



Siloam's Ministry of Giving (2 Corinthians 8:6)

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Dear Siloam Bible camp friends and investors

Our Bible camps in Poland are hosted by Pastor Marek and his wife Iwona Ciak. This dedicated couple who live in Goldap on the northeast corner of Poland have been associated with Siloam for many years since the time we gave them hospitality in our former mission house when they came to practice their English after a time at Bible College.

Although Poland is a growing economy and the people are extremely hard-working as witnessed by many of us who know them as neighbours and colleagues, there is a vast spiritual hunger which many try to fill with the temporary relief that alcohol and drugs can bring. Siloam takes this opportunity to minister to youngsters in Poland by making it possible for Marek and Iwona Ciak to organise children's Bible camps.

Our brochure enclosed features photos from our 2018 camp in the Carpathian Mountains which is on the southern border of Poland at Piwniczna Zdroj. The train journey was over 300 miles to the south, followed by 87 miles in a bus so the 67 children and the 12 helpers travelled with great anticipation that the long journey would be worth it.

Taking children away from their negative home situations and providing a break in a Christian atmosphere which our Bible camps afford, attempt to rescue young people from a lost eternity by bringing them into a personal confrontation with the life-changing gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Siloam knows of no better way to prevent a child from becoming addicted to alcohol or entrapped in narcotics than to expose them to a far more positive side of life which can be shown to them briefly during a Bible camp.

Each morning there were times of devotions before breakfast, followed by a period when the leadership team could impart some spiritual truth into the young lives entrusted to them. The theme of the camp was 'The Son's Mountain' which tried to show in a very graphic and pictorial way how to get wisdom needed for everyday life including the skills and abilities which are so helpful



This doesn't translate very well into English but it basically means 'try to follow the wisdom of the owl and seek the Will of God.'



The 67 youngsters were divided into 6 smaller groups so that the 9 adults on staff and the 3 teenage helpers could make a greater impact on the lives of the youngsters in their care.



The camp put on very tasty meals and the girls even enjoyed breakfast when it included sausages and yoghurt.

Many of these young people come from homes which are ruined by alcohol. Often mother and father live apart or unemployment blights the family so these precious children deserve to be shown an alternative lifestyle glorifying the Kingdom of God.

"Train up a child in the way (he) (she) should go; and when he/she is older, they will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22: 6

After the long journey to the south of Poland, the youngsters really enjoyed the magnificent scenery in the Carpathian Mountains.



when dealing with conflicts. The intention was to show the youngsters another side of life which could be enjoyed if their lives were surrendered to the Saviour. Each one of these precious young souls could later turn out to be a Christian politician or teacher or someone who could exercise great influence in Poland's future.

We know from past testimonies that lives have indeed been changed and volunteer helpers often witness the dramatic change in a youngster's life after they have committed themselves to following Jesus Christ.

Each camp place costs £6.35 per day per child which we believe is a wise investment in the Kingdom of God. Altogether, the camp was funded by Siloam supporters who donated £4,000.00 so that 67 youngsters and the hosting team of 12 could arrange this programme which we know can have a dramatic effect on many of the youngsters who attended the camp.

Just look at the photos in our brochure which really 'speak volumes' as they say, and give you some idea of the activities enjoyed last summer.

Siloam believes by interspersing spiritual input together with challenging sport activities and outside recreation, we can minister to the whole child or young person. By giving the opportunity to enjoy handicrafts such as pottery, as well as visiting places of interest and seeing new sites and places of beauty help to give a youngster a positive attitude of themselves and build up their self-worth as they come to realise they can indeed become sons and daughters of the Living God.

Please take time also to look at our prayer budget card which will challenge you with how much Siloam hopes to raise this summer to fund this camp in Poland as well as others in the Ukraine, Peru, Romania and Bulgaria.

There really is no better way you could invest £100 or £50, £25 or even just £10, than to enable one or more youngsters to attend one of our Bible camps this summer.

Please pray before you invest and ask the Holy Spirit to challenge you as to how much you should share with Siloam to reach the lives of these vulnerable youngsters we seek to win for the Kingdom of God.

I will be praying for your positive response and your committed partnership in the forthcoming harvest.

Yours sincerely on behalf of these youngsters we want to reach for Christ this summer

Richard Norton
Director-Siloam UK



P.S. As an alternative to our popular children's outreach, you may feel you want to provide for Siloam's project in Israel – 'Love to the Needy' about which I am enclosing a postcard for you to just consider – thank you.



