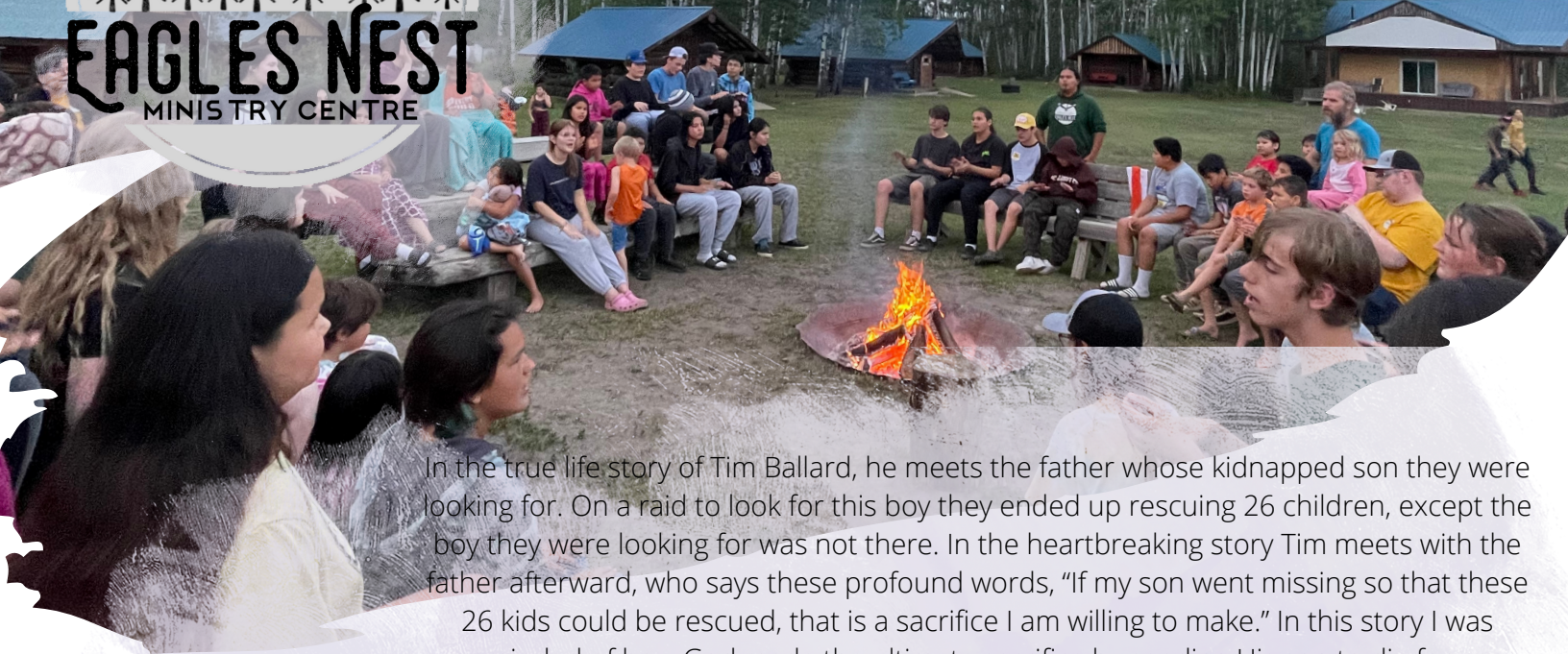


News from the Nest



In the true life story of Tim Ballard, he meets the father whose kidnapped son they were looking for. On a raid to look for this boy they ended up rescuing 26 children, except the boy they were looking for was not there. In the heartbreaking story Tim meets with the father afterward, who says these profound words, "If my son went missing so that these 26 kids could be rescued, that is a sacrifice I am willing to make." In this story I was reminded of how God made the ultimate sacrifice by sending His son to die for us. Romans 5:8, "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us".

As followers of Jesus, daily being conformed to His image, we also face challenges and make sacrifices for the sake of others to make His name known. In our quest to bring the gospel to the nations the devil deceives, the world distracts, and our flesh is weak. We experience all of this throughout a summer through broken down vehicles, behavioral problems, and our own mistakes and weaknesses.

At the end of the summer we celebrate that God's grace carries us and that His word has gone out. In everything that came our way this summer we made a huge effort to pray preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and show compassion to many hurting families and individuals. We leave it all on the table and now trust that God by His Spirit will cause that precious seed to grow in the hearts and minds of everyone who passed through our way. As winter sets in we continue with discipling teens that came to camp, supporting church planting efforts, and visiting communities as well as our annual Christmas bag delivery.

And then in a flash it's back to planning summer camp!!

