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This fall there has been a strong focus on getting our new duplex cabin built. Thank you to the many volunteers who have come to help with this project. We have it just about closed in. We are waiting on several windows to arrive the week of Christmas.

The lighting additions around camp were completed.

We are getting our fleet, equipment, and camp ready for winter.

Doug has been working with the other directors at camp to develop ideas for a master plan for camps future. He has also been updating and gathering information about camps existing facilities. All of this has been turned over to an architectural firm that will help us put together a master plan for camps future development.

Now is a quieter time when Doug can spend in his office working on budgets, plans, and schedules for next year.

In September we were able to make a trip down to Alabama to help Jacob with some more house projects. It was a nice time away and rewarding to see his house become a home inside.

In November Doug had another very successful deer hunting season. He went with our brother-in-law to Northern Mh. This year he got a doe and an 8 pt buck. This will fill our freezer quite nicely for another year. He sure enjoyed learning more about tracking this year. Last year both of his deer dropped right where he shot them.





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Colossians 3:23

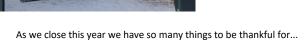
Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.











Our families! Our health! Safety for all the miles we have traveled on the road! Our supporters, who faithfully pray for us and those who financially provide for us.

We have had some significant expenses this year (the septic field at our house and travel expenses to MN for Lisa's mom) and we have a bit of a shortfall in our support account going in to the next year. Would you prayerfully consider a monthly donation, maybe increasing your existing donation, or even a one time gift?

Thank you for considering our request.



We pray that you have a blessed 2025!

Doug and Lisa

A note from Lisa: At the end of summer I shared with you my anticipation for a fall season filled with some travels, crafters retreats at camp, and a couple trips to MN to see family. Well, my fall season looked a bit different. I did indeed get to do some traveling. In September I got to see Jacob in Alabama and I did have a long weekend with my sister in lower Michigan.

But, for the last 12 weeks I have spent the majority of my time in MN. My mom had several medical/health situations during that time that were not expected. Since I have done her medical appointments with her for the last 12 years, there was a lot going on that I needed to keep track of with/for her. She had several hospital stays, as well as a couple attempts at rehab. This week she finally got out of the hospital again, and was so happy to be moving on to a skilled nursing facility that will help her get stronger. It was definitely a mentally exhausting time for me. Doug was back in Wisconsin working most of that time. When he was able to be in MN his support was very much appreciated. I would make quick little trips back to WI to do my work at camp, do laundry and repack, and then back to MN again. I am thankful for my brothers and sister! We have spent LOTS of hours together advocating for our mom, visiting nursing facilities, visiting her in the hospital, and keeping track of everything. She has a lot of work ahead of her. I would ask you to please keep her in your prayers.

This past week both of our kids made trips back to MN to see their grandparents. It was a short but sweet time together. Amanda and I got to see Wicked. We saw the musical 20 years ago and so it was fun to see the movie with her. Jacob and grandma got to do a version of their TWINS baseball game tradition. They watched highlight reels from this seasons games, in their TWINS jerseys, complete with their traditional ballpark food, and even the 7th inning stretch song. She was so happy!

We also visited my dad and stepmom and got to help with a bit of Christmas decorating.

In 2 weeks we will kick off our winter camp season with WINTERFEST. Summer camp registration will open the 2nd week of January, and we will have retreats and guest groups here through the 2nd weekend in March.

I couldn't be more thankful that this all happened when it was a quieter time for me at camp. I am blessed to work for an organization that allowed me to work remotely, be with my mom and family, and prayed for all that was going on. Love you all!

