Greetings from Hartstone Bible Camp



Left: Courtney, Milly, Piper & Jens Tulip

Above: Julie & Dave, Stetson, Zoey, Darcy & Maylee Dick



Holiday Newsletter 2014

"For I have come to have much joy and comfort in your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, brother." - Philemon 1:7

Dear friend and partner in the ministry of Hartstone Bible Camp,

Borrowing from the words of the apostle Paul to Philemon, what joy fills my heart to see all that God has done in Christ through you to His saints. What a privilege it is to see God at work in the lives of His people here at Hartstone. You, by way of your participation and support of this ministry make it possible to allow God's saints to be refreshed.

ANSWERED PRAYERS:

- The Directorship Transition: This has been a wonderful year and I praise God for giving us such a smooth transition. Back in September we had an Open House Celebration where we recognized all that God has done, and is doing at Hartstone and we had a special time to thank the Walkers. It was a very special day in the history of Hartstone. Praise God for Stan and Valeri Walker and their 10 years of faithful service to our Lord.
- The Tulips: The Lord has provided Hartstone with the second couple to help assist in the Maintenance Ministry Position. Jens and Courtney Tulip are no strangers to Hartstone, and they have come back to serve Jesus Christ with us. Praise be to God!

FUTURE NEEDS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

- ★ <u>Water Tanks</u>: We need two new 5,000-gallon water tanks to replace our two 20-year-old small and outdated 2,000-gallon water tanks. We estimate that the cost of each tank with the hardware and excavation will be around \$3,000.
- Remodels: There are two buildings that we would like to remodel when sufficient funds are available which are the Nurse Cabin and the Snack Shack/Staff Laundry room.
- Pave the Entrance Road: If you've driven up to Hartstone lately you will have noticed when coming up the hill on the entrance road that the holes and washboard are getting worse. It's getting harder and harder to maintain. We are not sure of what the cost would be to pave it but we know that it will not be cheap.
- A Chapel: With the River Lodge completed, the next big project that the Hartstone Board of Directors would like to set their sights on is developing a new chapel. This is our top request from camper surveys. The desire of the Board and myself is to have a place of worship that can serve in the exaltation of Jesus Christ.

Hartstone hosted 16 camps this year. We have witnessed the Body of Christ in action as over 150 devoted volunteers served over 825 campers. Hartstone has a wonderful Board of Directors that I feel so privileged to serve under. Together we desire to fulfill our mission statement, which is 'To share Christ's love by serving churches through a camp experience''. This is our desire, to express the love of Jesus Christ so that His saints will be encouraged and that God would be glorified. Please remember Hartstone Bible Camp for any year-end tax-deductible gifts. To God be the glory for His faithful provision through His people. Thank you for your partnership in this ministry, God bless.

Not to us, (Psalm 115)

Dave Dick

Director, Hartstone Bible Camp