In the Bible, Joshua, who was on the verge of conquering territory that was already purchased and won was told, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; Do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

My prayer is that for the sake of Jesus name you will persevere with us through supporting us in prayer, finances and volunteering!

~Dwayne and Sharlyn Dyck



**From the
Directors**

Our Summer at Eagle's Nest Ministry Centre!



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Beaver First Nation



Bechoko (NWT)



Teen Week



Fort Vermilion and North & South Tall Cree

Testimonies from our Summer Staff



This summer we felt the Spirit leading and made the decision to step out in faith and decided to move our little family out to Eagles Nest Ministry Center to serve for the summer, which was a 6 week commitment.

A verse that we felt was an accurate description of our summer at Eagles Nest, was Proverbs 3:5-8

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.”

We went into our summer really not sure of what to expect or how we were going to be used. We just knew we were going to serve.

Our first weeks there were staff training and Teen camp. We, along with Rylan’s mom did the cooking for that 3 day teen camp. On the first full week of kids camp and it started off with a huge blow as on Tuesday I found out I had lost my baby, I was 10 weeks into my pregnancy. There were a few other issues we had as well, so it was a tough way to start the season. Never the less, God was good through it all, my miscarriage went as good as it possibly could have, it was an incredibly hard week, but God was so good in so many ways.

The next week we were back in the game and Rylan was helping with maintenance projects, and I was helping with administrative things when I could (when Piper would let me). The 3rd week of camp found me teaching bible stories to the kids and being known as “Kukum” amongst the camp. Kukum means grandma in Cree and I love it because it’s a name that means a lot to some of these kids, Kukums have special places in kids hearts. One boy asked “If you’re a Kukum does that mean I can hug you?!” And another asked “Have you ever given someone a lickin?!” So me answering “Yes” to both questions earned me their respect and love.

Overall, we were really blessed with the opportunity to serve at camp this summer!



Hello, I'm Jamila Froese and this was my second summer in the role of office administration here at Eagles Nest. I have been involved at camp since 2018 with this summer being my fifth full summer. This ministry and these children are very dear to my heart, and each summer impacts me in new ways. I learn new things about myself and am always spiritually encouraged working alongside different brothers and sisters in Christ. It's special to help play a part in reaching these children with the love of Jesus. One highlight for me has been witnessing the growth in the lives of certain campers over the course of the years I have known them. Hearing more of them take interest in the gospel and the salvation testimonies of some has been incredibly rewarding. Each summer has its fun and also challenging moments, but within that God has proven himself faithful each time. To God be the Glory!



Supporting the Church Winter 2023/24

There are many opportunities to encourage believers in FN communities. Your support, through prayer and volunteering, helps us make the most of these opportunities. We operate throughout the winter in a variety of ways. Here are some areas we are investing in this winter.

~Our annual Christmas Bag delivery is a wonderful way for staff to reconnect with campers, and to see the communities the kids come from. We will be delivering 3000 gift bags and some Christmas hampers in 10 different communities.

~Youth and Kids programs in various communities as time and opportunity allows.

~Faith Gospel Church in Fort Vermilion holds an AWANA meeting for kids every Thursday evening, and it's a great time to share God's Truth with them!

~Message of Hope Fellowship is building a church in John D'or. We have been assisting with the construction and are excited to come alongside this group in the ministry!

~ Hosting Gospel Meetings and Conferences

Fox Lake Evacuation

In May when the Paskwa fire tore through the community of Fox Lake we became an evacuation centre. We served many families who were able to stay at a peaceful place with plenty of opportunities for their kids to play.

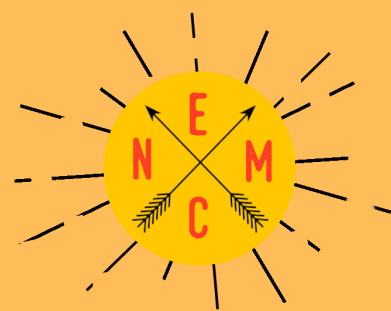
We are so thankful for the relationships we were able to build with families from this community. John and Jane Okomow with Okomow ministries came alongside us and provided evenings of preaching and singing in Cree as well as offering prayer for anyone. We trust that God will be able to use this for His own glory in bringing souls to Himself. We want to send a huge thank you to the various churches and organizations that assisted, donated and served during this time!



John & Jane Okomow Singing



Canoe Races during Evacuation



Eagle's Nest Ministry Centre exists to provide a place for counselling, training, retreats, and a variety of camps to support ministries that are focused on building thriving Christian fellowships in First Nations communities. This will be accomplished by bringing together local churches and Christian organizations to support ministries that are focused on First Nations communities.

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