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New Student Reflections

by **KIRBY JAMES**, KBI Student

In coming to KBI, we left behind a past filled with uncertainty and fleshly desires of living on the border of sin and falling away from following the Lord. This new beginning, which started on August 20, 2011, is serving and learning to serve our Saviour full-time, and to live faithfully in Christ "24/7." Bernadette, Kobe and I came to Lac la Biche, AB early to prepare our new nest at KBI. The home we are in is very beautiful. It showed us that life at KBI would be rewarding.

We are already a month in (at time of writing) and the Lord has shown us that our path will be filled with challenges and rewards. We're thankful that here at KBI we will be grounded in His Word while being surrounded by brothers and sisters in Christ.

We began our first week with an orientation. The second week classes started and our first class for first year students was: "How to Study the Bible." It was awesome, and we all passed with 80% or better! Our second class is: "Note Taking and Report Writing Skills." This is the beginning of helping us to develop our skills for the Lord.

2 Timothy 3:16-17: "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."



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ORIENTATION ... One of our hopes for KBI is to have relationships as a strength of the School. With this in mind, staff decided that the orientation at the start of the school year should be more than two days in length, and needed to have a broader focus than the Student Handbook and some student/staff activities.

So orientation grew to be eight days in length. What did we do? Mornings started with chapel, and then time was spent going through a portion of the Student Handbook. Afternoons and evenings included things like a canoe trip on the North Saskatchewan River, golfing, crazy games, baseball, working together on campus, a picnic, sharing time at Churchill Park, and two progressive suppers hosted by the staff.

What happened? We got a good start on getting to know each other before classes started. We could together celebrate having completed a 30 km canoe trip ... and commiserate about our sore muscles! In golfing ("best ball" with a twist – no one

could have their shot chosen as best two times on a hole until everyone else's shot was chosen once) we learned that everyone contributes to the team, about being patient with those who may not have the same skill level, and that listening to the one who knows what they're talking about can help us all do better.

OUTREACH ... Outreach (previously called Christian Service) is reaching out to others, living Christ and ministering to people whom God leads us to. All students at KBI choose one or two areas in the Outreach program to be involved in for the school year. This is an opportunity to develop new skills, refine skills they have, and grow in the Lord as they see Him using them to reach out to others.

Heart Lake (twice a month) and Kikino (once a month) religion classes take place during the regular school day in the public schools in these communities – a wonderful open door to share God's story with children from Kindergarten to Grade 8. Kikino youth group is organized and run

by people in the church, and KBI students come alongside to help every second week. Twice a month a program of singing and a meditation from the Word is brought to Lacalta, a senior citizens home. There is also time to visit with those who come to the program. KBI is also part of a six-week rotation bringing a program in the extended care unit at the local hospital.

God burdened one of our staff to start a new outreach called "Helps" in some of the local communities where there is little Christian presence. This twice-a-month outreach means going into a community and serving people in areas of need. It might be basic mechanics or carpentry, cutting wood, cleaning, or having a cup of coffee and conversation with someone who is lonely or hurting.

"...Through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him. For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing" 2 Cor. 2:15. ●



Bobby & Veronica Moberly

We both are graduates of KBI. Bobby graduated in 1989 and I graduated in 2001.

Bobby has many varied responsibilities at KBI. He is one of the executive members, is on the NorthQuest (youth retreat) committee, helps with maintenance, and preaches in chapel and at local native churches. Bobby helps me with the "free store" on campus. One of Bobby's burdens is for alumni, and he keeps updated with them and prays for them. He also works with

other NCEM missionaries via Skype (internet) to do translation of the Scriptures into the Denesuline language.

I get the mail for KBI Monday to Friday, answer phones for the School one half-day each week, help the campus hostess, decorate for special events, and look after the free store.

I am excited to have family here! My sister Bernie and brother-in-law Kirby, with their five year-old boy, Kobe, have come to study at KBI. It will be a blessing to see them grow stronger in the Lord and I hope to be an encouragement to them!



Veronica with her sister Bernie.

Our prayer requests:

- for our families, their salvation.
- for our responsibilities here at KBI.
- for our spiritual growth.
- for funding to fix our car.

We thank you for your love, prayers and support for us and KBI. ●

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MEET OUR STUDENTS

We encourage you to cut this section out as a reminder to pray for these students.



(son Kobe)

KIRBY JAMES
Lytton/Merritt, BC /
FIRST YEAR
Pray for my relatives to come to the Lord.

BERNADETTE JAMES
Quilchena/Merritt, BC / FIRST YEAR
Pray for the stresses from all the changes I've been making and doing before and since coming to KBI. Pray that I may learn to lean on the Lord for strength.



