



# BARAKEL NEWS

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## Thank You, Lord!

At 11:00 on a Tuesday morning, a few staff members met to discuss plans to create storage for the program department. One of the main needs was deep, heavy-duty shelving to store large game equipment. We had built some shelves out of wood, but needed more.

At 2:45 that same afternoon, a friend of Barakel emailed us with an offer: he's closing a warehouse and has some large, heavy-duty shelving that needs a new home. Could Barakel find a use for this donation?

Our answer was a resounding "yes!" We believe God met our need, and he chose to do so with timing that makes it hard to argue otherwise. This shelving – easily worth more than \$2,000 – is just one of countless stories. As our founder once said, "The dear Lord [is] the Sustainer of this ministry... all of this is provided. Our salvation is provided, our needs are provided, because of one thing: God's great love and grace towards us in Christ. He truly has been, and continues to be, at work in our midst."

## Heard around Camp

Two thousand people attended our fall retreats for men, women, married couples, and fathers with their children. Here are a few comments from our weekend guests:

"Look forward all year to when it's time for camp."

"It's not fair that only kids get to come up for a whole week."

"I was able to get alone in my thoughts and reflect on my relationship with the Lord and spend more quiet time in His Word."

"It was nice to be outside in the woods a lot and to see God's creation. I haven't walked so much in a long time! Really enjoyed it."

"Thankful for the updated bathrooms! The room is great!"



## They're Almost Here!

As we go to print, Resident Missionary Staff appointees Kevin and Carolyn Pierpont have raised 91% of their financial support. They have sold their home and Kevin has stepped down from the pastorate as they eagerly anticipate their move to Barakel. They plan to begin work at Barakel as soon as the Lord provides all their needed funds.

# Come back soon!

Winter fun abounds in northern Michigan! Come enjoy a weekend at Barakel – with chapel services, roaring fires, hot chocolate, and all your favorite outdoor activities. In addition to teen retreats for church groups (offered every weekend), our schedule includes retreats for Fathers and Sons, Fathers and Daughters, and College/Career. We hope to see you here this winter!

Eager for summer camp? We'll open registration for summer of 2018 on Wednesday, January 3.



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## Mark your Calendars

### 2018 SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

May 18-20:  
**Spring Mother/Daughter Retreat**

May 18-20:  
**Spring Retreat for Men**

May 25-28  
**Memorial Day Family Camp**

August 31-September 3:  
**Labor Day Family Camp**

Find out about these events (and many more) at [CampBarakel.org](http://CampBarakel.org)

**Summer  
Camp**  
REGISTRATION  
OPENS  
JANUARY 3!

