

# CANAAN LAND CHRISTIAN RETREAT 2020 WINTER NEWSLETTER



KEN AND LINDA STUTZMAN, Canaan Land Hosts and caretakers, reside in Blue Bird. We are grateful for all they do.



CANAAN LAND is embarking on a Summer Intern Program. Please meet our first Official Intern, Abigail Francis. We are grateful to have Abigail serve here. See more details on page 7.



**NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE  
YOUR 2020 SUMMER  
RESERVATION**

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# FAMILY CAMPERS

Some Happy Canaan Land Campers from 2019

Ministry families need special time together and our prayer is that your family can grow closer together and closer to the Lord by breaking away from your routine and being in His mountains.







Every FAMILY REUNION is different. Some go all out with special celebration days, some go hiking every day and some just want to finally rest and catch up on where each family is in their lives! If your family is in the ministry, Canaan Land could be a great reunion spot for you.



# FAMILY REUNIONS







# COUPLES FIND TIME TO BE ALONE



A cozy BIRDHOUSE cabin might be just the place for QUIET TIME in the mountains! DOUBLE BIRDHOUSES now have a shower! Even if you are grandparents with a family reunion you can still find time to be alone!!



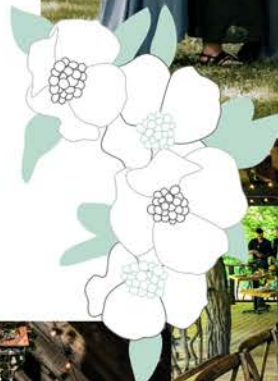
You might be thinking about leaving the kids at home and taking a 'SECOND HONEYMOON'! Just let us know!!





# A WEDDING

CANAAN LAND is not really set up to host weddings but our Florida pastor's son asked and how could we say no. It turned out beautiful.





# THURSDAY NIGHT COOKOUT AND BONFIRE

All Campers are invited to a Thursday night cookout at the Pavilion, followed by a bonfire, singing, and roasting marshmallows.

Bring an instrument if you have one and join in the fun!!



Ken and Linda Stutzman will be your hosts and lead the singing. A visiting bear is possible. They like marshmallows







THE PAVILION is not only for Thursday night Bar-b-que, but for morning coffee, ladies tea time, birthday parties, and family waterfront lunches





# FINDERS KEEPERS

## GEM MINE



Each camper gets a bucket of mining dirt where you will probably find beautiful or interesting stones. Trade them with other campers or take them home to share with friends! ...Or maybe make a necklace or keychain in the Craft Shop.





# FUN RIDES: TRAIN, BUBBA BEAR & HENRY

CANAAN LAND WILDERNESS RAILROAD is hopefully running this year. Check the Activities Board in the Chapel for day and time.

Also check day and time for the Bubba Bear Pinzgauer ride into the wilderness and the Henry ride around the campus.





# JUST HAVING FUN...



You can always find something to do at Canaan Land...or just walk around the campus and visit with other campers and share your joy!





# ...HAVING MORE FUN!



The tree house is behind Antioch but available for all kids.



HIKING is very popular. Take a hiking map with you and your cell phone.



The Craft Shop is a popular place for fun. Check Activities Board for days and time when the Craft Shop will be open. Bring a favorite gem stone from mining and make a necklace.





# WILDWOOD PUTT PUTT

Get ready for some fun at Canaan Land's Wild West Putt Putt Course. A 10 hole miniature golf course.

Parents, please supervise the kids, and maybe challenge them to a game or two.



# NEW!! GAGA BALL

The GAGA BALL Ring was a hopping spot last summer. If you haven't played, its similar to Dodge Ball. The kids love it!



# NEW!! CARPET BALL

A Carpet Ball table was donated to Canaan Land by a previous camper, David Spence. It was built by Merrill Holt who built the Ark and it's located in the chapel. We hear they are lot of fun!



# PING PONG





# NEW AT CANAAN LAND



"For I know the *plans*  
I have for you,"  
declares the LORD,  
"plans to *prosper* and  
not to harm you,  
plans to give you *hope*  
and a *Future*."  
Jeremiah 29:11

COME ENJOY THE  
PARTY LIGHTS



NEW OUTDOOR LIGHTING at the Pavilion.





