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Kile's Korner

Hebrews 6:10-12, MSG "God doesn't miss anything. He knows perfectly well all the love you've shown him by helping needy Christians, and that you keep at it. And now I want each of you to extend that same intensity toward a full-bodied hope, and keep at it till the finish. Don't drag your feet. Be like those who stay the course with committed faith and then get everything promised to them."

Greetings once again from the pen of the president. It is a joy to serve the Master. As I write this, we are saddened because of the loss of a dear friend and leader in the denomination, Dr. John Seaman. He was District Superintendent of the Michigan District, and was a missionary for many years. What an inspiration his life was!

Also, our prayers are with our own Debbie Bennett and her family. Her mother passed from this life to heaven on April 14. We love and appreciate Debbie and her parents, Harold and Delta Allen, for their many years of commitment and service to ROAM. Please join me in keeping them in our prayers.

Through it all, we were blessed to celebrate Easter and our risen Savior who makes life and death so much more meaningful for us. The passage from Hebrews (above) tells us that God doesn't miss anything. It reminds us to stay the course, keep on keeping on. It's a blessing to give of ourselves in our golden years to help others. God bless you and your families.

As always, work hard, have fun, and be safe!

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Welcome New ROAM Members

Bill and Casey Borden - Livingston, TX
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Meet the Levensgoods

We are Bruce and Helen Levensgood from Pottstown, Pa. God has blessed us with four children (which include our daughter in law and son in law), five granddaughters and one grandson ranging from ages 10 to 21 years of age. Bruce had been working at a private boy's school as the Grounds Supervisor for 22 years and Helen taught preschool and kindergarten for 26 years and then became the church secretary when God called us to pastor our church, which we did for 10 years. Before that, we served in Marriage Ministry for 5 years which included ministering to marriages and raising up other leaders to minister to marriages.

In January of 2016, God led us to pass the mantle of pastorship. A friend of ours had told us about ROAM a few years prior, and we felt that this was an area where God could use us not only to serve in whatever way we could physically, but also to be able to minister to those who God would bring across our path, all the while being able to see other parts of the country. We have been involved in three projects so far. We served at Higher Grounds Camp in Indiana last June and again in September which was a great blessing. We recently served at Lake Placid, Florida. the month of February. While there we enjoyed our time working with so many others and making so many new friends.

We look forward to where God will take us next on our journey with Him as we trust Him with all our hearts, not leaning on our own understanding, but in all our ways acknowledging Him. As we do this, we know that He will direct our paths (Pr. 3:5-6).



Think Outside the Box

by Duane and Jean Morford (Eastern Regional Representatives)

While we were in South Texas this winter, I realized that people in the south don't have the same issues with weather that those of us who come from the more northern states have. They have no need to "go south" to escape the winter weather. What they need is to "go north" to escape the heat and humidity of the summer months. While I was contemplating this thought, some research on [The Weather Channel](#) shows me that we can continue our volunteering in some more comfortable, but very beautiful, places during June, July and August. I found there are at least 16 projects that would be very comfortable places to work during these months.

If you are in the mood for a good road trip, **Maranatha Camp** in Alaska, www.akcamp.org, is a great place to start. The first year we were on the road, we drove our motor home to Alaska and spent the summer working there. What a delightful experience. We found the roads to be much better than we had thought they would be, although you still have to watch out for the frost heaves in the roads.

If you are looking for a place closer, **Pinelow Camp** in Loon Lake, WA, www.pinelow.com has temperatures almost as cool as Alaska but it is not nearly as far! We have not been there but the pictures on their website really make me want to go!

If the east coast is calling your name this year, there are several projects to choose from. **Living Waters Camp**, www.lwcamp.com, is just across the lake from New Brunswick, Canada. We visited with camp directors Roger and Karen Black last summer and know they would love to have you come work with them. The average highs in Danforth, ME, in June, July and August are in the mid to upper 70's. Nice!

The Nazarene Camp in New Hampshire, **Windsor Hills**, also has average high temperatures in the mid to up 70's during the summer. Windsor Hills is located in the southern part of New Hampshire. You can find pictures and more information about this camp at www.whcamp.org.

