



# BARAKEL NEWS

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## CONSTRUCTION REPORT

Our new vehicle maintenance garage is quickly nearing completion. The building's shell is finished, and we hope to complete the interior work (walls, plumbing, electrical, and equipment installation) soon. This modern, well-equipped building will give us the space and tools we need to keep our many vehicles working well.



## OPEN STAFF POSITIONS

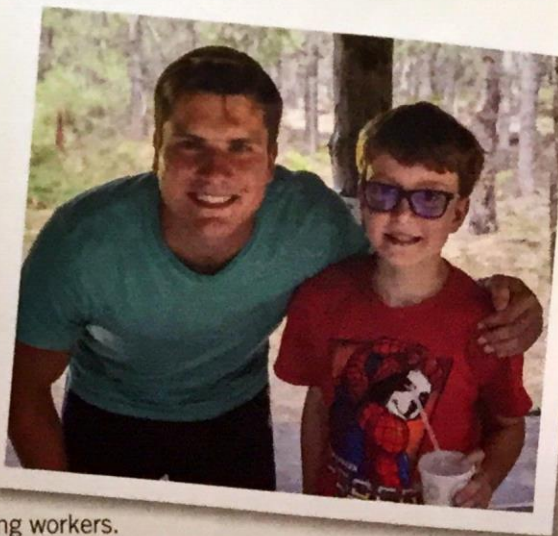
We are praying for and looking for a nurse (or doctor) to join the work here at Barakel – either for the summer of 2017 or as a permanent member of our Resident Missionary Staff.

More than 90 college-aged staff joined us this summer – all of them worked without a paycheck in order to share the gospel with our summer campers. We praise the Lord for sending us so many eager and willing workers.

Please join us in prayer as we begin recruiting the summer staff of 2017.

## NEW STAFF ON THE WAY

Two families have been appointed to join our resident missionary staff: Rob & Elizabeth McAdams and Kevin & Carolyn Pierpont. So far, Rob and Elizabeth have two-thirds of their needed financial support; Kevin and Carolyn have one-third. To learn more about these families, visit [CampBarakel.org/Staff](http://CampBarakel.org/Staff).



We love hosting events for parents and their children to enjoy together. We've set aside 7 weekends next year just for parent/child events, including a fall Father/Son retreat (new for 2017). This winter, Father/Son and Father/Daughter weekends are filling fast. Visit [www.CampBarakel.org](http://www.CampBarakel.org) to claim your spot.



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Forty years ago, Camp Barakel was threatened by a large forest fire. God used a confused bulldozer operator and local volunteers to stop the fire right along our property line. Our founder wrote, "I believe we saw a miracle... Man proposes - we took precautions - but it is really God who moves in and disposes. It is

God who decides just how far the fire will go." You can read the whole story in Johnnie Johnson's book. Pick it up at the Trading Post next time you visit.



## Spring Plans

Snow is just starting to fly, and we're already thinking about spring clean-up. You're invited to join us for Co-Labor Challenges (April 21-22; May 5-6; May 12-13) and our Spring Plant and Prep Days (May 23-25). These work days are open to groups and individuals of all ages who are able to join in raking, planting, and getting the grounds ready for summer camp. Contact [Serve@CampBarakel.org](mailto:Serve@CampBarakel.org) for more information and an application.

This spring, we plan to continue our East Side bathroom renovation project. Oak cabin is scheduled for the next upgrade. If you know any plumbers, tile layers, or electricians who would be willing to help, send them our way!