We try to instil youngsters to have confidence in themselves as sons and daughters of the Living God, something we believe will empower their young lives.



The older group went by bus to Slovakia to enjoy the Aqua City Water Park at Poprad where they enjoyed many attractions.

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Reaching underprivileged children in Poland

with a Christian holiday that could forever change their young lives.

Waving to the camp sponsors while crossing the River Poprad.



Siloam's
Bible camp budget
for summer 2019

Poland	£ 4,000
Romania	£ 4,000
Peru	£ 4,000
Bulgaria	£ 5,000
Ukraine	£ 7,000
Total	£24,000



This resort in the Carpathian Mountains afforded beautiful views and an opportunity for children to enjoy attractions that are not available in their home town of Goldap.

The lodge provided very tasty meals which were prepared in their own kitchen. Many children don't always enjoy 3 meals a day at home so this was a real treat.

The dividend on your investment with Siloam this summer will be realised in eternity!!

A trip to the Aqua City Park provided water attractions which many youngsters enjoyed for the first time.

Seventy children and teenagers took part in last year's camp on the southern border of Poland with Slovakia.



These photos feature our Bible camp in August 2018 in Pivniczna Zdroj.



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Each child's 8 day holiday at camp costs less than £58.00!

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The days were full of physical activities which allowed the children to participate in team competitions.

Everyday our host Pastor Marek Ciak provided important spiritual input focussing on the theme of the week 'The Son's Mountain.' The aim was to get the children to seek godly wisdom and to learn skills and abilities to cope with everyday life.



Worship times are important and in Poland many children are blessed with artistic musical talents which were encouraged during the camp.



The children were divided into 6 groups so that competitions of all kinds could be arranged. Volleyball favourite and the facilities were ideal for our group.



A trip to the town of Rytyo provided a wonderful outdoor swimming pool which was really appreciated because of the excellent August weather during the time of the camp.



Handicrafts play an important part and enable visually express their hopes and fears about the

Our 2018 budget

Accommodation.....	£ 2,710.00
Transport	£ 840.00
Teaching material	£ 120.00
Prizes.....	£ 50.00
Medicines	£ 10.00
Entry tickets to attractions ..	£ 210.00
Insurance	£ 60.00
Total	£4,000.00



In the evening times the children would participate in a time of worship as well as taking part in quizzes for which they

your investment could provide a life-changing day at this year's Bible camp in Poland.



Please send your investment for this year's Bible camps by 31st August 2019 – thanks.



A trip to Stara Lubowia was one of two day long excursions the children enjoyed. Here the children could watch a predatory bird show featuring owls, falcons and eagles.



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The cooks and staff at the lodge did their best to provide food which the children really enjoyed. Croissants, jam rolls and apple biscuits were among the children's favourites



Everyday the group would learn a verse of scripture that they would be tested on at the end of the week. By imparting biblical truth into young minds, Siloam believes we can save a child from a lost eternity.



Learning by example and practical illustration is an important way to teach young people biblical truth. Here an enactment of Jesus washing the disciple's feet gave a practical example of sharing Christian love to those we seek to win for Christ.



the children to their uncertain futures.

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By changing the way a young person thinks in a positive way, can open up a whole new world of opportunity for them to live lives pleasing to God.



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On another excursion the children visited Smuszyna Zdroj where they enjoyed a pottery workshop.



Being awarded with a prize for winning a competition helps to build confidence and enhances self-worth.



Many of these youngsters showed great interest in the Word of God as the week progressed and there has been some fruit after last year's camp which is what we are hoping to achieve again.

Pastor Marek Ciak encourages the children to get godly wisdom so they can cope with conflicts and plan their future lives. They are encouraged to learn to rely on God to show them direction.

Self-funding volunteers are always welcome to visit our Bible camps providing they meet all the Child Protection regulations and criteria.



One group paddling in the Poprad River cooling off in the August heat. Excursions to distant places of beauty are an important factor to include in a successful Bible camp.

We were grateful that we were helped by 9 adults on staff and 3 older teenagers who acted as assistants. Monica is a teacher and a behavioural therapist she was a great asset, who works with youth professionally.



Thank you for helping to make this camp a success last August. – Please help Siloam to do it again this year.