In the northeast there are also two camps in New York and a camp in Pennsylvania. **Brooktondale Camp**, www.brooktondalecamp.com, is the district camp for the Upstate New York District and **Taconic Retreat Center**, www.taconicrcc.net, is the district camp for the Metro New York District. **Mount Chestnut Nazarene Retreat Center**, www.pghnazarene.org/index.php/mt-chestnut-retreat-center-mainmenu-90, in Butler, PA, serves the Pittsburgh District. Although the temperatures are a bit higher at these camps, they are both MUCH cooler with lower humidity than many of us are used to during the summer.

If the northeast or northwest are not on your schedule this year, how about a project in the upper Midwest. There are two Nazarene Camps in Michigan. **Water's Edge Camp** at Howell, www.watersedgecamp.org and **Indian Lake Camp**, www.nazcamp.org at Vicksburg are always looking for volunteers to help in their ministry. Also in the Midwest, in Rochester, MN, is **Nazarene Well House**, www.nazwellhouse.com. This facility provides quality, affordable, bed & breakfast style accommodations for any Mayo Clinic patient or their family. While there is not a need for more than one couple at a time, Rick and Linda would welcome the help as they minister to people who must be away from home at Mayo Clinic.

Well, I think maybe you get the idea. Other places that would be great to work at during the summer are **Bonita Park Nazarene Camp**, www.bonitapark.com and **Gallup Church of the Nazarene**, www.gallupnaz.org, who has a ministry to the homeless of their community. Both of these projects are in New Mexico.

Two of our newer projects, **Bloxom Nazarene Church**, www.bloxomchurchofthenazarene.org, on the DelMarVa Peninsula of Virginia and **The Billy Graham Training Center at the Cove**, www.thecove.org in Asheville, NC, would be good places to work during the hot summer months!

Hopefully you are now inspired to find a "new to you" place to work and expand your horizons as well as share your God given gifts with other. You also might share this information with fellow RVers from the south who may not be ROAMers yet.

Greetings From The Southwest

by Randy and Cindy Woods (Southwest Regional Representatives)

Greetings from the Southwest, Fellow ROAMers! Cindy and I had time to visit some of the projects on our region this spring, and we would love to share a quick update about some of them with you. We have a few photos that might give you an idea of the need at these projects. If you would like more information, please call

or email. We would be more than happy to talk with you. Thank you in advance for all that you do in service to others!

LA in the summer??!! Yes, in this coastal area. Or any time year-round. Come see the city and the beach while you work here.

Maywood Church – Los Angeles. This is a small church that needs a team to come in and make the necessary repairs in a timely manner. The weather is coastal, meaning the work could be done any time of the year. They have three RV spots with water and 110 power. The waste would need a macerator pump for now.



There are cracks in the sanctuary ceiling that need repaired, then painted. A team would be great, since there are several pews that need to be moved and scaffolding set up to reach the high ceiling. There are two other rooms that need painted as well.

The original chapel is being remodeled to provide more classes and worship space.

This building next to the church needs to be removed for safety reasons. It has power, water and sewer to the building. These could possibly be utilized by RV's as well.

Border Initiative in El Paso, TX. Keep in mind that this is Texas and summers can be hot. But some like it hot.

This project has a large house that can accommodate 40-50 participants for retreats and special events. There are even trips into Mexico for projects. This serves as a base for the projects as well as conferences.



The pool from the previous owners needs to be removed due to safety and liability issues. Therefore, it is now a priority. An equipment operator would be quite welcome and many hands to help clean up.

The upstairs tub and shower need to be converted to multiple shower stalls and add additional toilets to the other side of the bathroom.

The drain in the middle of the driveway needs a grate made to cover this hole instead of the metal plate. There are also small projects like painting, cleaning, and general maintenance.

Have you picked your camp for the year?? Come help in beautiful New Mexico!

Bonita Park Retreat and Conference Center is in New Mexico at 7000 feet. The park suffered severe fire damage 5 years ago, but it has, and is, making great strides to rebuild. They would love for ROAMers to help with serving meals to the campers. They also have four buildings that were donated that need some TLC. They have full hook ups for all that are willing to help. They even have a Giant Slide!!



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