



"What a great day in the life of the camp!"

So was the immediate reaction of a dear pastor friend when I informed him that the debt eradication campaign had reached (surpassed!) its goal. I couldn't have said it better if I had said it myself.

You, our friends and supporters, responded in an overwhelming manner to the opportunity to eliminate the remainder of the debt that this ministry has been carrying for practically all its fifty years. What a freeing moment it is to enter a second half-century of service without the weight of debt payments eclipsing every financial consideration in our efforts to advance the outreach ministries. Not only has your support provided financial relief, but it is also God's provision of the "*plain path* [Psa. 27:11]" that we often pray for. We are now in position to move forward confidently with the long-term personnel and facility renovations that are necessary to

step into a new era of ministry. At the same time, we are exercising every effort to maintain the core essentials that have made *The Anchorage* a unique camping experience for 50 years.

These are exciting days here at *The Anchorage*. Long-term program and operations personnel so needed to move forward in ministry are currently being vetted to assume positions in early spring.

The house project is nearing completion. Once that is completed, our plan is to move forward with demolishing the existing house, replacing it with an green space extension of the *Lee's Creek* deck area featuring *Kubb*, corn hole, and *bocce`* courts along with a couple of batting cages. There are other advances in the immediate and near future, some large and some smaller. However, not wanting to get ahead of myself I will refrain from elaborating at this time.

This is the time to take a moment and praise God for His provision on our behalf. It is also time to carefully evaluate the mission that God has called us to and dedicate our efforts to following the "*plain path*" He has opened before us.

And it is time to express our sincere appreciation for the support and prayers that you, our friends and partners in this ministry, have put forth to ensure that this "great day in the life of the camp" has actually become reality. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow!"

Yours for the cause of Christ,

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