

Hartland Horizon

HARTLAND CHRISTIAN CAMP

Spring 2011

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Man Camp.....	March 11-13
Spring Women's Retreat.....	April 15-17
Spring Quilt Retreat NEW!.....	April 28-May 1
Hartland Classic Golf Tournament.....	April 29
Home School Family Camp.....	May 23-27
Memorial Day Family Camp.....	May 27-30
Father/Child Fishermen's Conference.	June 10-12
Summer Camps	
Jr. High #1.....	July 3-8
Junior #1.....	July 10-15
Jr. High #2.....	July 17-22
Senior High #1.....	July 24-29
Senior High #2.....	July 31-August 5
Junior #2.....	August 7-12



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To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12



Cake decorating contest at Hartland's Women's Retreat.



Developing new skills at Hartland's Man Camp



From the Director

Greetings from Hartland Christian Camp!

Recently, we hosted a unique group here at camp: the Hartland Board of Directors. This seventeen-member body shares the responsibility of guiding and protecting our ministry. Several times since 2001, the Board has faithfully set aside an extended period to meet for prayer, time in God's Word, reflection on the past, assessment of the current situation, and planning for the future. This last month was the latest of these gatherings.

During the time of reflection, it was amazing to see how the Lord has enabled fruitful ministry and significant improvements to the Hartland facility over the course of recent years. It is possible that you have participated in this personally through your own faithful giving. Please join the Board in gratitude to the Lord for all He has done.

Currently things are well at camp. Although we have experienced challenges during these difficult economic times, thanks to God's faithfulness, and donors giving generously, we are in a healthy financial position and excited to move forward. The staff that serve faithfully here at Hartland are one of the keys to this health. I am honored to report that the significant areas of leadership are filled by men and women who understand God's calling on their lives and are here for the purpose of serving Him. Moreover, the staff are supported, in turn, by the members of the board who love the Lord and this ministry.

As we look to the future, there is bright hope – not, first of all, that the economy is turning around but rather hope that the creator of heaven and earth is employing this ministry to further the work of Christ's kingdom. We are confident that our commitment to boldly proclaim the living Word until He comes again is our way of being faithful to this work.

Please pray for the members of the Board, for the staff, and for their families. Pray that the Lord would provide protection from the attacks of the evil one, strength for the days ahead, and wisdom that comes from Him.

Blessings,



Bob Nunziato
Executive Director



Candle light services at Hartland's summer camps give students a visual example of sharing the "light" of the gospel with others. Students are challenged to share their faith with at least one person.

Women's Retreat

April 15-17, 2011

SPEAKER

Sheryl Giesbrecht



Spring Women's Retreat at Hartland is an amazing time of worship, fellowship, and fun where ladies of all ages enjoy a break from everyday life to relax and refocus. Build relationships with friends, meet new people, and most importantly, grow in your relationship with your creator, God.

You'll enjoy visiting together over a delicious meal, learning together in a wide variety of seminars, and laughing together while participating in fun activities like crafts, sports tournaments, cake decorating contest, scavenger hunt, and more.

Gather together the ladies in your church group and join us for this very special weekend event.

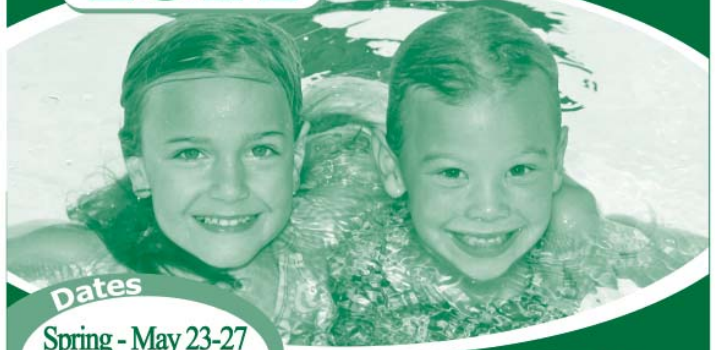
MUSIC

Andrea Glenn



Home School Family Camps

2011



Dates

Spring - May 23-27
Fall - September 5-9

**MAKE YOUR
HOME SCHOOLING
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**With fun and memorable teaching
from a biblical perspective.**

Does prayer change things?

By Bryan Case

In 1 John 5:14-15 we read, *“and this is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the request which we have asked from Him.”*

This passage has been the source of much confusion. Some say that God has stored up a treasure trove of wonderful gifts for us that wait, unclaimed, because we never took the time to ask. After all, Matthew 7:11 tells us; *“If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask him.”* Others suggest that we need to claim this promise and pound on the doors of heaven until God grants us our request because of our unwavering persistence. Still others say we simply need more faith, and then we'll get what we want from God.

Have you ever struggled with the frustration of unanswered prayer wondering how a loving God could allow things to go on as they are? Perhaps you've asked, *“doesn't he want my loved one to be healed, my hopeless situation to change, or my pain to be taken away?”*

These verses may sound to you like empty promises. You may have heard that God answers every prayer with one of three answers: “yes”, “no”, or “wait”. Yet you can't seem to find that passage in the Bible. Not to mention that the idea brings little or no comfort when all you really want is some glimmer of hope that something will change. For Him to say “we'll see” is like no answer at all, or worse, you may think it's not that important to Him.

