

Paid Internships

Join our team of 12 Interns to serve our Guests and care for camp! Interns will work from September 9, 2019 to May 15, 2020. Applicants must be 1 year out of high school (19+) and have a heart for serving. Flexibility, dependability, and a desire to learn & grow are key assets. Interns will receive a monthly stipend of \$1,000 plus room & board. Your internship will be a ton of work, but there will still be lots of time for fun and play on days off! Interns will participate in weekly worship nights, monthly social events, plus two 3-day trips (sailing and skiing). Professional development will include Food Safe, First Aid, and discipleship training. Interns will be assigned to a specific department, but will help in other areas as needed:

- Food Services* (3)
- Guest Services / Program (4)
- Hostess / Housekeeping (2)
- Maintenance* (2)
- Office Assistant (1)

*Note: Hours can be applied to an apprenticeship! Call 250-285-3483 for more information.

Apply online today! www.camphomewood.com/intern-opportunities/



Missionary SPOTLIGHT:

Aaron Gole has been serving on staff at Homewood for over 12 years. After serving as Program Director / Rental Coordinator for over a decade, we have divided Aaron's responsibilities so he can give 100% of his attention to Guest Services. Managing all the details associated with 80+ groups a year is a massive undertaking & we appreciate him! He and Julie are currently at about 80% of their support goal. Please consider supporting Aaron – **Gole's need an additional \$600 / month.** Can you be one of 12 people who give \$50.00 / month?

Good news! Aaron and Julie have bought a home in Campbell River! Aaron is now the only one in the family commuting. Please pray for Aaron, Julie, and Jake, Ollie, and Charlie as they settle into new routines. Aaron will be taking a much deserved 3-month Sabbatical this year.



FULL TIME MISSIONARY NEEDS

Food Service Assistant. We are looking for a Red Seal Chef or experienced cook to join our Food Service team. Assist with food preparation and presentation, receiving and storing food, and kitchen cleaning and sanitation for groups of 25 – 250 people. Working to deadlines is critically important! This individual is part of a team committed to building the Kingdom of God. Camp Homewood's ministry is relational. Staff must be able to convey a sense of Christ-like hospitality and concern for guests and staff.

FINANCES: Did you know? Camp fees only cover about 50% of the cost of running camp. Over \$250,000 in donations are required to keep the lights shining & our doors open! Donations to our General Operating Fund are greatly appreciated!

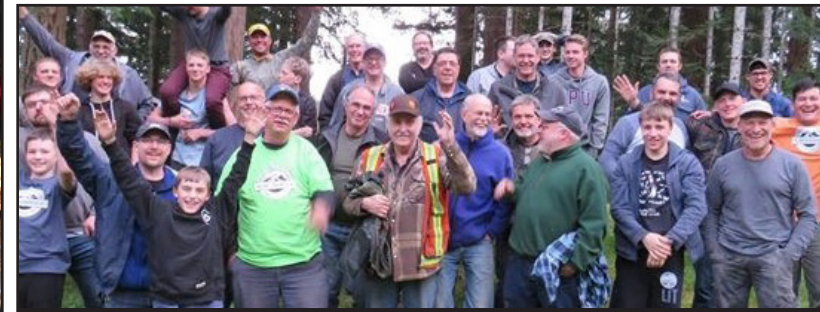
Several of our missionaries are significantly below their monthly support targets. A one-time gift or regular monthly support would be greatly appreciated. Gifts can be made through CanadaHelps, with credit card or by cheque. See website for details.



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Outreach Spring 2019



HERE'S TO VOLUNTEERS!

This edition of the Outreach is dedicated to our volunteers. The Pacific Coast Children's Mission is celebrating 75 years of ministry, and volunteers have played a critical role since the beginning. Volunteers helped build camp. They give their time and skill to repair and maintain camp. They have helped cook over a million meals. They have invested countless hours sharing their lives with children, teens and adults to make Christ's love known. They have listened to God's Spirit, and they have given their hands and hearts to help build His kingdom. Volunteers are my heroes!

Volunteering is costly business. **Giving time** is more costly than giving money. If you give money away, in most cases you can earn more and replace it. Time can never be replaced: when it's gone, it's gone. You can never make more! So why do people volunteer, and why does serving others bring so much joy to those who do it?

