz

Redberry Bible Camp  
Fall Newsletter



August 2013

## It was the summer of 98...

At that time the camp that I was working for employed a staff pastor; this is when pastor Ed Weiss started a process in my life. While at camp for the summer I was reminded of the fact that my goals and aspirations meant little without plenty of divine interference. It was that summer that Ed prayed over me, encouraging me to pull out of my music major and steer towards camp and youth ministry. Filled with a newfound passion I enrolled in a youth ministry program, plowing forward with the goal of a future in full-time camp ministry. In my own mind, I had started to believe that I was God's gift to camp ministry. Finishing my degree, I found myself working within a few different related ministries, but struggled against the lessons God put in front of me. My time in ministry was short lived and the following summer proved to be my last working in camp ministry, or so I thought...

My next phase of life had me entering the corporate world, starting down a new career path. I put a lot of energy and resources into what I thought was a dream job. Then one day I found myself walking past a row of business intelligence analysts - the thought occurred to me, why do they do what they do. Analyzing every tiny piece of data to squeeze another fraction of a cent out of our customers. Then I thought, why do I do what I do? The answers came quick, but none seemed fulfilling nor true. Thus began my call back into ministry. My wife Tracie and I both heard the call, and it ended with us traveling to Saskatchewan to a place called Redberry...

I no longer have any delusion that I am God's gift to camp ministry, I only hope to survive and take enough time to listen to the Holy Spirit for direction. I am so blessed to have the opportunity to serve at Redberry. I am grateful to have seen firsthand the work of God's grace and perfecting power in my own walk.

... "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So I will boast all the more gladly of my weakness so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. (2 Cor. 12:9)

15 years later I find myself back in camp ministry finishing my first summer at Redberry; what a fantastic ride. God was most certainly at work in the lives of campers and staff. This summer we had numerous children give their lives to Jesus and many more rededicate their lives to the kingdom. Redberry has been blessed with many gifted young leaders. Here too I had the pleasure of seeing God's transformative hand in maturing leaders for his work. For me personally, God has begun a new process, I am so excited to participate in what the future holds for this incredible place.

David Seeley  
Executive Director



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# Planning for 2014

As another chapter of summer comes to a close, our thoughts are already towards next year. For those types of you who like to plan ahead here are some of the dates coming up in 2014 to prepare for:

Redberry Gala: Oct 19, 2013

Sr. High Retreat: Jan 31-Feb 2

Work Days: Feb 22, Apr. 12, May 31

Jr. High Retreat: March 21-23

Marriage Retreat: Apr 25-27

Redberry Run: May 10

Summer Camps:\*

Advanced Ranch Camp: June 29-Jul 4

Explore Camp: Jun 30 - Jul 1

Lil Boots: July 2-4

Jr Teen: July 6-11 & Aug 10-15

Adventure Camp: Jul 13-18 & Aug 17-22

Junior Camp: Jul 20-25

Intermediate Ranch Camp: Jul 20-25

Teen Camp: Jul 27-Aug 1

Beginner Ranch Camp: Aug 3-8

*\*camp registration opens in January*

For more information on these or other Redberry events - <http://www.redberrybiblecamp.com/contact>

## New Website

We are excited to announce that Redberry has updated and refreshed its website. As before the site can still be found at [www.redberrybiblecamp.com](http://www.redberrybiblecamp.com).

Our goal with this new website is to make the site our primary means of communication. We will work hard to keep the site updated with the latest information. Have a look at the website and let us know what you think - we welcome any suggestions you might have.

If you attended Redberry this summer or had a loved one attend, we would love to hear about your experience. We have a new survey located on our new site - <http://bit.ly/RBCsurvey>





# 2013 Impact Stories

“ There were times this summer that I wondered if I was having any impact on the campers. Not because my message was not getting through, but because they impact me more than I thought possible. Although it is my job to serve the campers, it is humbling to see God working through the 12 year old campers, impacting other campers and staff. ”

“ During teen camp there was a 24hour prayer room. It was amazing to see the staff lounge transformed into an amazing space of prayer and worship where people could spend time deepening their relationship with God. The room was filled with visual elements from the prayers of the staff & campers: confessions pinned to a cross, descriptions of God strung across the room & spectacular artwork being displayed. Particularly inspiring was white surrender papers that almost every camper had put up conveying their decisions to surrender to God. It was an awesome week topped with many of my close friends having life changing experiences in just one week. ”

“ Camp has been a big impact in my life. Last year my cabin leader connected me to my church. So if I hadn't gone to camp, and been in that cabin I would have never gone to a church, where I met God and good christian friends. Camp has shown me how much God loves me and it feels fantastic. ”