When we look closely at the words in 1 John we see that it specifically says: *“if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.”* Ah ha! There's a clause! Okay, my request must be according to His will. So, what is His will in this situation? Surely what I'm facing can't be a part of His will... Right? But on the other hand, there's tragic circumstances taking place everywhere we look. Is God really in control? Is the evil taking place in the world around us subverting God's plan? Or, if He is still sovereign and His plan will still triumph, why pray? His will is done with or without our prayers.

The truth of the matter is, there are no poetic sayings printed on plaques that will bring the creator of the universe down to our level of understanding. We must keep in mind these three undeniable truths: 1) God is good 2) His plan is perfect 3) He is trustworthy.

Faith is believing that what God said, He will do. We have a tendency to put our faith in the belief that God will do what we believe in our heart to be best; rather than putting our faith in Him. He always does what is best. His plan is always perfect. Even when all hope seems lost, He is our hope.

When the answers to our heartfelt prayers seem to fall on deaf ears, we can find hope in knowing that He tells us to *“cast all of your cares upon Him; for He cares for you.”* (1 Peter 5:7) He cares for a little sparrow that falls to the ground and He assures us; *“You are more valuable than many sparrows”.* (Matt. 10:31)

Rest assured, He cares for the things that are worth caring for far more than we do. He loves our loved ones more than we are capable of loving them. Everything we hold dear is a gift from Him and He answers our prayers in ways beyond our ability to understand. When we fear what the future may hold, is it possible that we are failing to trust the one who holds the future? Make no mistake about it. He is trustworthy.

So pray those prayers. Pour out your heart to God and know that He will answer according to His perfect will. He has a perfect plan and nothing will alter its course. He is God! He doesn't need a suggestion box on His desk in which we can place brilliant ideas He hasn't thought of. *“He knows what you need before you even ask”.* (Matt. 6:8)

Does prayer change things? Perhaps more than anything, it changes those who pray.



MAN CAMP

March 11-13, 2011

SPEAKER

Eric Heard



Eric Heard is the Men's Ministry Pastor at Mariners Church. His education includes a B.A. in Christian Education from Biola University, and a Master of Divinity from Talbot Seminary. Eric has a way of presenting God's Word in a way that inspires audiences to follow Christ whole-heartedly.

MUSIC

Joel Weldon



With a true-to-life humbleness and heartland-rock style, Joel captivates the truths of God into worship and performance songs that change hearts. Joel's music reflects personal, meaningful trials and triumphs. Once you hear Joel, you're hooked.

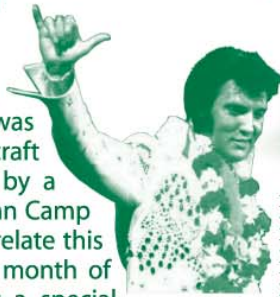
In Concert with the King

By Erik Johnson

What does "Aloha from Hawaii," the live internationally broadcast concert headlined by none other than Elvis Presley the "king of rock and roll" and Hartland Christian Camp have in common?

Read on....

My mother-in-law, many of you know her as "Craft Lady Carolyn," was returning to her car, after shopping for craft supplies, when she was approached by a man who noticed her Hartland Christian Camp license plate frame. He proceeded to relate this story: The year was 1973, it was the month of January and Elvis was scheduled for a special concert broadcast live from Hawaii via satellite to over 40 countries. This gentleman and millions of other fans across the globe were waiting with anticipation for the opportunity to experience the concert. His parents on the other hand did not want him to join the multitudes and arranged for him to attend an event here at Hartland Christian Camp. He did not want to come because it would mean he would miss out on this concert with "the king." According to this gentleman, he attended camp, heard the gospel message, and asked Jesus Christ to be his Lord and Savior. He will remember that day forever. The gentleman vividly recounted the day he missed the "king of rock and roll" but met with the KING Eternal, Jesus Christ. He said that he is glad he came in spite of missing the concert and remains a committed follower of Jesus to this day.



We never know what may be on the hearts and minds of the many guests who visit Hartland each year, but our commitment to "boldly proclaim the Living Word" remains steadfast. Revelation 19:16NIV "On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS."

"Thank you, thank you very much."



Memorial Day Family Camp

May 27-30, 2011

Featuring
Mr. J
and the Kid Possible Band



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Boldly Proclaiming the Living Word

In Loving Memory

Hartland has recently received memorial gifts in memory of Rod Hofer, Martha Ball, and Jesus Alcala.

Thank you to those who have chosen to honor these special people in a way that yields eternal rewards.

CAMP NEEDS

Hartland could really use the following items. Would you consider donating one or more of these items or perhaps the funds to make the purchase?

- Aluminum bleachers to seat approximately 50 people (new or used)
- Late model, small, four wheel drive truck with automatic transmission
- 2) Flat-panel computer monitors - 20" or larger
Approximate Cost \$175 each

- Apple MacBook Pro laptop computer

Approximate Cost \$2,000

- Final Cut Pro video editing software

Approximate Cost \$1,000

Note: The video editing software is dependant upon donation of the computer.

- Keyboard (electronic piano) new or used, professional grade, 76 or 88 keys)

Approximate Cost \$500-\$700