

Friday, November 25, 2011

Dear friend of River's Edge,



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It's almost Christmas and Christmas is possible because Jesus engaged with His creation to make a way for you and all humanity to have eternal life. Does that reality ever leave you breathless, like on a cold winter morning when you first step outside? It should! Just imagine the love, sacrifice and surrendering that was necessary for Jesus to come into the world as a babe and to later give His life as your Saviour. It is an image that is so much more than a nativity scene in front of a church or on a card! It's the image of forgiveness and hope!

River's Edge ministries continue to offer hope and forgiveness to more people than ever! **This past fiscal year over 7,150 people were here and since the summer 2,873 others will have been at camp by the New Year.** All guests have the chance to draw closer to Jesus Christ as a result of the sacrifices made by staff, volunteers, and ministry partners. Some labor, some pray, some offer their expertise and some give, but everyone does what they can to make it possible for more and more lives to be impacted with an encounter with Jesus!

Your prayer partnership and financial investment is making a way for every encounter to be a Jesus moment. Whether school children, families at camp, church retreats or single moms with their kids, ***your engagement made it possible!*** Would you consider helping these people have a River's Edge experience by continuing your investment commitments with us through a year end "***Foundation***" financial gift?

The camp again made significant investments in upgrading our facilities. We are committed to creating quality spaces and places to provide guests with experiences that will last a lifetime. Improvements included the riding arena and barn, enhancements to Adventure Camp, brand new entry and washroom upgrades to the Activity Centre, and starting the construction of the drinking water treatment plant and infrastructure projects. The camp's exceptional facilities are a valuable part in how people encounter Jesus and the facilities form the foundation for all of River's Edge ministries.

The Christmas "***Foundation***" goal for this year is \$50,000. These funds will help stabilize the camp's current financial 'foundation' for the present and future development plans and form the initial 'footings' for what we believe God is calling us to fulfill in 2012. Your help can create a firm 'foundation' for our development and ministry impact.

All gifts received by December 31st will be eligible for tax receipting for 2011. Simply complete and return the enclosed form or contact the office directly to solidify your decision. Every gift moves the camp closer to seeing more Jesus encounters by those who will be a part of River's Edge in 2012. We expect to see close to 7,700 people here!

Merry Christmas and may you know the hope of the season – Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour!

Yours on behalf of those we serve,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harold Cooper".

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P.S. Why not plan to visit the camp for the **Cowboy Country Christmas Dec 11th** or visit in the New Year. We'd love to show you the place and some of our hospitality. Have coffee or a meal with us! **It's our treat; just call to let us know you're coming!**



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"A natural setting for a supernatural experience!"

I want to help create *Christmas Memories* at camp this year! Here is my gift to ensure that River's Edge can continue to offer the finest Christian experience possible to all its guests and campers in 2012.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Cheques to be payable to: River's Edge Camp.



I have enclosed my Christmas Gift of \$ _____ *(See specifics on the other side!)*

I won't be contributing to this project but would like to continue receiving information.

Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Spouse: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov.: _____ Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Thank you for your generous gift!

Please charge my _____ Visa _____ MasterCard Card # _____

Expiry _____ Name on Card: _____ Signature _____

Making Christmas Memories

Every Ministry Zone is partnered to every activity that takes place at camp. By supporting one, you in fact help everyone! From the camper or family needing Jesus, to the staff that share His love.
Together we can do better!

MINISTRY ZONE	AMOUNT
Hospitality Ministries (helps nourish our guests)	_____
Camper Subsidy Program (helps send kids to camp)	_____
Staff Bursaries (helps fund our staff)	_____
Site Ministries (helps maintain our structures and play spaces)	_____
Legacy Projects (helps build our future buildings & resources)	_____
Administrative Ministries (helps make it all come together)	_____

TOTAL _____

Your tax deductible gift, received or post-marked before January 1st, 2012 will be receipted for the 2011 taxation year.

Designated gifts to River's Edge programs or projects will be used as designated, with the understanding that, when the need has been met, or cannot be completed, the remaining contributions designated for the program or project will be firstly used for a similar purpose, and secondly where needed most, upon the approval of the Board of Directors.