“ It's crazy how Redberry has impacted my life, and I only just started as a staff member. I honestly had no idea how cabin leading would go. I was in a not so great work environment at home and needed a change, and a friend suggested Redberry. It was a last minute decision that I am so thankful for. My relationship with God has gone to a new level, and Redberry has truly been an answer to prayer. I feel like I have grown along with the campers, and it's such a cool experience witnessing God's work in so many campers lives, as well as my own. It's like having a giant family, campers and staff here with the same purpose of serving God, with some learning about who he is for the first time. Regardless where anyone is with their walk with Christ, Redberry is an amazing and safe place to grow in and really figure out who you are. Sounds cheesy, but it's so true. I am already stoked for next summer. ”

# Supporting Redberry

As you likely already know, Redberry's ministry is a reality because of the generous gifts from our supporters. We are always in need of support, and there are a variety of ways that you can support our ministry:

## Volunteer your time at Camp

During the summer months the camp is run with the help of volunteers. Remember that as a year round ministry, Redberry can always use a few extra hands to help finish projects around the camp. In addition we have 3 official Work days in 2014: Feb 22, April 12, & May 31.

## Commit to Pray

This summer during teen camp we decided to pray for 24 hours straight. Our staff lounge became a house of prayer. We are always in need of prayer. Please be sure to keep our ministry in your hearts.

## Financial Support

Redberry has an annual operating budget over 600,000 (<http://bit.ly/redberrybudget>). Our summer camp registrations only bring in about 40% of those costs, therefore we rely on donations from people like you. If you are interested in supporting us financially here are some ways that you can.

- Sponsorship Program: This program exists to ensure that campers who's families have difficulty with the costs associated to camp can still attend redberry.
- General donations: General donations made to the camp go where the need is most such as: facilities upkeep, program supplies, staff salaries, and capital projects.

## Monthly Giving

In the past, donations to Redberry needed to be made as a single onetime gift. We recognize that this is not ideal for everyone. For that reason we now have the ability to accept donations through a monthly automatic withdraw. An added benefit of this option is that the donation is placed directly to our bank. This reduces administration fees and ensures that the maximum amount of your gift is used in Redberry's ministry. If you have been praying about supporting redberry financially, consider this as an option as it helps us keep a more consistent cash flow through the entire year.

To give monthly to redberry simply fill out the attached form and then mail it and a void cheque to the camp. PO Box 25128 River Heights Saskatoon, Sk S7K 8B7. Additional forms can be obtained online (<http://bit.ly/redberrymonthly>).

## An Evening Out With Redberry

Another way in which you can support Redberry is by attending one of our fundraisers. We have two major fundraisers each year; the Redberry run & our Evening Out with Redberry. This years fall fundraiser is planned for October 19th. Come out to enjoy music, food, silent auction, fellowship, and fun.

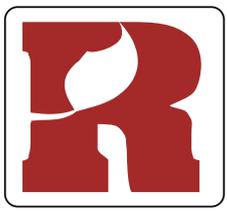
Tickets are \$5 per person, or \$35 per table (tables seat 8). The deadline to purchase tickets is October 16th. Call our office or email today as space is limited.



## Contact Us

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# Redberry Bible Camp Monthly Donation

## Donor Information:

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment Details:

Amount Of Payment

Payment Frequency

Donation Designation

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- Bi-Weekly  
 Monthly

- Use where needed Most  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Start Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Donor Account Information

*\* this information can be obtained by calling your bank, alternately you can supply us with a void check.*

Institution #

Branch ID #

Account #

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## Bank/Financial Institution:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Authorization:

I/We acknowledge that this Authorization is provided for the benefit of Redberry Bible Camp and Redberry's bank - Affinity Credit Union. This authorization is provided in consideration of Affinity Credit Union agreeing to process debits against the donor account and their processing institution in accordance with the rules of the Canadian Payments Association.

By signing this Authorization the Donor acknowledged having received and read a copy of this Agreement, including the terms and conditions on page 2, acknowledges understanding the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and agrees to be bound by the outlined terms and conditions. I/We warrant and guarantee that the person(s) whose signature(s) are required to sign on the Account have signed the Authorization

Donor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*\* if two or more signatures are required, then both or all Donors must sign.*

## Waiver of Pre-Notification:

I/We waive any or all requirements for pre-notification of debiting, including without limitation pre-notification of any charges in the amount of the pre-authorized deposit due to a change in any applicable tax. top-up, or adjustment.

Donor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Donor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Terms and Conditions:

