

## Why Work at Church Camps?

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While looking in the ROAM historical files, I found that working at church camps was initially the primary ROAM focus. Camps obviously had RV spaces readily available. More importantly, research showed that more than half of the leaders in the church answered their call to the ministry while attending a church camp.

Recently, at Kansas City First Church Faith Promise Weekend, this premise was validated. Missionary speaker, Dan Hopkins, serving in Dominica, mentioned a couple of times, how he was converted, sanctified and called to the ministry at a church camp. He did not say which district camp it was, but chances are many of you ROAM members have worked at that camp.

Realizing what an impact the camp had on his life, he made construction of a church camp in Dominica a high priority. They now have a beautiful camp replicating the ministry of those in the United States.

*J. Harold Allen, executive director*

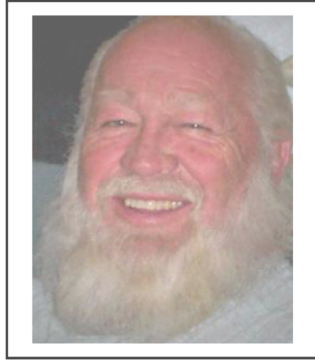
### **God Works In Mysterious Ways**

**By Jean Morford, vice chairperson**

God works in mysterious ways to accomplish his will. In March, we went to Rolling Hills Conference Center and Campground in Calera, AL, to help with general maintenance and in the kitchen as needed. We had intended to stay through April but knew they also had a great need for kitchen help during the busy camping months of June and July.

Duane was having some health issues and we found a good doctor that we had much confidence in and determined it would be wise for us to remain in Alabama until the first of August. During his recuperation, he was allowed to work as he could but I found a real blessing to be able to help in the kitchen. What a joy it was to work with Teresa, Tami and Kara to feed hungry kids and adults! We saw firsthand, the work God was doing in the lives of boys and girls from first grade through high school through the summer camp experience. God is doing amazing things at Rolling Hills and in our Nazarene camps throughout the country. Let me encourage you to become involved in doing what you can to help at a camp this year whether during the winter in preparing for next year's camping season or being fortunate enough to work at a camp when their work is the heaviest next summer.

*“Once and for all” means “It is finished.” Just as the apostle Paul describes in Romans 6:*



## *Winkle's Wrinkle*

### **Post Operation Update on Mert**

Chairman Mert Winkle recently underwent two surgeries relating to cancer on the lower part of one leg.

Mert's wife, Sandie, reports that Mert is still recuperating from the recent operation. He had hoped to have the skin grafting done by now, but the wound is not healing as the doctors predicted. Perhaps he can have the skin graft operation next week. He is able to be up and around, but needs to keep his leg elevated as much as possible. Knowing Mert, he still plans to conduct the upcoming quarterly board meeting this week.

Please remember to keep Mert and Sandie in your prayers during this difficult time.

“Now, in view of the fact that we died once and for all with Christ, we believe that we shall also live by means of Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised up from the dead, those who are dead no longer dies. Death no longer exercises lordship: for the death He died, He died with respect to our sinful nature once and for all (Wuest Translation)”.

The Bible says that Jesus endured the cross because of the joy that was set before Him. The cross was not the joy; the cross was a part of the process He had to go through to get to the joy. I think Jesus had His eye on reconciling us back to fellowship with God, not only because He loved us, but because He wanted to do the will of His father. God wanted His relationship with man restored and this is what Jesus had before Him as He suffered to the end. Though many do not acknowledge it, the joy we long for is to walk in the presence of God continually. “We have, therefore, been crucified with Christ, never the less we live; yet it is not we who live, but now it is Christ that lives within us, and the life we now live in the flesh we live by faith in the Son of God (see Galatians 2:20)”. The life that we now live in the flesh we are to live by faith in the Son of God. It seems to me that if we do not have faith in the Son of

God we can't see beyond the veil of our own mortality, but since we do we can see the glory of God at work in our lives. God came over into our realm and became flesh (through His Son Jesus Christ) in order to give us the ability to see over into His realm of living by having His Spirit within us. Jesus had to take our sinful nature of fallen man in order to save us to the uttermost (see Hebrews 7:25).

If God had sent Jesus to earth to set up a natural kingdom, the heart of the human problem would not have been dealt with sufficiently, and the endless cycle of sin and death would have continued. We needed a new heart, a new start. We, therefore must die before we can live. We have been given a new spirit from God that is perfect, which we struggle to live out. We must strive to live out of the strength of the life that God has placed in our inner man. This can only be done as we realize our fallen sinful nature has already been completely dealt with through Christ death on the cross.