# BETHEL- A NEW FAMILY CABIN



(FORMERLY THE CARETAKERS CABIN)



# 3 BEDROOM 2 BATH CABIN





# PROJECTS

There is always a project or two going on at Canaan Land. Our staff (and volunteer campers) are busy trying to make Canaan Land a better place and safer experience for you and your family! If you have any suggestions of how we could improve, please let us know.







EAST BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS come every Spring and get lots done in preparation for the summer season. Thank you East Bay!!

# Thank you EAST BAY and FX Volunteers

The FX (Faith Extreme) Team out of Faith Baptist Church in Florida, sponsored by Sean & Dawn Fielder, are welcome Volunteers. They also get a lot done during their week.







# Bob Jones University Volunteers





# SO GRATEFUL FOR THE HELPING HANDS OF CAMPERS



THANK YOU CAMPERS for your help around camp. Our goal, other than keeping Canaan Land cleaned up, safe and operating well, is that doing a camp chore might cause our campers to feel more like Canaan Land is "their" camp.

If it weren't for all these happy helpers, Canaan Land would probably not be able to operate.

Doing a chore with the kids might be fun and there's always hydraulic firewood splitting that the guys seem to like.





# THANK YOU STAFF VOLUNTEERS!!!



many  
**THANKS**  
to you

Canaan Land is able to continue operating free of charge to ministry families as a result of the kindness of folks like these that willingly donate their time to serve at Canaan Land for weeks and sometimes months! Please let us know if you would like to volunteer.

(Maybe even through the winter)



Thank you to all these big hearted people who step in with a smile when help is needed.

May God bless you!!







SKYLAR AND JENNY FORD and their family have been serving at Canaan Land for several years and Lord willing they will be back this coming summer.

# SUMMER INTERN PROGRAM

Ken and Linda will supervise the Intern Program. They have many years in ministry and look forward to overseeing young people who have a heart to serve the Lord.

If your teen has a serious interest in camping ministry, this might be a good springboard for them. If they are interested, please email and we will be happy to send you details and the forms to fill out.



Abigail Francis, from Pensacola will serve all summer as our first official Intern. Three weeks will be a minimum stay for interns. A birdhouse cabin will be provided and a small salary.





# ANNOUNCING CANAAN LAND'S 2019 CAMPER OF THE YEAR...



## CONGRATULATIONS, FRECKLES!!



# GOD HAS SUPPLIED...

We are overwhelmed with the way God cares for His ministry. There are many people He has used over the 33 years Canaan Land has been in operation to supply needs. We could never list them all. But we would like to mention a few from just this past year.

We made the need for gutters on two of our cabins known and Marshall Clark, "Seemless Gutters" in Cashiers, came forward and donated the materials AND sent his men up to install them!  
God bless you Marshall!

The electronic ignition control system failed on the train and after the supplier, LOFA Industries, read our website, they felt lead to donate a new 800.00 control system!



A long time friend of Canaan Land's from Florida, Josh Easter, has volunteered for years as Canaan Land's IT person. This year he has donated his talent and expertise to set up a sophisticated CCTV closed circuit video security system with 6 cameras, so we are able to view and record activity at Canaan Land.



Audie McCall with PINEY MOUNTAIN SAWMILL in Pisgah Forest has been a huge blessing to Canaan Land for years, giving us major discounts on our building supplies.



JEFF HAYWOOD (and Sue) is a local businessman, who is on Canaan Land's Advisory Board has been a huge blessing for years. He has helped in so many ways from landscaping to security and is very knowledgeable in so many areas! Thank you Jeff, for your watch care over Canaan Land.



# As Canaan Land continues...



*"As Canaan Land continues to grow and have more and more guests each summer, we are grateful that our family is happily participating in the operations, maintenance, and support of the Retreat. Here are some faces you might be seeing more of around camp.*

*We are also grateful for many others who volunteer their time and talents to keep Canaan Land operating for those of you who serve the Lord every day!*

*If the Lord wills, Canaan Land will be going on for many years to come, by the hands and hearts of these and many other kind and giving people"*

*Joyfully in Christ,*

*George and Nancy Corbett*



STEVE AND KINSEY YOUNG - Stratton, Emma and Carter



JOHN & BECKY CORBETT- Dean, Clay Claire, Grace & Caleb



**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO OUR CANAAN LAND FAMILY**