

# West Branch Trailblazer

Keeping in Touch, Seeking Your Prayer and Involvement

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### **Upcoming Ministry**

**MARCH** 

3.18-19 Men on the Move Williams, AZ

#### APRII

- 4.3-7 Sun & Shield Baptist Church Marana, AZ
- 4.10-13 Gilson Wash Baptist Church San Carlos, AZ
- 4.17 Northland Baptist Church Flagstaff, AZ
- 4.30 Ladies Spring Getaway Flagstaff, AZ

#### 2016 West Branch Events

- 3.18-19 Men on the Move Williams, AZ
- 4.30 Ladies Spring Getaway Flagstaff, AZ
- 6.5-7.30 Arizona Youth Challenge
- 6.11-7.9 Summer Camps
- 8.27 Family Success
  Saturday Flagstaff A7
- 9.12 Arizona Regional Youth Conference. Phoenix area
- 10.21-22 Men on the Move Fort Collins. CO

# You Have to Start in Order to Finish

This is a new experience for us. Having had the Lord supply over \$200,000 in the past year, we believe we have all the money we need to complete the projects required to give us full occupancy of the campsite. We just need to get the work done. In some cases, we just need to get the work started!

After a very wet and initially cold winter, we were forced to wait for snow to melt and, consequentially, the ground to dry. That has mostly happened. Barring an additional large snow fall, we should be in good shape. Contractors will be handling all the sanitation installation and much of the water and propane systems installation. The contractors are highly regarded and usually work quickly. We are a bit antsy to see them get going to give us as much time as possible on the back end to have local officials okay their work and grant us occupancy. Would you pray for smooth work progress without major interruptions (i.e. big snowfall)?



Five 10,000 gallon tanks were delivered to West Branch recently. Three will be used for the fire protection system and two for the fresh water system. Water lines, pumps, and other materials are ordered and paid for. Most of the work on the new food storage commissary is complete.



In January, three volunteers from Iowa completed the flooring in our first aid building and prepped our open air auditorium for screening. This month we have volunteers from Kingman and Catalina, Arizona, doing various projects in the cabins and first aid building. A friend in the HVAC business has promised labor and parts to complete the hookup between

#### **Prayer Requests**

Completion of the sanitation, water and propane projects

Final Summer staff needs

#### **Project Status**

**Sanitation**- ground breaking imminent

Water- tanks have arrived, other materials ordered, work scheduled

Fire protection- volunteer work group scheduled, tanks have arrived

Propane system- licensed plumber scheduled

**Kitchen commissary**- in progress

#### Workers Needed

**Construction**- water tank sheds, install vent stacks, softball backstop

**Plumbing**- sink drains & faucet supply lines, fire hydrant & supply lines

Finish- dry wall. FRP. paint

**Electrical**- service for water and sanitation systems

## Stay Connected

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the cabins and the water and propane systems. Things are coming along!

In April we have workers lined up to make some minor modifications to the cabins that the health department is requiring. Another group from Virginia is coming to pour concrete pads for the large water tanks. A friend from California will make some modifications to our mobile commercial kitchen. Yet another group is set to help on the first weekend in May on a project yet to be decided.

As we near the summer schedule (Campers are registered already, by the way!), would you pray for the work that needs to be complete? If you are close enough, perhaps you could donate some time and skill for one to three days before mid-May? Check "Workers Needed" in the left column to see how you might be able to help.

# Welcoming the Duncans

Several years ago, Dennis and Lynda Duncan expressed their interest in relocating to West Branch from western Tennessee. For a few years, we prayed for the sale of their home so that they could join us as full-time volunteers. God just did not allow.



More than a year after we had all accepted that it was not the Lord's will, God sold the house without it even being on the market. Now, in the Lord's timing, the Duncans have just arrived at West Branch ready to help care for the camp property.

The Duncans will help with various local *West Branch on the Move* events and in the summer camp program as well. They are great people with a heart to serve the Lord and to serve people.

As future work groups and campers come to the facility, they will find a friendly smile from Bro. Dennis and Miss Lynda. It won't be long now until we are finished welcoming them and instead they will be welcoming others with us to this ministry.

## **Summer Staff Needs**



As we prepare for three camp weeks this summer, we are actively recruiting Bible college students to serve as counselors. While we have most of our staff lined up, we could still use a male counselor and a college-aged young lady to cook.

Volunteering for four weeks (including staff training) is a very rewarding experience for any young person. Each one makes a difference. God uses that volunteer to help others while he gets to be helped himself by the daily Bible preaching and great atmosphere.

If you know of any young people who would be interested in working with us this summer, please contact us. Counselors need to have completed at least two semesters in a West Branch approved Christian college. A kitchen staff member would need to take a short online food handler's course that could be completed in several hours.