

GILEAD GAZETTE



How Camp Gilead Became Home ELIZABETH ANDERSON

If I was asked a year ago if I thought I would be living and working year-round at Camp Gilead, I would think that was crazy. Yet this is my current reality. Last November, I was partially through my second school year teaching at a Christian school in Salem, Oregon. I was the music and preschool teacher, and while I enjoyed it, around this time last year I began prayerfully considering something new. A few months later, I received a text from Kimberly Mallory mentioning a potential opportunity at camp. It was not clear whether this was for summer 2022 or beyond, but either way I was interested. I continued to pray about the future, and now it included camp as a vague possibility. Around March, Kimberly and I began talking about a year-round position for me at Camp Gilead. After considering many options, the Lord made it apparent that the choice would be between staying at my school or going to camp.

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Later I drove to Washington for Raunwyn and Andy Cotogna-Denney's wedding, my good friends who have both served on staff. I stayed at camp that weekend and I was able to speak with Kimberly the next morning about the job. Something about being at camp, celebrating the wedding of two camp staff alumni, and seeing other camp friends reminded me of how much I loved Gilead. About a week later, the Lord made my choice clear, and I said yes to working at camp. I grew up going to Camp Gilead every summer, and I wanted to be on staff as soon as I could. After 9 summers on staff, it is truly surreal to be here.

What is it like living at Camp Gilead? Well, the past two months have been an adventure in the best way. Waking up every morning at camp is beautiful and experiencing it in the fall (and in the snow) is something else. This season at camp has included hosting several guest groups, the Mother Daughter Retreats and Father Son Adventure Weekend, preparing for GileAdvent, and much more. Some of my projects have been cleaning the lower cabins and bathrooms weekly, the October Photo Challenge, working on each issue of the Gilead Gazette, and planning exciting things to come in 2023. The CCCA Northwest Hospitality and Marketing Advance at Shiloh Bible Camp was another opportunity I had to learn about these aspects of camp ministry. Some highlights were spending time with Sophie Lembke (a Gilead staff alumna who now serves at Dunes Bible Camp), brainstorming social media strategies with other camp staff involved with marketing, and spending time in God's creation. I have also been able to visit Black Lake Bible Camp in Olympia, and Dunes Bible Camp near Long Beach. It was fascinating to get a tour of each camp and gather new ideas that could be implemented at Camp Gilead.

After two months, I am still so thankful to be here. I had imagined what camp may have looked like during the year, but I never anticipated everything involved with serving at Camp Gilead outside of the summer and how enjoyable it is. As someone who always had to drive a few hours to camp, I have loved spending so much time with friends that I usually would only see during the summer. Movie nights in the lodge, Friendsgiving with local staff alumni, and a weekly Bible study are just a few memories I have enjoyed recently with my new community. It is such a privilege to be in this position at Camp Gilead and the Lord is continuing to teach me to depend on Him completely.



Elizabeth Anderson

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INTRODUCING

New Contest!

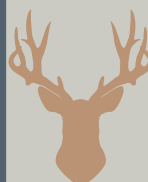


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HIDDEN BUCKY

Be the first to find the correct number of Hidden Bucky images hidden in this issue of the Gilead Gazette, and win the untradeable Hidden Bucky button!

Email Elizabeth Anderson at elizabeth@campgilead.org with your best guess.





GILEADVENT

A DRIVE THROUGH CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE

December 18-19 : 5-8PM



DECEMBER 18-19

5-8 PM

Free Drive Through Christmas Experience



Carolers



Live Nativity



Christmas Cookies



Email kimberly@campgilead.org for more info.

Father Son Adventure Weekend

November 4-5

What a spectacular weekend we had at the 3rd Annual Father Son Adventure Weekend. We had over 160 in attendance this year, with a mix of fathers, sons, grandpas, uncles and men who stood in the gap for several young men and boys. Those in attendance participated in classic camp activities such as canoeing, sling shots, mini golf and BB guns. Also added to the lineup of activities offered were whittling, fire building with flint & steel, wood burning art, cookie decorating, even wood splitting. Big thanks to Trail Life of Snohomish, who brought their compound bow archery set up, and taught us how to correctly shoot. We also had a special demonstration on how to forge metal, with an excellent spiritual application, led by Keith Reed. Those that attended were able to pound metal and produce a nail!

A highlight of the weekend is always the "Dude Bucket Giveaways!" We had many different themed buckets donated, such as Dad & Me Movie Night, Survival Gear, Fishing, Essential Tools, Jerky and more! Also donated were 40 knives to giveaway to some very excited ticket winners!

Troy Hacking was our speaker and gave each of us a great charge, to be obedient in our walk with God, to follow Him, and to never quit. Troy gave a nice gift to each one who attended with a dog tag that had their name and Heb. 12:1 stamped on it. These were handed out at the closing ceremonies of our last chapel and each father and son was able to put the dog tag on each other. Worship was led by Mike Jackson, along with his father-in-law and sons.



The weekend was amazing! Everywhere around us had a bad rainstorm and power outages, but Gilead did not. It was like the camp was under God's canopy, and we were not hindered with any storm. We are already looking forward to next year's Father Son Adventure Weekend.



