



Alberta



Child Evangelism Fellowship



Saskatchewan

"It is not the will of your Father...that one of these little ones should perish." - Matthew 18:14

"Fishing With Grandpa!"

Dear Friends,

June 10, 2014

As a young boy, my grandpa and grandma Buhler would come for a visit. They lived in the USA and would come every summer. They would often call a week or so before they came and Grandpa would always remind me that when they came Grandpa and I would go fishing.



There was always a lot of excitement as we all anticipated their arrival and, just as Grandpa had promised, we always went fishing.

This summer our theme is "Go Fish – Fishing with Jesus" and just as I remember how excited I was to go fishing with Grandpa, every summer continues to be exciting as we prepare to go fishing with Jesus for boys and girls.



Our theme verse is from Matthew 4:19 where we find Jesus calling Peter and Andrew to "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." I always loved to go fishing with Grandpa, but I will have to say going fishing with Jesus is even more exciting.

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Kids need something to do this summer! Why not run a 5-Day Club VBS?
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It was always exciting when Grandpa said we were going to go fishing in a new spot and it is just as exciting to have new communities and locations where we will take the gospel to the boys and girls. So far, this summer has many new open doors in 25 communities across both Alberta and Saskatchewan including: Claresholm, Langdon, Balzac, Carseland, Okotoks, Hanna, Sylvan Lake, Bentley, Red Deer, Blackfalds, Calmar, Wetaskiwin, Stony Plain, Hinton,

Red Earth Creek, and Elk Point in Alberta! and Cumberland House, Elbow, Maple Creek, Kyle, Springside, Carlyle, Arcola, and Kisbey in Saskatchewan.

I remember one time my grandpa took me fishing on a reserve near Fort Qu'Appelle. I never realized that many years later we would be fishing on reserves all across Saskatchewan and Alberta but this time we would be fishing for boys and girls. The 5-Day Clubs continue to book up on the reserves as well; so far we are booked on Carry the Kettle, Big Stone, Canoe Lake, Red Earth, Shoal Lake, Far, Fishing Lake, Moosomin, Muskoday, Sweetgrass, Thunderchild, Yellow Quill, as well as Calling Lake in Alberta. We continue to book clubs on the reserves and it would seem we will probably be on over 30 reserves this summer which is more than we have ever been on before. This is a picture last summer from the club on Red Earth Reserve. It is an exciting opportunity and we are thankful for every reserve that opens up.



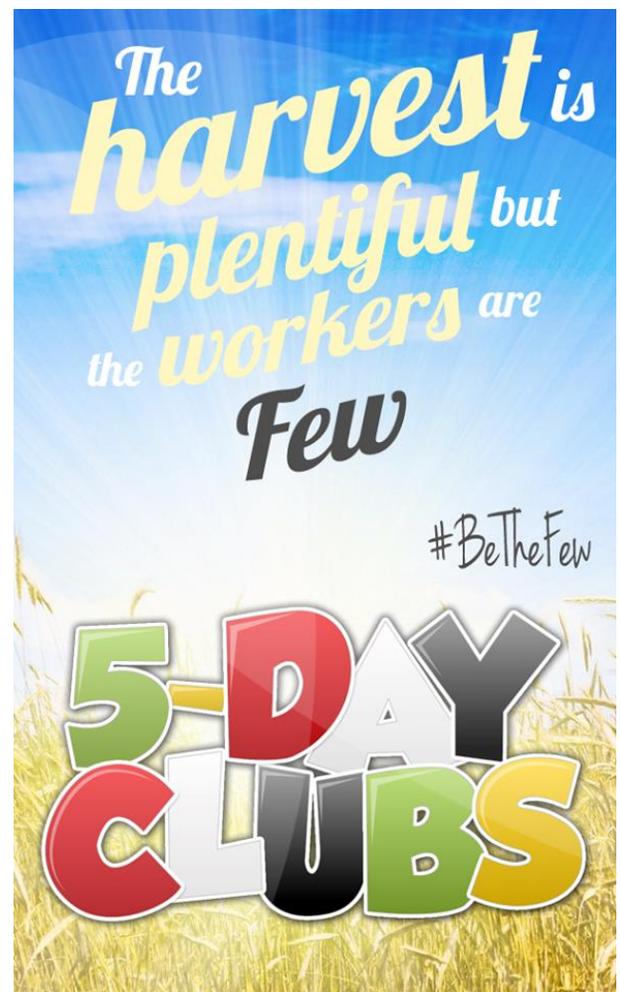
I found it interesting that Grandpa never waited for me to ask if I could go fishing with him, but always would ask me first. Jesus did the same: "Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Every summer we are looking for young people to teach the 5-Day Clubs and we spend the first two weeks of July training them to become fishers of boys and girls and this summer is no different. We currently have about 40 young people who have committed to teaching clubs this summer but we are hoping to have 60. God has provided 37 government grants and there are still several available for young people who qualify. They can earn up to 500.00 per week and we are trusting God to once again provide the young people of His choice.

