

Sagrada Scholarship Bible Camp

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From the Director

Greetings everyone,

It's been busy at SSBC as we have been working toward preparing for the upcoming camp season. As Easter has passed, I continue to think of what Jesus did for us, "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" (2 Cor. 5:21). Jesus took our sin upon him, and saved us. While it cost Jesus his perfect, sinless life, we can freely receive the free gift of salvation. And as Jesus said in Matthew 10:8b, "...freely you have received, freely give."

As I sit here writing this, I praise God for His mercy & grace poured out on me a sinner. His love for me, for you, for the world, was seen some 2000 years ago on that Friday, when Jesus paid the price. Along with praise for what He did, I praise him for His generosity

toward the world. As I heard pastor Randy S. once say "we are recipients of generosity, and that makes us a generous people". I have seen this in your prayers for the camp, your giving financially to support the camp, and now as camp time arrives, I see your generosity in giving time & labor to prepare for the arrival of the campers. For being a generous people, I praise and thank God for you, and pray He continues to bless you for your generosity.

This is the beginning of the 20th camp season of SSBC, since Cliff & Susie and all the other volunteers hosted that first camp in 1997. We are in the process of building a place of prayer in honor of Cliff & Susie, and will have a dedication in remembering the history here at SSBC. It's exciting and encouraging to hear the stories of how God has worked in the past lives of the campers, and we wait in expectation to see what the Lord is going to do this year, and in the future! So I invite you

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GIVE OZARKS

Participate in an **online fundraiser**, May 3, to help raise support for camper sponsorships for this year's camp season. Check us out online at <https://giveozarks.org>

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AMAZON SMILE

Do you shop on Amazon? Use the following address on [amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) for purchases and Amazon will contribute .5% of the purchase price to SSBC, <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/43-1800769>

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NEWSLETTERS BY EMAIL

Emailing newsletters saves printing, envelopes, and postage expenses. To receive the newsletters and updates by email contact us at: director@sagradabiblecamp.org

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to come be a part of God's work here at SSBC.

Here are opportunities to serve at SSBC:

Pre-Camp workers preparing the camp

Counselors - Cooks - Nurses

Administrative Helpers

Maintenance Workers

General Helpers - Van Driver

Media/Website development

Please pray about how God would use you in serving at SSBC. And as you listen to God's voice, trust (believe) Him in whatever He leads and be obedient in your service to Him. If God leads you to serve at SSBC, please shoot us an email or give us a call to let us know how you will be serving.

Blessings, Tracy Guppy

This little boy is the second generation now attending SSBC. His mom was a camper at Sagrada at



his age, and came often and loved it. She didn't want him to miss this opportunity. He got saved last Tuesday (6/9/2015).

to my church go out to that camp and they can't stop talking about the fun they have, how much they love it, and how they can't wait to go back. The people at our church can't get over how much they actually learn about the Bible. They're proud of the Bibles you give to them. They love that camp. They never stop talking about it. It's a wonderful camp," she said. "Yes, I agree, it is a wonderful camp", I said, "Please ask your church to pray for the camp to get all the help it needs this summer." Then later, as I was driving off and pondering her words, I thought to myself, wow, some of our camp kids are connecting with churches. Praise God!

Mother Hen

Dear Supporters of SSBC,

We are very excited about this coming camp season. Our new director, Tracy Guppy, has a fun-filled, Christ-centered camping experience planned for all the campers who attend. His desire for sharing the love of Christ with the children is contagious! The vision upon which the camp was founded and under which it has operated for the past twenty years is the same vision that the Board and Tracy have for the future! Every year at Sagrada, our goal is to reach the children of prisoners and under-resourced children with the Gospel of Christ by teaching the Bible. This work cannot be accomplished without wonderful supporters like you. Thank you for your continued support in prayer, labor, and finances! To God be the glory!

We also want to thank the Jacob's family for their time served at SSBC. Please pray for them as they transition to a new phase of life for their family back in the Kansas City area.

We hope to see you this summer at camp!

Sincerely,
The Board of Directors of SSBC

HEY, DON'T YOU WORK AT THAT CAMP THAT HAS HEART ATTACK HILL?

This winter, while running errands in Sedalia, I ran into a Deli to grab a sandwich. The lady behind the cash register looked quizzically at me, and then asked, "Hey, don't you work at that camp that has Heart Attack Hill? I remember talking to you and your husband years ago about that camp. A lot of kids that go

Sagrada Day of Prayer

Saturday 9:00 - 11:00

April 16, 2016 May 21, 2016

Come join us at Sagrada Scholarship Bible Camp as we pray corporately for God's ministry to our campers and for the upcoming camp season. We will meet in the Barn and pray as the body of Christ. After the corporate prayer time, we will hand out a Prayer Guide to prayer walk through the camp, praying over the activities and the areas where the campers and workers will be.

