



"The Northern Light" - Iceland News *The Weimer Family* *Reaching the World through Iceland*



Icelandic speaking ministry: June was an amazing month for proclaiming the Gospel! We did a roundup of kids on June 14th with a Pizza party. Summertime usually sees kids disappear. Our **summer roundup** saw many return and stay! Our home church, Kerwin Baptist Church, sent three teams to help us with **summer outreach** this year. The first team came to help with setup.

The second team came to assist in support roles in camp. The third team came to help with cleanup after camp. The photo above was taken on day one at camp! Eight of those kids and teens made decisions to trust Christ as Savior. Our theme was, "Live the life." The photo on the right is of the kids playing Hungry Hungry Hippo. The photo below left is of the workers practicing the games before camp to ensure they can explain them to the kids. **The photo below**



right is of a child who trusted Jesus in camp and wanted to be baptized. His mother was in our camp over 25 years ago and was overjoyed with her son's decision. The State church stigma didn't hold sway over this



child in keeping him from obeying Jesus! We have another teen lined up to be baptized in the coming week! He was saved last year at camp, but now wants to be baptized. At the end of summer camp week, we held an outreach carnival event that drew over 100 people despite the bad weather. The Sunday following camp saw nearly 80 people in attendance having visitors from that event. Then, on



baptism Sunday the following week, over 70 attended! This **is all in the Icelandic speaking ministry!** What a blessing to see this ministry growing. I have been witnessing and inviting people to church, as always; thank you for praying for them, too! The photo on the left below is of **the teen ministry**. William and Phyllis are doing a great job leading this ministry, and it is growing! There is such a good spirit in that group. Thank you for praying for our teens



and their weekly meetings on Wednesdays. **English-speaking ministry to foreigners:**

The photo on the right is of the international ministry, taken in June. We have seen several come and go over the past months. This ministry is very transient. We did have one join the church in June. Several are leaving for the summer while others are being deported. Icelandic is the



language of the country; however, several newcomers and workers in Iceland will not learn enough Icelandic to enjoy services in Icelandic. We rejoice at the opportunity to provide this ministry to those who speak English as a second or third language.

Summer projects. I will be painting a portion of the roof that was not finished last year due to bad weather and lack of funds for paint. We are pressing forward with installing exterior lighting at the church. With winter darkness lasting over 20 hours per day, there is a need to brighten the outside for security and visibility. The stage we built has been using more than 7 extension cords to power it. Thankfully, we were able to run electricity to that area last week! Thank you for praying for the projects. I also have to replace a roof at my house and do some important maintenance to keep us from leaking. Thank you for praying for all the items mentioned in this letter.



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