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## BIBLELICIOUS DAY CAMP!

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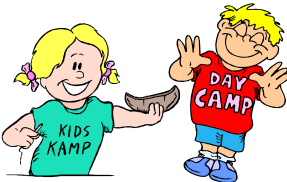
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### About Becky Kew \*

Becky has had a compassionate heart for the gospel for many years. She used to run herself ragged trying to work her regular job and still do gospel work. Now commended (July 2005) she still runs herself ragged, but now it is 100% for the Lord.



Brothers and sisters – please be encouraged. Here is an idea you might want to plan and put into action for next year! “In all labour there is profit!” says Proverbs 14:23 That verse continues like this: “but mere talk tends only to penury.” So give a new idea a try!

Biblelicious Camp 2008 was a wonderful means of building truth into the lives of more than 60 children on Sandy Bay First Nations Reserve, Manitoba.

This day-camp effort was coordinated by Becky Kew\*, and helpers included Nancy Rusk (ND), Ashley Wilcox (ND), Renette Chaisson (NS), Sarah Buckingham (SK), and Jessica Vanstone (MB). The camp ran for 10 days from July 21 – 31, and four groups of approximately 15 children attended for two days each. A special group of promising kids was invited back for the last two days.

Compared with an overnight camp, the day-camp atmosphere was in some ways easier to manage. Campers left at 5:00 so they could be home for supper, which meant first that we only served one meal each day, and second that we had evenings to recuperate and plan for the next day. One of the downsides of the format was that it left us without some of the quality time with kids that an overnight camp might have given, and also that Becky spent a lot of time transporting children to and from camp.

Our focus was the gospel, and specifically we emphasized that ‘God is good.’ The first task each group faced when they arrived at 10:00 in the morning was to learn Psalm 34:8 by memory, and during devotions and Bible hour times we tried to remind the kids often of this message. And God is indeed good! He blessed us with safety and energy and a lot of fun as we played games, ran relay races, and swam and canoed in the nearby lake. Christians in the surrounding assemblies were kind enough to provide food for lunches and snack-times, and overall we had very nice weather to work in.

Now that summer has drawn to a close, we continue to pray for each young soul who heard the message of mercy. We are thankful that Becky continues to have freedom this school year to share the gospel with these same children and many more in their classrooms, and we pray that the Lord will save many lives at Sandy Bay.

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