

# Cristo Vive International

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## Founders:

*Gene & Jordana  
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## Greetings to our Loving Friends!

Wow, 2018 is off to a swift beginning. With all the end of year celebrations and transitions into the hustle of a new year, it seems like busy days never slow down. I kind of think that is what it's like it is with God's call on our lives to be a generous giver and lover of souls. The further along the spectrum of our lives we go the more we sense the urgency to get in front of people the message of God's love and grace. This is a cycle that encounters no slow periods but generates new spiritual energy the more we exercise our life with passion and determination to lead more people to His kingdom. It is our prayer that you are fully engaged in the actions that bring joy to you and your Lord's heart—sharing love with your neighbors!

"Made 2 Be Wonderful" in Conroe, Texas is

where our team experienced a very high level of inner joy and dynamics with kids of all ages as they hosted camp this month, with a combined total of 32 workers and campers. Throughout the camp kids were ecstatic with the message all about the fruit of the spirit. In all their excitement, it appears that not a single camper felt left out no matter what their own personal challenges may have been. One of the campers, a boy, made everyone's delight more complete by keeping his cabin alert most of the 1st night and discovering how much everyone cared for him and made him realize how special he really is. I think God had to be radiant with smiles as the friends kept pace with the campers and created so much laughter and joy learning and sharing God's Word together. Not a camper or team

member left the camp with a dry eye. All committed to be back again when the next event occurs.



## Where does Cristo Vive International operate?

*Conroe, TX*

*Harpster, ID*

*RGV, TX*

*Soldotna, AK*

*Cuenca and Guayquil,  
Ecuador*

## New Camps coming in June and July 2018

***Iquitos, Peru (June 20-  
July 2)***

***Stewartville, Minne-  
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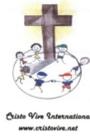
## More Camps Happening

As you receive this letter, we will be either hosting a camp or just finished here in Soldotna, Alaska. We are expecting it to be the largest camp yet here with 13 or more kids of all ages. Our theme is "God N Science", where we will encounter Jesus through learning how much God loves us, yielding our hearts to him, and growing in his love everyday of our lives. It's always so exciting to be part of a community program that invites kids to come together with the intention to have fun. We are especially blessed to be able to do that with using science and engaging with Jesus to make the weekend complete.



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**Please be praying** for the mission outreach that is coming in June. We need a number of people to join our team and make this trip a great value to the people of Peru and our missionaries that join the team. Please consider what you would like to do to support that trip, finances, prayer, or personal participation. We can truthfully use more participation as well as finances for us who are going. Please increase your giving and support for the months ahead.

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**Happening Around You—Near and Far!**

2018 Camp Schedules:

January—Conroe TX	June—Peru
February—Alaska	July—Minnesota
March—RGV, TX	August—Idaho
April—Ecuador	August—Ecuador



*...Building Dreams  
... Changing Lives*

**Blessings and Joy Continues**



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*Our family continues to be full of action and joy. Benjamin is doing well in his sixth grade and swimming his way to achievement. Just yesterday he was participating with his class in negotiating a mission to Mars in the Challenger Center where he was the weather engineer for the mission. From the sound of his report he was very busy attempting to avoid dust storms, meteor storms, and a variety of other atmospheric debris hazards. Jordana, oh so busy, taking students through their academic progress, keeping others learning technology devel-*

*opment, and taking care of our family and keeps us all fed and rested through our days. Her mom, Nudy, and dad, Stalin, are currently here with us, however, dad heads back January 27th and mom on March 5th to return again at a later date. It is such a blessing to have them with us while life makes that possible. Gene keeping busy somehow, but soon will be traveling out to Idaho to place some of his attention and effort on his dad's property to hopefully get it ready soon to be on the sales market. We are all doing well.*



Ben now

**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.



From those of us still in the throes of winter to those of you already feeling the beginnings of spring! Blessings!!

**Vision of CVI**

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