Outdoor Ministry Report

Personnel

Mariah Newell, Program Director just completed her first year with Camp MoVal. Mariah has been a blessed addition to the MoVal ministry team and I am excited to see what she is doing with our summer camp program in 2016 along with the new programs that will be added to our offerings. It was Mariah that led the way with our new Movaloween program which had great success in its first year. There is much more to come.

I am very thank for Marci DeCuir, our camp registrar and my assistant. Marci has just completed three years with MoVal and I am not sure what I would have done without her. We have in place an exceptional summer camp program staff this year, they have a wide diversity and bring a wealth of gifts to our Outdoor Ministry Program.

I am also pleased and thankful with the rest of the MoVal staff and volunteers that continued to work hard for all of you. These folks are what makes Camp MoVal what it is today and how our ministry will continue to serve into the future. It is my great privilege and pleasure to be your Outdoor Ministry Director, it is hard for me to believe that this is my fifth summer already.

Operations

We continue to have many wonderful volunteers that come to MoVal as time permits and helps us to continue to keep our facility in top notch condition. I also want to thank member of our property team and all of our churches for their continued service at workdays and beyond.

The Camp MoVal Covenanted Ministry continues to work towards improvements to our facility and ensure that we meet the needs of our guests. This past year we have accomplished another wonderful project to enhance the MoVal property. St John's Bem took it upon their congregation to raise the funds and do most of the work to remodel the old into a new, first class Camp Health Center with all the necessary furnishings and equipment to ensure the every MoVal Camper has a modern and safe place to go in a health emergencies.

The 2015 season was a hard season on camp infrastructure, the main well pump had to be replaced, and we had two broken water lines, some fire safety and lagoon updates that were necessary. The good news is with all the updates and repairs, we only had to use a little of our previous two years surplus to correct and maintain all of our needs. We are currently working on a ten strategic plan for Camp MoVal to make sure that we continue to make appropriate improvements to keep our facility in top notch condition, but to also ensure that we are meeting our current and future programming needs.

Programming

Leadership training has been completed for the 2016 camp season. Our counselor training is a two part component, there is an eight hour on site training and a four hour pre-camp training and all of this is to meet ACA requirements. We have great staff that go to great lengths to keep your campers safe and they create a caring and wonderful sacred space for all who attend our programs.

We are continuing to create and be innovative with our Outdoor Ministries programs. New for 2016 is a Heroes Camp, Mofestival, a Youth Leaders workshop day and many new programs in various working stages. Watch for more information to follow.

Finances

Camp MoVal ended the 2015 financial year with a shortfall of \$6,000 and we capitalize over \$11,000 in repairs our operating budget, only needing to take the small amount from our surplus' for capital improvements. Those improvements included new well pump, continued upgrade in technology and other projects previously mentioned.

As we are already well into 2016 season, we are watching over revenues continue to growth through increase usage and a measured controls put into place in our rental programs. The Camp MoVal Team and myself continue to identify the needs and wants of our campers and guests as we look into the future needs of our facility and programs and we will need your continued support to make that happen.

Extras and Notes

Camp MoVal Ministry Team continues to work hard on your behalf and their role and responsibility in the support of Camp MoVal and Outdoor Ministries. We know that by working together we can achieve our goals and touch many lives. We also realize that we need to look to the wider church and our communities to grow our ministry and to serve as we are called.

We look forward to a bright future, I am so very thankful for everyone's continued support of their camp and outdoor ministries program. If you have not been to Camp MoVal or would like more information, please be contact with us. It is a great privilege to continue to serve all of you and the church families.

Peace and Grace,

Jeremy Force

