July - August 2019

GREAT SUMMER AT CASTLE ROCK

Campers and workers have enjoyed a wonderful summer in the Gallatin Gateway of Montana at Castle Rock Baptist Camp. Several of the weeks were record breaking in attendance. There were many spiritual decisions made for Christ. We thank the Lord for answering prayer in providing for our desire to see camp grow.

COMING SOON

The Annual Meeting of the Inter-mountain Baptist Fellowship is just around the corner. On Monday evening September 30 we will be meeting at Heritage Baptist Church in Great Falls for the first service of our fellowship's annual meeting. The meeting will continue Tuesday October 1st and conclude on Wednesday October 2nd.

Please plan to join us for this important time of preaching, fellowship and encouragement.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate the Beartooth Mountain Baptist Church of Red Lodge, Montana on the purchase of their own building. The beautiful historic church facility is the oldest church in Red Lodge. Pastor Pruitt came to plant the ministry in Red Lodge in February of 2010. He and his family have faithfully ministered for nearly 10 years. Please pray for the Lord's continued blessing upon the church and their pastor.

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT - Pastor Paul D. Hoover {pauldhoover@icloud.com}

We have enjoyed at great summer already. The Lord has been blessing the churches as well as Castle Rock Baptist Camp. During the month of June, we saw record attendances in all three of the camps. Nehemiah's Work Retreat had a total of 52 workers involved with the cleaning and preparing for the camp season. Elijah's Academy Leadership Camp had a record of 18 campers and the Caleb's Kin Week had 42 in attendance. We are rejoicing at what the Lord is doing throughout our fellowship. We also have received an application for affiliation with our fellowship from a church in Colorado. We will be voting on that affiliation at the Annual Meeting.

NEW WEBSITE IS NOW AVAILABLE: <u>IMBFELLOWSHIP.COM</u>

It is our prayer that we might relay to our readers the vistas of the glories of Christ and His work, enjoy the sweet fellowship of God's people, and share our burden for the great and needy harvest fields of the IMBF.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Cody, WY

By the time you read this, we will have already had our float in the 4th of July Centennial Cody Stampede parade. Our goal this year is to promote VBS and our church in the community. We will hand out one thousand popsicles and over a thousand invitations. We look forward to the blessings that the Lord will bring with all the kids that will attend vacation bible school on August 5th through the 8th. We are so blessed to have a group coming down from Kansas City (of almost 16 people) to help us with VBS and community outreach this August. Please pray with us that the Lord will bring forth great fruit and much planting as we continue to prepare for this summer season. Thank you for your Ministries, thank you for your prayers, and we are always praying for you. Lord bless.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Laurel, MT

This month has been busy preparing Castle Rock Camp for the season and holding three camps. Nehemiah's Work Week has for many years consisted of a concentrated 52-hour work retreat from Thursday to Saturday. It includes mowing and meeting other needs on the grounds such as painting, thoroughly cleaning the lodge, the chapel, all cabins, toilets, etc. The last few years, because of special projects under the leadership of very able Camp Manager, J.D. Benson, there have been workers at camp all week. This year's very challenging project is to build a pavilion 100 feet by 50 feet on a flat of piece ground behind the girl's cabins. J.D. spent many hours since last year's camp designing and figuring costs. The Fellowship of churches then set a special Sunday aside when they would take a special offering to fund the project. Praise our GREAT GOD the need WAS met! They were able to start work on the pavilion on Monday, June 10th. J.D. had 6 to 8 helpers each day. Nehemiah's 52-hour retreat resulted in a new record of 52 individuals who helped during the work week!!



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