When I Googled 'Benefits of Volunteering', my screen showed 'about 358,000,000' results! Forbes Magazine published an article called, Five Surprising Benefits of Volunteering by Mark Horoswowski on March 19, 2015:

1. Volunteering time makes you feel like you have more time. Wharton professor Cassie Mogilner wrote in the Harvard Business Review that her research found those who volunteer their time feel like they have more of it. Said Mogilner: "The results show that giving your time to others can make you feel more 'time affluent' and less time-constrained than wasting your time, spending it on yourself, or even getting a windfall of free time."

2. Volunteering your skills helps you develop new skills. In my experience, skills-based volunteering is an excellent opportunity to develop talents to help you get ahead in your career. In fact, an article in Stanford Social Innovation Review called skills-based volunteering overseas "the next executive training ground." (*Was the author thinking specifically of Quadra Island?*)

3. Volunteering your body helps you have a healthier body. A Corporation for National & Community Service report noted: "Research demonstrates that volunteering leads to better health... those who volunteer have lower mortality rates, greater functional ability, and lower rates of depression later in life than those who do not volunteer."

4. Volunteering your experience helps build your experience. The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and Next Avenue have all published articles about how volunteering can help you earn your next job. As the Journal wrote: "According to the survey of 202 human-resource executives, skilled volunteer work makes job applicants look more appealing to hiring managers."

5. Volunteering your love makes you feel more love. Admittedly, love is a hard thing to measure. But when researchers at the London School of Economics examined the relationship between volunteering and measures of happiness, they found the more people volunteered, the happier they were. Volunteering builds empathy, strengthens social bonds and makes you smile — all factors that increase the feeling of love.

Wow! Who knew? But Forbes missed a couple of benefits:

1. Volunteers at Homewood get to participate with God in building His Kingdom! How cool is that?

^{v17}Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God." **II Cor 5:17-20**

2. One day his faithful servants will hear Jesus say "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" **Matthew 25:21**

Homewood wouldn't be Homewood if not for all those who give so generously of their time year after year.

THANK YOU! WE APPRECIATE YOU AND WE ARE BLESSED BY ALL THAT YOU DO!

Sincerely, **Paul Bailey**, General Director.

Summer Team Volunteers

As of May 29, 1,111 campers were registered for the summer – that’s up by 19% compared to last year! 10 camps have wait lists, and 6 others are almost full. Why do so many kids and parents want to be at Homewood? We think the most important factor is **our fabulous volunteers!** Over 100 volunteers are required to make this ministry happen. Listen to what our volunteers are saying:

“To be completely honest, serving at Homewood was never really part of my plan. My family has been involved for years, but I had never considered becoming a volunteer. Coming out of high school I had all these carefully constructed plans and Homewood didn’t factor into any of them! After lots of prayer and taking a huge leap of faith that God would work everything out, I submitted my staff application. I haven’t missed a summer in 5 years! When I am asked why I volunteer at Homewood, my answer can be summed up in 3 words: **‘Life Changes Here’.**” **Courtney Cowan** (Woodsman Cook - 2015-2019)

“I volunteer at camp because: **1.** I get to see lives transformed! God helps many kids feel true love and real joy for the first time at camp. **2.** I’ve experienced amazing fellowship at Homewood. **3.** God has helped develop my confidence and leadership skills here. **4.** I love spreading God’s love while having fun in His gorgeous creation!” **Rebecca Stevens** (CIT, Counsellor, Harbour Director)

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS SUMMER. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OR APPLY ONLINE. THE LIFE GOD CHANGES AT CAMP MIGHT BE YOURS!



“The reason I volunteer at camp is simple: I want to spread God’s love and make an impact on the people around me. Camp is a hard place to volunteer, and working with kids isn’t easy. I don’t recommend it for just anyone... but I love camp! The friendships that are created at camp last a lifetime. It’s an experience that keeps on giving.” **Josiah Wickens** (Work Crew Boss)

Summer Staffing Needs

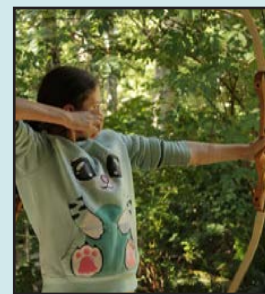
- 15 Tent Leaders (Age 17+)
- 1 Wrangler & 2 Wranglers-in-Training
- 2 Lifeguards (NL Certified)
- 12 LITs & 7 August Work Crew (Gr. 9+)
- 1 Woodsman Assistant Cook
- 1 Harbour Camp Director

Weekly Volunteer Needs

- Bus Driver
- Camp ‘Grandparents’
- General Maintenance
- Program Help
- Projects & Grounds
- Cleaning & Restocking

