



# Cristo Vive International

## Greetings to you our dear friends

What a wonderful time of year. Great is our God and greatly to be praised! Never is there a dull moment or a forgotten promise with our Lord. If there is ever anything to be so thankful and joyful over it is this fact: He is faithful not forgetful, joyful not depressed, never condemning, accepting not rejecting, loving not hateful, rewarding not stingy or a thief, a creator not a destroyer, and a friend not our enemy. Let these be music to your ears as you go about the

days ahead of you. He (God) is good all the time!

Amazingly, August is just passing behind us. There have been so many wonderful activities negotiated and completed this month and so much of it is all because of you and your faithfulness. So, it is a delight to share with you some of these accomplishments of your finances, prayers, and friendship through these last few weeks.



## Camps in Idaho...

The Idaho team, in Harpster, Idaho, hosted another action-packed camp in the theme of "God in Science". 11 children and youth came and experienced a level of fun and heart changing activities and some were able to reflect those changes in their comments as the camp ended. Two of them said "when we came to camp we were expecting to be corrected and told that we had to do things a particular way or we would

be rejected." But the love that they saw from all the team and their experience was that Jesus really does love them and that these people gave real love to them. Wow, what a beautiful picture of Jesus given by these amazing Christians living out their relationship with Jesus to these kids. In all, there were 27 team members serving at the camp, 10 of which were college student interns offered to our team by the camp

staff. A new feature in the fun category this year was the water slide. It has been relocated and plunges the kids into the clearwater river instead into a puddle surrounded with hay bales.

## ...And in Ecuador!

Playas, Ecuador again hosted a dynamic camp for a great number of children and youth along with a great team of believers coming together to impact these kid's lives. As we get additional details concerning this camp we will update with the exciting happenings there in letters to come



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**Where does Cristo  
Vive International  
operate?**

Conroe, TX

Harpster, ID

Minnesota-July 2018

RGV, TX

Soldotna, AK

And Ecuador

Peru-June 2018

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...Changing Lives



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## Mission of CVI

To provide children and youth with disabilities and their families an opportunity to experience the love of God and faith in Christ through a fun and engaging camp experience.

## Vision of CVI

To create opportunities which will inspire participants to respond to the message of God's love and delight in them and lead them to a genuine experience with Jesus as Lord and Savior.

## Changes at CVI

In Soldotna, Alaska, we are so enriched with God's direction and timing. As I am writing this letter to you I want you to know, we are now in our new office in town. We have believed for some time that this will enable us to gain ground in moving forward into the direction of our call to ministry. One of the many things we are hopeful for is that our funding will increase to not only maintain this new office location but to increase our ability to provide the support for a growing ministry with administrative work and support services to the teams in locations that have ongoing activities within their communities.



## Happenings with the Engebretsen's

On a personal note, our family is a busy buzzing moving creature. School has begun on Aug 21 with Jordana getting fully engaged in her work as a teacher on August 14. Benjamin is one very busy boy, he has begun middle school and seems to be adapting to that environment quite well. He is very engaged in football which will likely continue into October, their team seems to be winning more than not which may take them beyond the normal season. He has also joined the try-outs for soccer with his school which is on the same cycle as football. This causes him to have practices for 4 hours 4 days a week. On top of that he is in band, learning new musical endeavors and continuing with his voice/piano lessons. Whew-that's a lot for me to keep up with. Thanks for your prayers!

## Your Prayers and Faithfulness

Your increased and faithful support is much needed in the weeks and months ahead. We understand that most Americans are experiencing a better financial environment these days than their past may have allowed them. If that fits your life picture, I would encourage you to pray and ask the Lord where you can best impact the world through a time of increase. If that should lead you to give more to His Kingdom, we would be so blessed to be the work you choose to invest in. Thanks so much. Please let us know how we can reach out to you to make giving easier.

*Jordana*