

GOD AT WORK - SUMMER 2003, BYDGOSZCZ, POLAND

It's a thrill to write you that the Lord has once again, during the summer weeks, given us the joy of seeing young people and children come to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior! Thank you for your part in this by praying and helping in the cause of sharing the good news of our Savior through our summer camping ministry! So what's been happening?

During the summer weeks we had a privilege to run four summer evangelistic camps. Two of them were for high and collage students at Ocwieka camp site, another one for kids in a small village of Ciele (nearby Bydgoszcz) and another one for kids at Ocwieka. Let's recapitulate what the Lord let us to experience this summer...

Ocwieka Youth Camps 2003

„I'll be dancing in front of Your throne and I will give you Glory, and nothing will shut my mouth, any wall or even the biggest dam will not stop me anymore...” – that song was undoubtedly the biggest hit of this year's youth camps in Ocwieka... Just like every year more than 200 young people spent holidays at the Christian youth camps at the campsite, which belongs to our church. There were people from “different worlds” – some of them were raised in wealthy families, some of them grew up in houses where alcohol, drugs and arguments are everyday life. Most of the teenagers came to Ocwieka only to have some good time and meet new people... When they were singing that song they were only enjoying the music. The camps despite being full of laughter, games and fun, were, above all, the amazing testimony of God's power. During the summer we could see how God can change even the most hardened hearts and how people were falling on their knees and crying out to Jesus, whom they were accepting as a personal Savior and friend... While leaving, the campers were singing the very same song with a completely different motivation – their voices and hearts were praising the Lord...

Our 2003 Children Camps

Ciele Outreach Camp 2003...

Maybe you heard the wonderful stories about what happened with young people in that village in the past. This time we shared the Gospel with kids...

Between June 30th and July 3rd, in Ciele, a day camp for children from that area took place. Last year in the same place there was a youth camp and at the same time we were organizing games and classes for children. That's why this year's camp was not a complete surprise for kids. Everyday about 50 children could hear the gospel. Sometimes the curious parents were coming and we could also talk to them about God. The Biblical classes were carried on by Wojtek and Kasia Borys, who work with the Christian Society “Love, Education, Maturity”. Young and older people from our church and also inhabitants of Ciele were involved in the ministry. Every day of the camp looked similar... Morning program – Bible class, games, contests, then a break for lunch and an afternoon program – also with the Bible class. The children were learning songs with smile and also enjoyed the motions. Time of games was a great time for conversations with children. 6 children were talking to Wojtek about their salvation. They made the decision to live with Jesus. For all of us, it is certainly the subject for prayers. In the end, each of the campers was given a Bible.

Ocwieka 2003 – Children Camp

„There is a time for everything” wrote Salomon and he was absolutely right in what he said. A few days ago some of us were still enjoying vacation and now the school and work has already started... The vacation is past and

memories... Let's come back to some memories of the last camp in Ocwieka, the camp for children which took place in August 19-28.

Every year more and more children come to the camp. This year we had more than 50 children from different cities. Like every camp, this one was a surprise for us. In the beginning we didn't know what we should expect, but after some hours the atmosphere started to be really warm. The children enjoyed the program very much. Sometimes they had organized activities; sometimes they were only making friends with others. Except fun and sport the kids had also the opportunity to hear the gospel. One of the new ideas at this year's camp was reading the Christian literature to the children in small groups in the evening. That idea turned out to be great and I really recommend starting it at our houses!

And again, thanks to God who cared for us we didn't have any accident except for one broken hand, twisted leg and some bruises... The camp went really fast, and the last hours were full of sadness and tears... Many children are planning to meet again next year... I am really happy that God blessed us through the camp, which is certainly the result of your prayers...

Looking forward... summer camps 2004

We are looking for American teams or individuals to come to minister with us at our youth and children camps next summer. There are various camps and various ministry opportunities. We start with June 27 and go until the end of August, however major opportunities appear from June 27 till the end July. If you are interested then send me a word and we will give you details and answer your specific questions. We'll be pleased to hear back from you!

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