Just some thoughts that I have been working on while I prepare for surgery, building my faith and trust in Him.

*Mert Winkle  
Chairman*

### ***Welcome New Members—Aug-Sep***

*Eugene and Colleen Lindgren  
Darrell and Mary Weatherford  
Dale and Judith Foster*

*Manhattan, KS  
Commerce, GA  
Gardner, KS*

## Recently Elected Board Members

ROAM active members, in their annual balloting, elected three couples to serve on the ROAM board January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Each couple serves as regional representatives as noted below.

### Richard and Kathy Detterline—Eastern Regional Representatives (ENC)



Rich and Kathy Detterline live in Pennsylvania just outside of Valley Forge. They have been married 43 years and have one grown son who lives in the area. Rich retired from the Railroad and is presently a Consultant for the US Navy. As charter members of Fairview Village Church of the Nazarene, they have served in many positions. They were the Work and Witness Coordinators and traveled around the world on projects.

They joined ROAM in 2004 when they served on their first ROAM project. They served on the ROAM board from 2006 to 2009 as the Eastern Region representatives. They work projects five months a year traveling with their Westie, Mr. McDougal, and enjoy every opportunity. They say they are the happiest when they are on a project, making a difference in the lives of those they touch.

They have worked in four camps for the Katrina disaster relief and several years at the Genesis Christian School in Florida.

### Mark and Wilma Farley—Central Regional Representatives (ONU)



Mark attended Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, IL. He is now a retired Funeral Director. Wilma is a retired RN, graduating from Rockford Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Rockford, IL. They have been married 47 years; have two children, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. In 1996, they retired and moved to Carthage, MO from Venice, FL.

Mark enjoys working on old Fords and Wilma enjoys gardening.

Both are active in the Carthage Church of the Nazarene currently leading the JOY group (Prime Timers). They also volunteer at the local Crisis Center.

Wilma states, "Our RVing started when our children were young in the 70's and we began volunteering with a Christian RV group in the late 90's and with ROAM since 2005."

Their last project was at the Mash Unit, New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, Casa Grande, AZ.

### Jim and Joy Stewart—Southwest Regional Representatives (PLNU)



Jim and Joy Stewart live in Mountain Home, Texas and have been married for 6 years. Jim has been self-employed most of his career as a produce broker. Joy retired after 24 years in elementary education.

Shortly after their marriage, Jim introduced Joy to ROAM when they became involved in the Katrina hurricane ministry. Jim was in charge of work projects and volunteers while Joy worked in the distribution center. Jim has been a lifetime member of the Church of the Nazarene. He was instrumental in starting SWAT (Servants With A Tool), which is still a very active and vital mission organization in both North Carolina and Texas. Jim was one of the founding board members of ROAM and was actively involved in its creation. Jim, as past president of SWAT, and his wife, Joy, will now have more time and energy to devote to ROAM.

## Project Reports – June/July 2011

### Philip and Alice Bough

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#### Did You Know...

*that ROAMers reported more than 19,000 donated hours to worthy projects in the past 12 months? And we know of several who have not reported. Had they done so the total number of reported hours donated would be considerably more.*

#### Indian Lake, MI – June 2011

##### Philip worked on these projects

- 1) HVAC enclosed on back of snack shack
- 2) Installed door locks and door closures
- 3) Repaired yard drinking fountain
- 4) Cut out top of 55 gallon drums
- 5) Fitted 10" vanity top in the bathroom
- 6) Repaired plumbing in dining room wash area
- 7) Helped Conrad with electrical in dining room

##### Alice

Dining Room – As baker for camp meals

#### Camp Camby, IN - July 2011

##### Philip

- 1) Power washed and painted railing for the walkway to the lodge
- 2) Took down/set up chairs as needed
- 3) Repaired park benches, toilets, and urinals

##### Alice

- 1) Worked in the kitchen as needed
- 2) Helped with selling snack shack tickets
- 3) Served during the ordination reception

#### Some winter work projects are filling up fast!

Have you reserved your place(s) to work this fall and winter? Some of the venues are filling up fast so we suggest that you get your request in soon to the ROAM office for confirmation.

Email: [office@rvsonamission.org](mailto:office@rvsonamission.org) or phone if you don't have email: 816.941.7711.

It's a good time to go with the recent fuel price reductions. However, if you prefer to leave your RV at home and still donate your labor, several camps are offering rooms where you can stay instead of bringing your RV. These churches and camps need your help more than ever during this financial crisis.