Josh Mallory





Speaker
Steve Imhof
*Pastor - Puyallup
Community Baptist
Church*

Grades 6-9

Cost: \$75
includes tubing ticket
@ Snoqualmie Pass
\$40 for leaders

GROUP REGISTRATIONS ONLY

What to Bring:

**Sleeping Bag & Pillow * Bible &
Pen or Pencil * Snow Clothes,
Boots, Gloves * Extra Clothes &
Toiletries * A Friend!**

2023 Retreat Schedule

Sunday * Jan 15

3:00 Registration begins
5:30 Dinner
7:00 Chapel
Late Night Stuff

Monday * Jan 16

6:30 B'fast
7:30 Leave for
Snoqualmie Pass
(lunch up at mountain)
1:00 Back @ camp
Free Time
3:00 Chapel
4:00 Head for home

Email kimberly@campgilead.org for more info.

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**KEYNOTE SPEAKER
DR. PAUL PLEW
THE MASTER'S UNIVERSITY**

in Tune

a retreat for worship teams

January 27-28

- USING ORCHESTRAL MUSIC IN YOUR WORSHIP
- IMPROV 101
- PUTTING TOGETHER A COHESIVE SET
- TRANSITIONS BETWEEN SONGS & KEY CHANGES
- BASICS OF CONDUCTING & LEADING WORSHIP
- AND MORE!

GUEST CLINICIAN - DAVID HARSH

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SUMMER STAFF 2023 Applications NOW OPEN



TOP TEN REASONS TO WORK ON CAMP STAFF

1. **Outside activities like archery and swimming are part of the job**
2. **A two month tech break**
3. **Personal growth and life lessons**
4. **You are surrounded by beautiful views of nature**
5. **Being silly and having fun counts as work**
6. **Yelling excitedly at the top of your lungs is encouraged**
7. **Singing songs everywhere is normal**
8. **Learning more about God and the Bible from great speakers**
9. **Being part of life-changing decisions & experiences**
10. **Creating lasting friendships and memories**

CARLY HALL
Camp Gilead Intern

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

Day Camp Director
Program Staff
Counselor
Lifeguard
Dirtboard Instructor
Assistant Cook
High School Staff

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REGISTRATION OPENS
DECEMBER 16
FOR ALL 2023 EVENTS

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FROM THE CAMP KITCHEN: *Ranch Dressing Recipe*



This ranch dressing is something that we make at home all the time, and my family really loves it! It comes from the Trim Healthy Mama Cookbook, and I like the fact that it doesn't have any sugar and it is gluten free. It can be modified to be dairy free, if you use dairy free yogurt, but I haven't tried it yet.

It starts out with a seasoning mix:

- 3 tbsp. Garlic Powder
- 6 tbsp. Dried Parsley
- 3 tbsp. Dried Minced Onion
- 3 tbsp. Salt
- 3/4 tsp. Black Pepper



Combine in a blender and blend until well mixed. Store in an airtight jar.

To make the dressing/dip:

- Add 1 Tablespoon of the ranch mix to:
- 3/4 C. Mayo
- 1/2 C. Plain Greek Yogurt

Mix well. Let it sit in the fridge for a bit before serving.



It will end up being pretty thick as it sits, so if you want to use it as a dressing add a little bit of water. We mainly use it as a dip, so we like it just as it is.



Stephanie Bird
Food Service

CAMP CABIN SERIES

The Story Behind the Name

CABIN 12: UKRAINE



Caleb and Christina Suko are serving in Odessa, Ukraine where they have planted an international church in Odessa, Ukraine with expats from Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. Additionally, Caleb serves as director of Blagovestie Today, center for evangelism and discipleship. Through this center, hundreds of Ukrainians are trained each year to share their faith and engage in discipleship that is biblical and effective. Christina serves at Choose Life, a pro-life women's center where she counsels women and shares the gospel by taking them through The Story of Hope and other biblical material.

Since the Russian invasion in February 2022 much of their time and resources has gone into serving internally displaced people and aid those in the war zones.



Caleb & Christina Suko

<https://www.abwe.org/serve/countries/ukraine>

WOMEN'S RETREAT

March 17-18

Patty Ardavanis, first and foremost, is so thankful to be called a child of God! She has been married to Scott Ardavanis for 35 years and together they have ministered in local churches in Southern California, the suburbs of Chicago, and now in Kingsburg, CA.

They had the wonderful privilege of raising 7 children, 5 of whom are now married, and now they are thrilled to have 9 precious grandchildren!



Patty Ardavanis

Patty is active in women's ministry at Grace Church of the Valley, where her husband pastors. She loves teaching and discipling women to love the Lord and His Word. Her prayer is that those in her family and in her circle of ministry would come to know the truths of Ephesians 3:17-19; "...so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith - that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

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WOMEN'S RETREAT

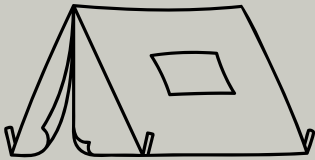
SPECIAL SPEAKER
PATTY ARDAVANIS

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Calendar at a Glance



- December 18-19 * GileAdvent*
- January 15-16 * Junior High Snowblast*
- January 27-28 * In Tune Worship Team Retreat*
- March 4 * Gilead Council/Board Meeting*
- March 17-18 * Women's Retreat*
- March 31-April 1 * Men's Retreat*
- May 19 * Spring Hymn Sing*
- May 19-20 * Volunteer Work Weekend*
- May 29 * River Run 5K*
- May 29 * Memorial Day Service*
- June 2-3 * Father Son Fishing Retreat*



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