If you are unable to participate in the prayer walk of the campground, you may remain in the Barn and pray through the same prayer guide. If you are unable to attend, please email director@sagradabiblecamp.org and request a prayer guide so you may pray for SSBC at home. We thank you for your past prayers and support, and we look forward to seeing you here.



CAMP DATES

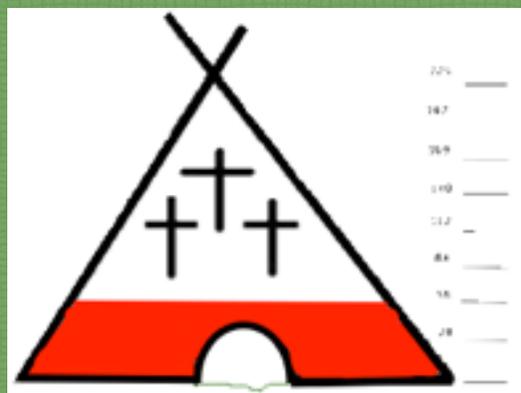
JUNE 6 TO 10, JUNIOR GIRLS # 1
JUNE 13 - 17, JUNIOR BOYS # 1
JUNE 20-24, JUNIOR GIRLS # 2
JUNE 27 - JULY 1, JUNIOR BOYS # 2

JULY 4 - 8, OFF WEEK

JULY 11 - 15, JUNIOR GIRLS # 3
JULY 18 - 22, SENIOR BOYS # 1
JULY 25 - 29, SENIOR GIRLS # 1

CAMPER SPONSORSHIPS

We are continuing to raise sponsors for the Campers for the 2016 Camp Season. At the present time, we have 67 sponsors of the goal of 225. Help send a child to camp by praying for him/her, and financially providing \$100 to help with the expenses so that the camper may come to camp free of charge. This covers approximately 1/2 of their expenses. Angel Tree Ministries also helps by providing the other half of the expenses. Help us to paint the teepee red as we raise sponsors for the campers.



Chief Big Tick & Mother Hen Prayer Point Dedication May 28, 10:00

On the northwest point of the SSBC property, at the top of "Heart Attack Hill", we are building a pergola, where one can come, sit, and meet with God. A place that we can pray, praise God for His creation, which includes Chief Big Tick and Mother Hen. In honor of their service to SSBC in the past, and now into the future with Mother Hen, we celebrate our 20th camp that begins June 6. Please come be a part of this time of celebration.

Afterwards we will have drinks and snacks in the barn for a time of fellowship. We hope to see you here.

SERVING TEEN BOYS AT SAGRADA

All of June last summer I was able to work at Sagrada Bible Camp, then Joe and I flew off to CT for two weeks to see family. Upon touchdown from the CT trip I was told that SSBC was short on help for the senior boy's camp (teen boys). How glad I was to be able to answer that call for help. Most of these boys had 'grown up' at SSBC, from just little boys to young men; it was obvious that they were glad to be there. They would hug me and when time permitted would sit with me to tell me their stories. One boy who has been coming to Sagrada for nine years told me, "I never thought I would have to call the police on my own brother, but he had my mom held captive in her room because he was mad at her. He was shouting threats and was out of control, doing drugs and getting into trouble. After watching him, I knew that I didn't want that type of life. My sister and I just want to keep coming here and even help here. This is our happy place.

Another boy, age 14, who just got adopted last year said, "Mother Hen, I'm glad my birth mom got caught because if life went on as it had I wouldn't have been here at this awesome camp." As I walked toward the camp fire area a big boy came up to me and put his face near mine; he whispered, I miss Chief Big Tick. I whispered back, me too. I'm glad he started this camp, he said; me too, I replied. When the camp week ended and it was time to leave, there was a teen boy who could not stop crying.

Just like the boy who was glad for the change in events in his life, I too, am glad that at the last minute I ran out to the camp to help. So many blessings are at SSBC. If YOU can come out to the camp this summer to help please fill out an application and call the office to share the good news. If you have served at Sagrada before, COME BACK! The campers will be searching for your familiar face the minute they get off the bus. You are their Godly relationship and you are important to them. For some kids, this camp is the only continuity they have. They need YOU! The goal of Sagrada is to bring the love and hope of the Good News of Jesus Christ to these children. If you're new, COME JOIN IN ON SERVING GOD'S SPECIAL CHILDREN. HE LOVES these children and so do I. YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID!

Mother Hen

Prayer Requests:

- Volunteers that are needed in all areas to prepare for camp, and for those needed during the camp season.
- Campers Registration as invitations have gone out to over 1000 campers (last years campers, and about 800 new Angel Tree children who were identified). Pray for the campers coming to SSBC that they will hear and respond to God's call in their lives.
- We need help with our website. Please pray for someone who knows about Wordpress that may help in this area.
- Long term Office & Maintenance help needed.