UPCOMING EVENTS

• Open House	June 15	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	All Ages	FREE
• Staff Commissioning	June 29	5:00 pm - 8:30 pm	All Ages	FREE
• Dessert Fundraiser - Courtenay / Comox	Nov. 12	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	All Ages	FREE
• Dessert Fundraiser - Campbell River	Nov. 14	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	All Ages	FREE
• Dessert Fundraiser - Abbotsford	Nov.18	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	All Ages	FREE
• Community Carol Sing	Dec. 13	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	All Ages	FREE



PROJECT UPDATE

New Staff House Update

Progress on the house has been nothing short of miraculous! God has supplied people, materials, and funds to help us address a critical need. Please pray that we will have the house ready for the Loeve family to move in June 17!

We wouldn’t even be close if not for our volunteers! **Cliff Stauffer** gave 6 months to build the house before returning to work at Camp Bob in April. His efforts got the house to lockup and well beyond! On April 1, **Randy & Janice McDonald** drove down from Prince George to help. Janice stayed for 9 days and painted the interior of the house. Randy stayed for the entire month and installed the pine ceiling, vinyl plank flooring, DRIcore subfloor in the basement, and carpet in the bedrooms. He also hung doors, installed trim and installed siding (two more sides to go!).



When asked why they volunteered, Janice said “We believe in camp ministry! Randy values improving the physical plant because that is a critical component of the overall ministry. Without great facilities, you can’t host the thousands of guests who drive over the cattle guard every year! Randy also loves working side by side with the young people who serve at camp.

We were very fortunate that **Levi Waite** showed up shortly after we did, and that he stayed all month! Randy loves teaching and mentoring young men. For me, I want to support & encourage the people that make the ministry happen. Camp people don’t get out much! You need to enter their world to spend time with them. I love coming alongside, entering into conversation, and sharing life together with staff. That is an important ministry that many people don’t understand. The only negative part of our entire experience was leaving!”

Caleb Beselt & Kona McDonald also lent a hand. **Caleb:** “I volunteered because I enjoy helping others. Cleaning bricks for the new house was pretty interesting. Kona and I knocked the mortar off almost 300 used bricks. It took a long time and I was pretty tired at the end of the day, but it was a good tired! It’s fun to contribute to a project that’s going to be enjoyed by others for 80 or 100 years!” When asked what the worst job ever at camp, Caleb thought for a moment before responding: “I can’t think of a worst job... it’s all fun! Even cleaning toilets isn’t so bad!” Thanks Caleb!

Praise and Prayer

- **Praise God for our new staff!** **Chris & Stacey Contenti** have sold their house in Red Deer, and will be moving to camp mid-June. Chris will assist Joel with Maintenance and Stacey will serve as our Health Services Coordinator. Pray for Chris & Stacey as they transition into life on Quadra and their new roles.
- **Praise God** for so many **FULL camps!** Pray that every camper will experience unconditional love and that their ears will be open to hear the gospel. **Pray** that many lives will be transformed by God’s Spirit! **Pray** that campers will connect with a church.
- **Pray for Summer Staff!** We are still short 30 volunteers! **Greatest needs:** Cabin Leaders, LITs, Lifeguards, and Head Leaders. Pray that God will provide a full team of committed workers. **Pray** that people will give to our **Staff Bursary Fund** so volunteers can afford to return to school in the fall.
- **Praise God** for a wonderful weekend to celebrate our **Diamond Jubilee!** For 75 years the Pacific Coast Children’s Mission has been impacting lives. In the early days, the Goforth allowed us to minister to geographically isolated children and families. Today, many people experience isolation and loneliness in spite of technology and living in close proximity to thousands of others. **Pray** that God would use camp to build real community and that people will choose to be in a relationship with their Creator.
- **Pray** for an **Assistant Cook!** Last year, our kitchen was busy 246 days. **Praise God** for **Sue Swanson’s** amazing help as a volunteer to give Rebecca days off for the past 3 years. This will be Sue’s last year – pray for a full time assistant to work alongside Rebecca!
- **Praise God for generous givers!** Your gifts have enabled us to buy a 2007 diesel 72 passenger school bus, 8 canvas wall tents and materials to build 5 platforms, plus materials to renovate the Upper Washhouse (Boys)... not to mention a complete rebuild of a staff house! **Pray** that God will continue to supply volunteers to finish the work!
- **Praise God for the gift of 26 acres** from the King family! This million-dollar donation was given in December of 2018. Homewood had leased the land for our Ranch program for decades for \$1.00 per year, and now we own the title! What a blessing!