



Peak 7 Adventures
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December 1, 2009

Dear Peak 7 Supporter,

I have some wonderful news! You may have already heard this but I wanted to let everyone know. When we sent out our last quarterly newsletter I made a huge mistake. For the content of the newsletter I looked up how much we had left to raise in order to achieve the matching grant for this year (if we raise 150K we would receive an additional 50K). I quickly looked it up and put in the newsletter that all we had left to raise was 23K.

On Tuesday the 8th of September, I started thinking that 23K was a wrong number. I went back into our accounting software and ran the numbers and boy, did I make a mistake. We still had over 60K to raise by the end of the year to achieve the goal of 150K. **OUCH**, that was a slight mistake if you ask me.

As you can imagine I started worrying about it. I wondered what I could do or say in the next newsletter to fix the mistake. I also wondered what I should tell our angel donors that are supplying the matching grant! I told Loran about my mistake and prayed about it.

On Thursday the 10th of September, I was working at my desk thinking about how I was supposed to handle this issue. I received a phone call from a lady who tells me that she is donating 50K to Peak 7. At first I wanted to hang up the phone thinking it was a sales person. But, before I could, she told me that she was the sister of a man that ran a boys home in Spokane. Peak 7 has provided trips for the boys in this home over the last few years. The woman informed me that her brother had passed away suddenly. As she was going through his belongings, she found a Peak 7 brochure on his desk with a hand written note of his saying "Great organization!" She knew he would have wanted to use a portion of his estate to support Peak 7. She also said that they had a bunch of camping, climbing and winter gear that we could have if we would like.

Last Thursday and Saturday we went and picked up climbing gear, skis, and snowboards. We were also given a **\$50,000** check as well as a **15 passenger** van that only has **10,000** miles on it!

Amazing, in the blink of an eye God took our deficit from over 60K to under 20K and provides a vehicle that will help us out in running programs for Seattle. Also, we got winter gear to help us start our winter program. Not to mention saving me the embarrassment of having to explain my inadvertent error! The Lord sure goes above and beyond when He blesses us.

Thank you for your support, it certainly makes a difference,

Sincerely,

Ryan Kerrigan
Executive Director

Jehovah Jireh - "the Lord will provide"

Matthew 7:7



HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS

-A STORY OF ONE GIRL'S TRIALS-

Sarah*, just 18, left her home for the streets at the age of 13 because she became pregnant with her uncle's child. He had been raping her since she was a little girl. She gave birth to a little boy who was immediately taken by CPS and placed in foster care. Sarah learned later that he died, but she was not allowed to attend the funeral. By the age of 14 she was living on the street, heading for a heavy addiction to meth. She learned how to survive, but not much else for the next 3 years. She told me she slept on a ramp behind a church in West-Central, Spokane for nearly a year. The pastor of the church allowed her and others she travelled with to sleep there. On Thursday evenings they would come in for coffee and small chats about God. She liked these conversations. About this time she was able to get her head above her meth addiction and began taking classes to-

wards her GED at Crosswalk (youth homeless shelter). She also started going to A Cup of Cool Water (one of our partnering ministries, a drop-in center for street kids in downtown Spokane). I asked her why she liked it there...

"It's safe. A place where I can feel clean and be in a clean environment."

Sarah had been diagnosed with epilepsy when she was young, but when she turned 18, she went to the doctor because something in her head just wasn't right. They found a brain tumor that had attached itself to the top of her spinal cord and was about the size of a golf ball. They gave her two options: Have the surgery with a 10 percent chance of survival and guaranteed paralysis or do nothing and have about 6 months to live.

Sarah chose the 6 months. I asked her what she would like to do with her 6

months and she said she wanted to venture out of Washington. She said as a little girl she dreamed about seeing California, Texas, Chicago... 'everywhere.'

I accompanied her on her dream trip. At the end of the trip, we were sharing our favorite parts about the adventure. Sarah said,

"This has been the best day of my life." And then she thanked God for it.

I just wanted to thank all of you for being a part of making little glimpses of hope, love and joy possible for these kids that we get to spend time with on our trips.

I also want to ask for prayer for Sarah. That she would be able to place all of her trust in the Lord and rely on Him for strength.

- Ashley Paul

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

2009 Budget: \$250,000 | Income YTD: \$218,952

Support & Revenues	2008	2009 YTD
Individuals	\$ 70,616	\$ 70,750
Churches	8,320	13,698
Corporations	32,225	94,064
Angel Donor	50,000	25,000
Board Members	20,591	15,440
Total Support	\$ 181,752	\$ 218,952
Gift-In-Kind - non-cash (food & gear)	82,558	93,513



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SEEING GOD'S HAND

- God provided the money needed to meet our matching donor.
- An unbelievable 15-passenger van donated to Peak 7 by the John Tyler Ranch.
- God has already lined up trips for next summer.
- God has provided us with lots of applicants for summer staff.
- 134 kids being reached for the gospel for 5 intense days.

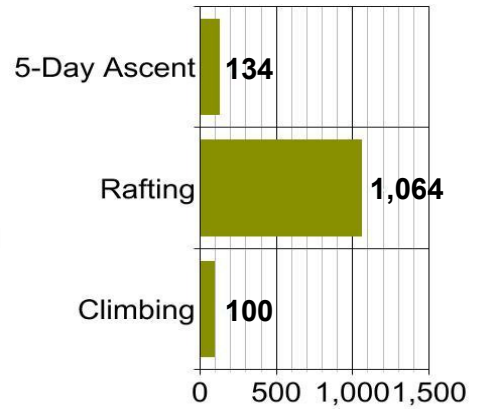
YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK

- AN OVERVIEW OF THE SEASON AND IT'S NUMBERS -

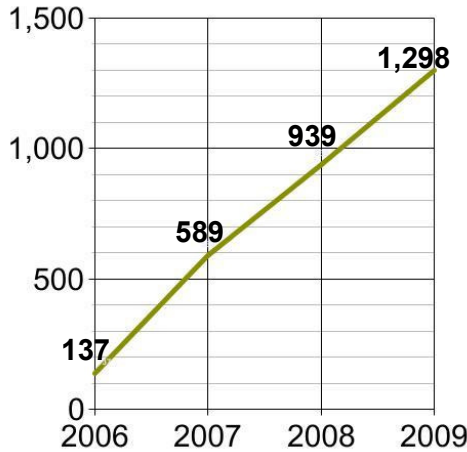
WHO COVERS THE COST OF TRIPS



TRIP NUMBER BREAKDOWN 2009



NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS



PRAYER REQUESTS

- We are having difficulty getting permits for Ascent trips. Please pray that doors will be opened up.
- We are hiring a Seattle Area Director. Pray for the right person to be hired.
- Safety and opportunities with kids as we pilot our winter programs

YEAR-END FUNDRAISING GOAL

- HELP US RAISE \$20,000 -

For over four years we have literally seen God incredibly meet our needs through faithful supporters, Churches, grants, one time gifts, gifts-in-kind and businesses. We are continuing to grow despite the economy. That is a testament that the Lord is the captain of this ship. We are trusting God that this is where He wants us to be and with that we know that He will provide.

Our goal is to raise **\$20,000** by the end of this year to help fund our programs and activities for 2010. Peak 7 relies strictly on the generosity of you partner-

ing with us financially to allow ministry to take place. Would you please consider making a financial contribution to the ministry of Peak 7?

We are truly grateful for those that will join us in prayer and financial support.

May our Lord be honored in all that we do!

- Ryan Kerrigan
 Executive Director



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