



“He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.” Psalms 91:1

Have you noticed that many people live their lives trying to escape from something? How many of us escape from the world by turning on the TV to watch a movie or a favorite show. I’ve been challenged lately on what it means to dwell in the presence of the Most High. What does it mean to have relationship so close with God that you experience rest in his shadow?

This past year at Redberry was an amazing experience of God moving, sometime in ways that are hard to put into words. The campers were hungry for God and thirsty for something more than what they were getting from



the world. At camp we have the opportunity to worship God without the burden of tradition. It was great to see kids drawing their feeling to God on huge poster during chapel times, Girls waving flags as an expression of worship and praise. Line ups of little people waiting for their turn to throw a log in the fire and share what they had learned about God that week. And many cheers of praise as we celebrated commitments made and lives changed.

As a camp Director you always wonder and sometimes worry about what your Staff will be like this summer. God’s hand was definitely at work in 07, our Staff always seemed to have a song on their lips and an endless supply of

energy and love. This generation of young leaders is motivated to know God in a personal way and serve him with whole hearts. Many trip were made up to David’s tent to spend quite time in prayer and dwell in the shelter of the Most High. Our Associate Director Ian Klassen and his wife Heidi choose to make this their last summer with us at Redberry. Both Ian and Heidi shared that this summer was a special one for them and that they will miss working at camp. We want to acknowledge their faithful servant leadership at camp and bless them as they serve God in other ways in the future. Jeff Siemens and his wife Jenn have accepted the Associate Director position and will begin their ministry in April. Jeff is currently a youth pastor in Hague is excited to get started at camp.



Momentum is a very significant thing. Everyone wants to get on the train that is moving. This past year we have been overwhelmed and encouraged by the investment and ownership that that the churches have made in the camp. Through work day and fundraisers, gifts and financial contributions the camp has been able to eliminate our capital debt and begin several major building project. 2008 will also be significant as we work to complete the pastor retreat cabin, construct a new maintenance building, set up a Base Camp for the Girls Ranch camp and construct a 70X120 cover-all for storage of equipment and material. If all goes well, we plan to demolish the old shop in fall. That should make quite the wiener roast.

Thank you for your prayer support. Camp is much more than programs and buildings. It’s about changed lives through the power of Christ Jesus. That’s our focus! We want to challenge kids to live a life of truth that is “**between the lines**”. The shadow of the almighty can be found in a daily choice that puts Him first in everything.

Keep your paddle in the water,

Wendell Andres