JOSIAH DITCHBURN
Lac la Biche, AB / FIRST YEAR
Pray for peace of mind while studying God's Word.



CHRIS VIOLA
Leduc, AB / SECOND YEAR
Pray for God's purposes to come to completion in my life. Pray for the salvation of my two adult daughters.



STEVE SULLIVAN
Brunswick First Nation, ON / SECOND YEAR
Pray that I will trust God with my day-to-day living and daily struggles, and work through my personal issues. I desire to grow and learn to let God lead.



BEVEN WARD
Loon River, AB / THIRD YEAR
God pulled at my heart to come and finish the program at KBI. Pray for diligence and for God's guidance as He reveals more and more of His truth to me. Hebrews 11:6.



JAMES JOSEPH
Smithers, BC / THIRD YEAR
Pray that the Lord would prepare and guide my wife, Priscilla (who is a KBI grad of 1995, working in Lac La Biche), and I in regards to where to live and minister in the future.



Enough Time to Prepare

Eric Sinclair

Key-Way-Tin Bible Institute Administrator

Joshua had been entrusted to take Moses' place, and it was a task that not just anyone could do. Moses had died in the land of Moab (Deut. 34:5) and approximately three million people looked to Joshua for leadership (Joshua 1:16,17). I am not sure about you, but seeing how rough the Israelites treated Moses in the past, I would not want to be in his shoes! Joshua must have been discouraged and scared because God told him three times to, "Be strong and brave" (Joshua 1:6, 9, 18). No matter how scared he was, the time came to cross the Jordan River.

I wonder how the priests felt when Joshua told them to walk into the river Jordan and wait for the water to pile up on either side? What were the Israelites thinking when they found out that seven other people groups were on the other side inhabiting the land? Were these commandments totally new to them? No, because if you read Deuteronomy, Moses was telling them of the crossing of the Jordan and the seven nations that would be waiting. They had some time to think about this. In fact, a couple of months in planning could have taken place before the crossing (Deut. 1:1, Josh. 4:19). So there were no excuses. When God tells us to do something, He gives ample time to prepare for it.

So here they are standing at the edge of the waters of the Jordan. May I add that this is the time of year that the river is at its highest?! (Joshua 3:15). It would be like the Red River in Manitoba at flood stage: nice and deep. I can only imagine how the priests entered into that deep dirty water. Just picture two guys in priestly apparel carrying a beautiful box with poles attached to it. They both look nervously at each other and ask, "Okay, so how do you wanna do this? I'm in the front. Is the water gonna pile up when my feet touch the water, or when yours touch?" The guy in the back then says, "I don't know." The one in front: "Well, I don't wanna be swept away while you watch and laugh. Why don't you take the front!" Then after a long debate on who will go first, Joshua stops the argument. "Why don't you both go into the water by carrying the ark side ways." They look at each other and nod, "Yeah, that's a great idea. Let's do it." It might have happened that way, but it might not have either. When I get to heaven, that will be one of the questions I will ask the Levites.

Something incredible happened when the priests stepped into the water. The water piled up! (Josh. 3:16). How do you picture that happening? Do you, like me, envision it as a big wall of water just a couple of feet away from them? Faulty thinking, Eric, faulty thinking. I stumbled across the sixteenth verse and

had to scold myself, because that was the picture I painted for my listeners when I preached a sermon on this event. The verse says otherwise. It says, "It piled up far upstream at Adam (the city near Zarethan); there was no water at all flowing to the sea of the Arabah (the Salt Sea). The people crossed the river opposite Jericho" (New English Translation). I went to an older map of Israel and looked to see how far the city of Adam was upstream from Jericho. To my amazement it was approximately 35 kilometers between cities! The wall of water was no where in sight of the Israelites. When God does something for His people, He sometimes likes to go the extra kilometer.

I am glad we serve a God who encourages us to follow Him, gives us enough time to prepare ourselves for the journey, and then blows us away by showing us His might. Keep trusting Him, reader! Keep trusting Him! ●

Praise God:

- for the seven students God has brought to KBI.
- for the skills students bring to help with the physical needs (mechanical, electrical) on campus.
- for the good relationships started during orientation.
- for a volunteer coming to cook for November and December! Another volunteer is preparing to come cook from January to the end of the school year!

Pray:

- for the students as they adjust to the discipline of studying, and as they respond to the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives.
- for God's Word to be spread through our Outreach Program, and for students to be challenged and grow through these opportunities.
- for the NorthQuest youth retreat committee as they plan for NorthQuest (Feb. 17-19, 2012), for the speaker of God's choosing, and for the young people who will be coming.
- for the work in progress to hook the KBI campus up to town sewer.
- for the continuing need of full-time staff: maintenance manager, business manager, cook.

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