

*21 years of camping and God gives Midland Ministries yet another miracle.
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Websters dictionary tells us that the word "miracle" has a specific meaning. It says: 1. an event or action that apparently contradicts known scientific laws. 2. a remarkable thing. Well, if we look at these two definitions probably just about everything we do is a miracle. Perhaps it may be a young person who for the first time in their life, understand who Jesus Christ is and decides to invite Him into their life. This definitely contradicts science. Visiting a student about what their future holds. A caring adult shares with them what Christ wants for their life. A family that is falling apart, seeks help from one of our staff and the father realizes, through God's Word, that He is responsible for his family, and decides to take charge and responsibility, and we get to see this family restored. This is definitely a remarkable thing. Maybe it is a student who comes to realize, that hiding Scripture in their heart, is not only a fun and competitive event, but it will change their lives. Maybe it is that youth pastor that does all he can to get a kid to camp, and he gets to see a changed life. I guess you would call these miracles.

It seems like only yesterday that Pastor Larry Gray told me that his congregation wanted to give us their church to become our St. Joseph, Missouri headquarters. I prayed for 14 years for that to become a reality in 2003. This was truly a remarkable thing. How many of you, know of any church that has given their building away? God has used this gift, over and over again, as Pastor Gray's vision he saw in his sanctuary, teenagers everywhere, has become a reality in our auditorium, time and time again as we have had the opportunity to minister to literally hundreds of students since 2004. This event was definitely beyond scientific explanation. God's people doing His will no matter the cost. Choosing to ignore the thoughts of the world, to do God's.

Miracle time again for Midland Ministries. I am blown away by the grace, mercy, and gifts from God, that He chooses to allow Midland Ministries to be a part of. In the summer of 1990, we had just finished a week of camp in Kansas. We knew that we could not continue at this camp. So, my wife, Johnny Williams, and I visited with Gary Whitmer about using their camp in the summer of 1991. Gary was the camp manager at the time of Inspiration Hills Christian Union Camp. We did use the camp the following year and used it for the next 21 years. On August 18th, 2012, after several years of discussion, at the Christian Union of Missouri Annual Conference, Gary, now the Inspiration Hills Camp Board Chairman, presented a motion to the conference delegates that they pass the responsibility and ownership of their camp on to Midland Ministries. With an 80% vote in favor of doing so, Inspiration Hills Christian Union Camp became the Midland Ministries Camp and Conference Center. It was such a joy to see God working in this way.

Camp Management. When I first mentioned the camp possibility to my wife, she said you must have a person there you can trust. God provided us with an incredible, or should I say, a miraculous, camp manager in Walt Brown, along with his wonderful wife Melissa. Walt and Melissa have been coming to Super C for years as volunteers. As they turned the corner coming into camp, they would look at each other, and say we're "home". Now they will be able to truly say that. God is good ... All the time ... All the time ... God is good.

Please pray with us as we embark on this journey with the Lord. We are seeking God's provision of \$24,000 per year, or \$2,000 per month in additional giving from God's people. Currently the Christian Union churches are helping to support the camp in the area of \$18,000 - \$20,000 a year. As of January 1, 2013 this giving will cease. We must make up the difference. Perhaps you could pray along with us and take some "ownership" of our camp by becoming a monthly partner with us, supporting our Camp & Conference Center.

Together, with your support and prayers we are able to have ministry like camp and to see God do miraculous things through us, that will impact lives not only now, but for all eternity!

May God Bless you and thanks for being a part of our team!