Levi came up with a slogan to challenge young people to be workers this summer as he reflected on the verses from Matthew 9:35-38. It reminds me a

lot of the 5-Day Club ministry every summer. It says this:

"Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom . . . But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

Levi's response, "# be the few"



Do you know any young people who would be willing to give their summer to God and as Levi says, "# be the few"?

Every time I went fishing with Grandpa it never crossed my mind, "Who will pay the gas to get to where we are going fishing?" as well as all the other costs involved.

In many ways we trust God to meet the needs of this ministry and the cost of the gas, the Mailbox Club lessons, and materials to teach the clubs. Gas alone

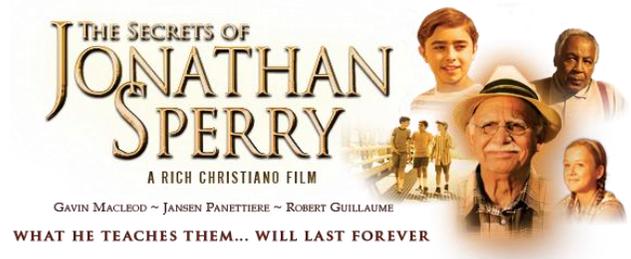
cost \$17,000.00 last summer and yet we know what we are called to do and that is to go fishing with Jesus. He will provide for the needs along the way. We do want to thank you for your part in making this ministry possible as we seek once again to go fishing for boys and girls across Alberta and Saskatchewan.

If you would like more information or like to know how you could be a part of this ministry to reach boys and girls, go to our 5-Day Club website at 5dayclubs.com. There is a great video on the home page that would be a real encouragement to you.

We would love the opportunity to work with your church or any Christian family who would be willing to host a 5-Day Club in their backyard. We would love to hear from you. Like Grandpa, we are always looking for a great place to go fishing, hoping to reach more boys and girls with the gospel.

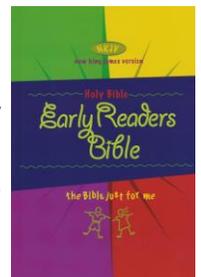


This past week we sent out this Club DJ invitation to every household in Bienfait with the Secrets of Jonathan Sperry DVD.



As well this week we will be sending out the Jonathan Sperry DVD and gospel of John to every household in Carrot River, Ridgedale, and Burr, SK. If you would like to sponsor a community just visit our website jonathansperryproject.com.

Once again this year we will be providing Bibles to give to the children. They are produced by Thomas Nelson and have a retail value of \$22.00. We are able to purchase them for \$12.00, shipping included. Once again this year we are partnering with the CYIA workers with this project and they can purchase them for \$6.00 and CEF will cover the other half. The workers can then distribute them as God directs them to and to the children that they have taught that week.



This ministry is upheld by prayer. I would like to share with you a message from Vangi who heads up the prayer band ministry:

"I am amazed and oh, so blessed, to think that God, not I, has led our Prayer Band now for 10 years! Oh, the many prayers that He has answered! The miracles that we have witnessed, the amazing growth of the CEF clubs ministry in ten years - from



Every year there are churches we had the opportunity to work with through 5-Day Club VBS and then in the fall we continue to work together through Club DJ. One of the most common responses from the churches is the number of unchurched children that they are reaching, providing an opportunity to share the gospel each week.

We are already booking Club DJ workshops and it looks like there will be many new Club DJ's starting up this fall. There are two large churches planning on starting up this fall, one in Edmonton and one in Calgary, as well as several others in communities across Alberta and Saskatchewan. If you or your church would like information on starting up Club DJ in your church, we would love to hear from you!

one province, 10 workers to two provinces, 60 workers and still growing, the many children who have given their hearts to the Lord, Jerry Durston and his family, growing too and still leading the charge, still on fire for the Lord, being used in greater and more amazing ways every year to train the troops and reach the boys and girls of Saskatchewan and Alberta with the good news of salvation through faith in Him! TO GOD BE THE GLORY, GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE & GREAT THINGS HE IS STILL DOING. Aren't we blessed and privileged to be a part of this vibrant, blessed-of-God ministry? I trust that His Holy Spirit will confirm to you that interceding in prayer for the 5-day clubs and the CYIA workers is as much His calling for **you** as it is for me and the CDP Prayer Band. May the Lord bless you richly as you join with us in prayer from your home in that special place where God has chosen for you to live!"

I am so thankful for each one who prays. If you would like to join Vangi and the prayer band please email me and you too can share in this exciting ministry in this way.

In closing, I came to realize that although my grandpa loved to fish, his love for me was far greater. His desire was that I would follow Jesus and his way to encourage me to do this was by spending time with me going fishing. I wish I could sit down with him again with a fishing rod in my hand and share with him all God has done in my life as I said 'yes' to following Jesus. Thank you again for your faithful prayers and support.

God bless each of you for your part,



Jerry Durston
Provincial Director



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Brooks, Alberta

Jerry Speaking

June 22, 2014 – 11:00 AM

CYIA Training

June 30 – July 11

5-Day Clubs

July 14 – August 22

Welcome Home

August 23

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Websites:

CEF of Alberta – www.cefalberta.org

CEF of Saskatchewan – www.cefsask.org

5-Day Clubs – www.5dayclubs.com

Club DJ – www.clubdj.ca

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