



PRINCE GEORGE

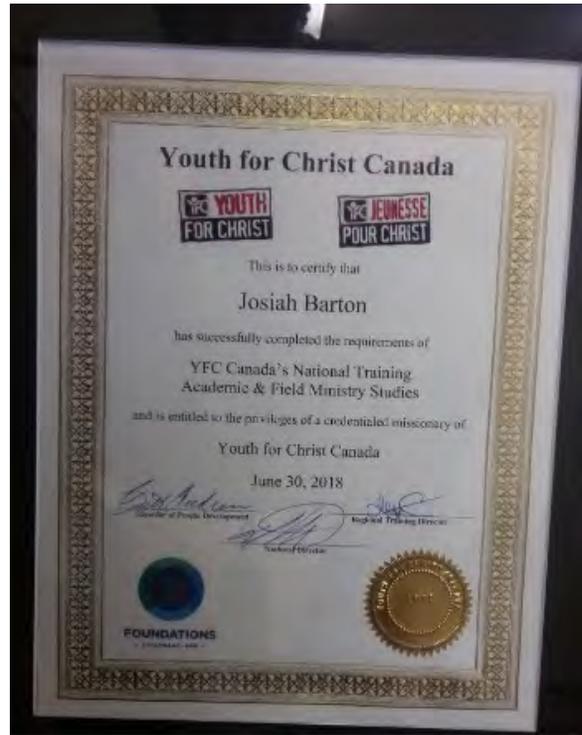
"I thought I had forgiven the people who had hurt me. But you showed me I hadn't. Thank you for reopening that wound so I could forgive."

On June 22-24 I was invited to be speak during Ness Lake Bible Camp's summer staff training event. At this event I asked the staff, youth and young adults, why they were there. Their reason for being there was what they would get. If they were there for friends, to have fun, or to grow in their knowledge of God, whatever their reason, they would receive it. But they would not receive what they were not there for. If they were there for fun or friends, then they should not expect to get to know God more. I challenged them to examine their reasons for being at camp and if they were not there to get to know God more than they should not expect to get to know him more. They themselves would not tolerate treatment from people who ignored them for others, why then should they expect God to tolerate it from them?

The following two days I spoke on how to know God, to hear him, and how to grow in knowing him by allowing him to search us and know us. On the final day of my messages I had several staff speak to me after. One youth in particular their words touched me deeply. They are the words I shared above. They spoke of how they had been abandoned and hurt by people close to them and thought they had forgiven them. However, because of my messages they had practiced allowing God to search them and know them.

"God showed me I hadn't forgiven those who hurt. Because of your messages I have been able to forgive them. Thank you."

I was greatly encouraged and thankful for God using me to accomplish his will in the lives of the staff at Ness Lake Bible Camp.



Graduation Ceremony

From June 27-July 1 I was able to attend the National Ministry Conference of Youth For Christ Canada. While there I was able to receive my certification as a fully recognized Minister of the Religious Order of Youth For Christ. I was able to join 40 other YFC staff who received their certification and attend the graduation ceremony. It was an honor to be able to be a part of this and be a fully recognized member. At this same graduation ceremony were staff members who were recognized for 25, 30, and 35 years of service. What an incredible testimony and honor to be able to be a part of the same organization as people who have spent the majority of their lives serving and helping youth in Canada.



Summer Art & Drama Drop In

With the end of school, our regular weekly Drop In at Fort George Baptist Church has wrapped up. However, we have started an Art & Drama Drop In on Wednesdays at Fort George Baptist Church. It runs every Wednesday from 2:30-5:30 and will focus on teaching different art styles and drama to youth who have creative interests. The event is free and available to all youth.



Disorganized



For the past several years, YFC PG has sent kids from our Disorganized Sports program to Ness Lake Bible Camp for free. Many of these kids are situations financially which would never allow them to attend Bible Camp. Many of the kids have told us they loved Bible Camp and had never experienced anything like. Several have said their favorite part was being able to sing songs about Jesus. This year we are trying to send kids to camp again but we need your help. It is only through partners like you who give financially we have been able to send kids. We are asking you to join with us in sending kids to camp. Would you consider joining us in helping make a difference in the lives of kids? To give financially, go to the following link on the YFC PG website, click on the DONATE NOW button, enter the amount, and add a note saying it is for sending kids to camp. Thank you.

<http://princegeorgeyfc.ca/donate-now>

Financial Support

Over the years many of you have supported myself, and my family with prayer and financial support. For that I, and my family, are truly grateful. However, we have never been at full support financially, which has put us in a difficult place financially. I write this now, asking if you who read this would consider giving regularly to the work I do here in PG. If you are already supporting me, I would ask if you would consider increasing your monthly support. I do not do this lightly, but because an increase in

financial support would allow me to be more effective in the work I do, allow me to support my family more, and also allow more work to be done to help the youth of PG. This would also allow me to be able to put more time into recruiting and training others who will be joining us. Because of the incredible growth in ministry and opportunities in PG and Northern BC, YFC PG is beginning to actively plan for the hiring and recruiting of other staff, but this can only happen if we receive more financial support for our existing staff. So I ask you, would you consider partnering with us in this? To be a part of the work we do by supporting us financially, please go to the Donate portion of the YFC PG website and select the staff member you would like to support.

<http://princegeorgeyfc.ca/donate-now/>

Sincerely,

Josiah