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# CALLLED TO BE HOLY

A MOMENT IN LEVITICUS WITH BRUCE

My love for studying the Law (the first 5 books of the Bible) started about 3 years ago. However, since then I have been drawn to the book of Leviticus. I love meditating on the passages and seeing how Jesus fulfilled that part of the Law and how it applies to us today. I have just finished reading through another commentary on Leviticus called "The Story of God Commentary" by Jerry Shepherd and it has been one of the best commentaries I have found to date. I am sure by now the other

staff here at camp are tired of hearing the latest thing I have learned from Leviticus, and I was kind of surprised when I was asked to write a couple of paragraphs on what I have learned.

One of the major themes in the book of Leviticus is God's holiness and how He has called the Israelites and us to be holy as He is holy. To be set apart from the rest of the world - to live in a way that reflects the light of God and not the ways of the world - so that we



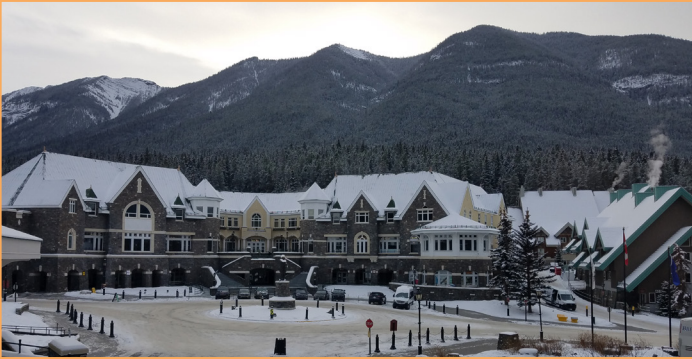
may enter His presence and have fellowship with Him. We are called to be holy like the priest that would enter the holy place to change out the showbread on every Sabbath and then partake and have a meal with our Saviour in that holy place.

As I study Leviticus more and more, I see how Jesus fulfilled the Law perfectly and in every way. His words become so clear when He says I have come to fulfill the law not to abolish it. I don't have room here in this article to show you every way He has fulfilled the Law, but here are just a few. Jesus is the high priest who officiates the offerings of the sacrifice, yet He is the sacrifice that is to be offered. He is both the atonement cover which the priest would sprinkle the blood on and the priest that does the sprinkling of the blood, yet at the same time He is the sacrifice and it is His blood being sprinkled. He is the unblemished lamb, yet He is the lamb that bore all the blemishes and impurities of those who offer. Jesus is fully God, yet at the same time, He is the one that is devoted and delivered over to destruction. And in doing this and so much more He fulfilled the law and provided salvation for all those who believe so that we can have that relationship with our holy God.

**Bruce McCaskell** – Maintenance Manager

## CAMP CONFERENCE

In November we had the chance to stay in a castle! A castle you say? Well yep, pretty much. Our team had the privilege of being able to attend the National CCI conference at the Fairmont Banff Springs hotel in Banff Alberta! CCI stands for Christian Camping International and they are an organization that works to connect Christian camps all over Canada and the world. Their mission is to connect camps and encourage and equip them in their camp ministry. At the conference we had the opportunity to go to many different sessions on all kinds of topics – anything from kitchen-related topics, leadership development, coping with the pandemic and your mental health and learning how to live and minister in a world that is quickly growing more and more wicked. The theme for this conference was Solid Rock – reminding us that our Jesus Christ is our Solid Rock and when we are rooted in Him we will not be shaken.



**Zack, what was your favourite thing about the conference, the trip as a whole? What is one thing you learned from the conference?**

*"Something that I took from the CCI (Solid Rock) conference is the importance of being grounded in God's word. That's the one thing that all my breakout sessions had in common."*

*"My favourite part of the CCI Conference experience was getting to see and fellowship with other camps from all over Canada. My favourite part of the Banff experience was getting to do and see a lot of our Heavenly Father's creation with my Pine Ridge Bible Camp (PRBC) family."*



## BANFF

After the conference, we stayed at a B&B in Canmore for a few extra days to connect and bond as a team and obviously enjoy the lovely scenery! We went hiking, soaked in the hot springs, rode up a gondola to the top of a mountain and will now never be able to look at a snow globe in the same way as we did before... (inside joke ;))

## KIDZ ZONE

On January 18th we started an after-school program called Kidz Zone in Buffalo Narrows at the Twin Lakes school. We are partnering with the local church in Buffalo and are thankful for their desire to connect with the kids in their community. We have games to play, singing and Bible story time and of course snack time! It's our hope that through this Kidz Zone kids will be able to have a safe place to stay and have fun and learn about the Lord.

