

POLAND EVANGELICAL MISSION

July, 2010



Camping Season is in Full Swing in Poland! *Program enters its 33rd year of changing lives.*

So, what do you do when the government says “you can’t”, but God says “you must”? You get creative. That’s what Jan Tomczyk did 33 years ago when God laid it on his heart to start a camp. Now, well into its third decade of making disciples, Camp Eden has survived Communism, managed in spite of a perennially poor economy, and introduced thousands of young people to the message of the gospel.

To the right is the camp schedule for the summer, so you can pray for each camp as it takes place.

- June 26-July 6, Youth Camp, age 13+
- July 7-16, Youth Camp, age 14+
- July 18-24, Artist Camp, age 14+
- July 26-August 4, Children’s Camp, Age 8-13
- August 6-August 13, Youth Camp, age 14+
- August 15-August 24, Children’s Camp, age 8-13

Together We Can “Seal the Deal”!

This acre and a half wheat field is important to Camp Eden’s future growth. It stands between the camp’s main lodge and worship center. It’s purchase is very important for these reasons:

- It will help guard against encroachment. The owner is interested in selling, and it is important that Eden obtain ownership, rather than developers.
- It will provide needed space for future housing.
- It will guarantee important space for athletic fields, essential to Eden’s future development.

Currently we have raised \$10,000, with another \$10,000 to go. Could you help with a special gift above what you already give to the ministry? If so, please let us hear from you soon.



Another Camp for Which to Pray: The camp at Jastrzebie

This camp in the south of Poland is both a local church and a camp, pastored and directed by Andrzej Karzelek. It offers both children’s and youth camps, as well as winter camping.

Located on what was a farm in the gorgeous hill region close to the Czech Republic border, it is a newer ministry effort that is growing and developing it’s Godly influence.

Introductions and Testimonies

Meet (L to R) Basia Sieger and Paulina Baranska. Both of these young women came to faith in Christ during their high school days. Both are now in university, and faithfully following him.

Basia's story. When Basia found Christ she was soundly ridiculed by her family. They tried to turn her away from her newly found faith. By God's grace she found a local evangelical church (a difficult thing to do in Poland), found Camp Eden, and grew in her relationship with Jesus. She now is a business major, and last month followed the Lord in the obedience of water baptism.



Paulina's story. Paulina's family and friends also did not understand her new relationship with Christ. She was forbidden to attend a protestant church. However, God gave her a few friends for fellowship, and she too, discovered Camp Eden, where she could be nurtured in her faith. She has just completed her second year in university. Both she and Basia were baptized on the same day in the same church.



Basia a moment before her baptism.



Baptismal candidates awaiting baptism.



Paulina as she is baptized.

Meet Jacob (Kuba) Wiercinski.

Kuba came to a Christian camp so he could learn English, not so he could meet Christ. God had other plans. Kuba accepted Christ, and has been growing in his faith since that day.



As a follower of Christ, Kuba enters the waters of baptism.

Meet Michal Maczugin.

Michal's friend Pawel came to Camp Eden in '08, and asked others to pray with him for his friend Michal to come to Christ. Many did! Last summer Michel came to camp - and accepted Christ.



Michal joyfully declares his faith through baptism.

You can help make a difference for God in Poland. Here's how:

- Pray for the camps being held this summer. (Use this newsletter as a reminder and a handy guide in doing so.)
- Pray also for the ongoing ministry of PEM to pastors, churches, and the seminary in Poland.
- Become a regular financial contributor. (See below for contact information.)
- Make a generous, special gift to help buy the additional land for Camp Eden.
- Take a short-term missions trip to Poland in the future. Experience firsthand what God is doing!

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