1. I/We hereby authorize Payee, in accordance with the terms of my/our account agreement with Processing Institution, to debit or cause to be debited the Account for the purposes indicated in the "Payment Type" section on page 1 of this Agreement.
2. Particulars of the Account that Payee is authorized to debit are indicated in the "Payment Details" section on page 1 of this Agreement. A specimen cheque, if available for the Account, has been marked "VOID" and attached to this Authorization.
3. I/We undertake to inform the Payee, in writing, of any change in the Account information provided in this Authorization prior to the next due date of the PAD.
4. This Authorization is continuing but may be canceled at any time upon notice being provided by me/us, either in writing or orally, with proper authorization to verify my/our identity within the specified number of days before the next PAD is to be issued as noted on Page 1, Cancel Payment section. I/we acknowledge that I/we can obtain a sample cancellation form or further information on my/our right to cancel this Acknowledgment from Processing Institution or by visiting [www.cdn-pay.ca](http://www.cdn-pay.ca). I/we acknowledge that if I/we wish to cancel this Authorization or if I/we have any questions or need further information with respect to a PAD, I/we can contact the Payee at the telephone number or address set out in this Agreement.
5. Revocation of this Authorization does not terminate any contract for goods or services that exists between me/us and Payee. This Authorization applies only to the method of payment and does not otherwise have any bearing on the contract for goods or services exchanged.
6. I/We acknowledge that provision and delivery of this Authorization to Payee constitutes delivery by me/us to Processing Institution. Any delivery of this Authorization to Payee constitutes delivery by the Payor.
7. If this Authorization is for fixed or variable amount business, personal or funds transfer PADs recurring at set intervals, unless I/we have waived any and all requirements for per-notification of debiting in the "Waiver of Pr-Notification" section on page 1 of this Agreement, or unless the change in the amount of any such PAD will occur as a result of my/our direct action (such as, but not limited to, telephone instructions or other remote measures), I/we acknowledge I/we will receive:
  - (a) with respect to fixed amount business or personal PADs, written notice from the Payee of the amount to be debited and the due date(s) of debiting, at least 10 calendar days before the due date of the first PAD, and such notice will be received every time there is a change in the amount or the payment date(s); or
  - (b) with respect to variable amount business or personal PADs, written notice from the Payee of the amount to be debited and the due date(s) of debiting, at least 10 calendar days before the due date of every PAD; or
  - (c) with respect to business, personal or funds transfer PADs, at least 10 calendar days written notice from the Payee of any change in the amount of the PAD which results from a change in any applicable tax rate, a top-up or other adjustment. No per-notification will be given if the amount of the PAD decreases as a result of a reduction in municipal, provincial, or federal tax.pre-notification may be given in writing or in any form of representing or reproducing words in visible form, which, if I/we have provided an email address to the Payee, includes an electronic document. The amount of per-notification provided will change when there is a change in the per-notification requirements contained in the CPA Rules.
8. If this Authorization provides for PADs with sporadic frequency, I/we understand that the Payee is required to obtain an authorization from me/us for each and every PAD prior to the PAD being exchanged and cleared. I/we agree that a password or security code or other signature equivalent will be issued and will constitute valid authorization for the Processing Institution to debit the Account.
9. I/We acknowledge that Processing Institution is not required to verify that a PAD has been issued in accordance with the particulars of this Authorization, including, but not limited to, the amount.
10. I/We acknowledge that Processing Institution is not required to verify that any purpose of payment for which the PAD was issued has been fulfilled by Payee as a condition to honoring a PAD issued or caused to be issued by Payee on the Account.
11. I/We acknowledge that, if this Authorization is for personal or business PADs or for funds transfer PADs that have recourse through the clearing system, a PAD may be disputed but only under the following conditions:
  - (a) the PAD was not drawn in accordance with this Authorization;
  - (b) this Authorization was revoked; or
  - (c) per-notification was required and was not received.I/We further acknowledge that in order to be reimbursed, a declaration to the effect that either (a), (b), or (c) took place must be completed and presented to the branch of Processing Institution holding the Account on or before the 90th calendar day in the case of a personal PAD or a funds transfer PAD that has recourse through the clearing system or, in the case of a business PAD, on or before the 10th business day, in each case after the date on which the PAD in dispute was posted to the Account.
12. I/We acknowledge that any claim made after the periods set out above must be resolved solely between me/us and the Payee and there is no entitlement to reimbursement from the Processing Institution.
13. I/We acknowledge and agree that if this Authorization is for funds transfer PADs and the Payee does not provide recourse through the clearing system, then no recourse will be provided through the clearing system (that is, I/we will not receive automatic reimbursement in the event of a dispute) and I/we must seek reimbursement or recourse from the Payee in the event a PAD is erroneously charged to the Account.
14. Unless this Authorization is for a funds transfer PAD that does not have recourse through the clearing system, I/we acknowledge that I/we have certain recourse rights if a debit does not comply with this Authorization. For example, I/we have the right to receive reimbursement for any debit that is not authorized or is not consistent with this Authorization. To obtain more information on my/our recourse rights I/we can contact Processing Institution or visit [www.cdnpay.ca](http://www.cdnpay.ca).
15. I/We acknowledge that I/we understand that I/we are participating in a PAD plan established by Payee and I/we accept participation in the PAD plan upon the terms and conditions set out herein.
16. I/We consent to the disclosure of any personal information that may be contained in this Authorization to the financial institution that holds the account of the Payee to be credited with the PAD to the extent that such disclosure of personal information is directly related to and necessary for the proper application of Rule H1 of the Rules of the Canadian Payments Association.