## INTRODUCING Angel



This year we have had the joy of having Angel Sylvestre join our team as an intern! She brings a lot of fun and laughter to the team and we're grateful to have her here. It's always good to have another buddy to drink coffee with! ;) So far, she's been taking on our social media role, staying connected with donors through writing thank you cards and doing any and all odd jobs with a positive attitude!

### Angel, tell us a little about yourself:

*My name is Angel Sylvestre and I'm 21 years old. I grew up in a small town called Dillon near Buffalo Narrows, SK. I have 6 siblings and one niece and a nephew, who was just recently born on January 9th.*

### How did you first hear about camp?

*I found out about camp first when I came with my auntie to pick up one of my older cousins when I was 8 years old. It looked like a beautiful, fun place so I told my auntie that I wanted to come to this camp. She told me I could go when I was older. So, when I was around 10 or 11 years old, my sister, my younger cousin and I started coming to PRBC. That's when I found out I love it here! I've been coming to camp since I was 10 or 11 years old. I went from a camper to LITe (leader in training) to staff, and now I am an intern here!*

### What is your favourite thing about interning so far?

*My favourite thing about interning so far is living here at the camp, spending time with the team and getting to know them more and helping wherever and in whatever I can.*

### And one last thing, what is one thing you've learned so far while interning here?

*I've learned during my internship how to serve the Lord by putting our faith into action by serving with a kind heart.*







# Dining Hall Update

In our last PLANK newsletter, we wrote about our crazy Polar Plunge fundraiser and how God used it to supply the funds needed to get our furnaces installed. We also invited you to join us for our Grand Opening held in May of 2022. Since that newsletter, work on the dining hall has been continuing a little at a time.

Then, just after Christmas, we had enough funds come in so that we could order materials to finish the lower level. In January a work crew from a church in Manitoba came up to do the work! The guys were able to install the flooring in the chapel, the suspended ceiling in the whole lower level, install our metal fire doors, put up trim and baseboard, carpet the stage, build shelving in the walk-in cooler, and so much more!

We are super thankful for everyone who continues to give, pray and volunteer to get this new building completely finished! There are a few things left that we hope to complete yet this winter and spring: lighting in the lower level, cabinets for the first aid room, installing the remainder of our doors (we are waiting for them to arrive), decks outside, stucco on part of the outside walls and retaining walls, putting in a chlorine regulator for our water system and installing a fireplace in the dining room.

If you are interested in being part of seeing this project completed, ask us how you can be involved!

**Tabitha Wahlstrom** – *Camp Director*



# Upcoming Camp Dates

**We have our 2023 camp dates and staff applications up online!**

If you are interested in coming as staff for a week or two or the whole summer give us a shout! We are looking for cabin leaders, cooks, LITe leaders, maintenance, lifeguards, camp grandparents and more.

Find our staff applications online at:  
[www.pineridgebiblecamp.ca/staff-application](http://www.pineridgebiblecamp.ca/staff-application)

**Teen Camp: July 3 - 7** (*ages 13 - 17*)

**Jr. Teen: July 10 - 14** (*ages 11 - 13*)

**Scamper Camp: Aug. 17 - 19** (*ages 7 - 9*)

**LITe Training: July 17-19** (*for LITes*)

**Jr. Camp Week 1: July 24 - 28** (*ages 8 - 12*)

**Jr. Camp Week 2: July 31- Aug. 4** (*ages 8 - 12*)

**Jr. Camp Week 3: Aug. 7 - 11** (*ages 8 - 12*)

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