

### It Is Finished!

#### After working through the fall and winter, the new dining hall is ready for use!

The new dining hall is operational. It will seat over 400 people at one time. It features a large gathering hall that allows people to line up in an air conditioned environment away from the weather. The gathering hall also features large bathrooms and a hand washing station. The eating area features 2 new serving lines, new self-serve stations, 2 Coke machines, and a flavored Tea machine. In addition, for our coffee lovers, the dining hall also has a coffee, cappuccino, espresso, and hot chocolate machine. The kitchen has also been expanded and upgraded. The new refrigerator and freezer accommodates enough food for us to serve campers effectively. This expansion has completely changed and improved the dining and overall experience at ABC. It has also expanded the number of people that ABC is capable of ministering to at one time.



# Extreme Digital Makeover - www.abccamp.com

Our web site has been updated and is now loaded with many user friendly options.

We invite you to check out and use the new www.abccamp.com. We have many new features, pictures, and information. Our new web site design will be easier to update and is more user friendly for first time guests and those that have been part of the ABC family for many years.

Some of the features include:

- Online Summer Camp Registration
- Electronic Registration, Payments, and Donations
- Previous Newsletters and Reports
- Link to our Facebook Page for Pictures, Videos, and Comments
- Updated Information about Programming and Events

### Acadian Baptist Center Staff

Manager: James Newsom Administrative Asst.: Peggy Watson Maintenance Director: Keith Langley Asst. Maintenance: Anthony Matthews Outdoor Education Director: Guy Atkinson Security: Caleb Taylor

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Part Time Office/Outdoor Ed.: Gregg Gilmore

Cooks: Lynette Prather Debbie Breaux Tammy Johnson Shelia Lejeune Maria Taylor

Housekeeping: Sharon Middlebrooks Mary Jennings Laurie Doucet Carmen Carriere







Christian Camp and Conference Association

Please pray for our staff, student staffers, camp leaders, and those attending ABC.

### Message from the Manager

Making ABC a lighthouse for the Gospel in Louisiana.

This is an exciting time to be part of ABC.

Completion of the dining hall expansion will enable ABC to serve campers more effectively and comfortably. Even though construction has kept us busy through most of the fall and winter, it has been worth it. The new serving lines and additional seating have already been a blessing during retreats. The spacious hallway and bathrooms are a major improvement and allow congregating for meals in an air-conditioned sheltered environment. Thanks to the many volunteers, workers, and donors that made this dining hall possible.

Our retreat and conference attendance has been good this year. The summer camp attendance looks very promising, with several camps already starting to fill up. We have hired our summer staffers and have begun training them for the summer. Please be in prayer for them as they serve.

Thank you to our volunteers from : FBC New Iberia, FBC Monterey, Bayou Vista Baptist Church. Prairie Grove Christian Church from Arkansas, The Duggers, The Millers, and Campers On Mission.

Together with our donors, staff, board, and supporters we will continue to be a lighthouse for the Gospel in Louisiana.

Thank you for the privilege of serving you these years,

James Newsom

### **Back To School Youth Retreat & SYATP**

August 13th—14th. Grades:7th-12th.

This is a yearly retreat held at ABC that is designed to get teenagers inspired for God as they enter school. This year the speakers are Blaine St. Germain & Gregg Gilmore with worship lead by Greg Stevens. The theme of this retreat is "Revolution" and the cost is \$30.00. This retreat is also used to promote "See You At The Pole" (SYATP) to your students. ABC also hosts an annual rally for "See You At The Pole". This year the rally will be on September 18th. Please call or email ABC if you are interested in bringing a group to either the retreat or the rally.

### **Emily Raegan Cabin Completed**

#### We now have a third cabin for your family to stay at ABC.

The third cabin is designed to accommodate a family of 2 to 4 people. Families can rent out the cabins for a getaway to the outdoors with the conveniences of running water and electricity. Families can rent out this cabin or one of the other



family cabins for \$50.00 per night. Additionally, pastors and ministers can rent the cabins for a time of rest and relaxation at no charge.

The Emily Raegan Cabin features a Kitchenette (mini refrigerator, stove, microwave), futon couch, dining area, master bedroom, porch swing, and bathroom. The cabins are located on the south side of camp with easy access to the swimming pool, pond, and the new dining hall.







YEC 2010 is in Lafayette this Year.

Call ABC about having your group stay on campus!

Dining Hall Expansion Financial Update

Total Building Related Cost: \$713,654.67

Chairs & Serving Line Cost: \$53,392.50

Total Cost:

\$767,047.17

Money Raised:

\$360,982.57

Loans:

\$380,000.00

Out of ABC Budget: \$26,064.60

### Team Building - "Bring your group TOGETHER"

Activities available for adult and student groups.

The low ropes course is great place to have a group outing. Adult and/or Student groups can benefit from participating in the "Challenge by Choice" low ropes course and other team building activities. The events and activities are designed to test and improve communication, listening, encouragement, physical, and mental skills. These activities can also produce some great pictures for your group. Some of the activities include: The Mohawk Walk, Zig-Zag,

Teeter-Totter, The Spider Web, TP Shuffle, Rope Cuffs, and Traffic Jam. The Team Building activities can be done as a one day event or as part of a multi day retreat. The activities work well for church groups, schools,

social clubs, teams, and businesses.

## **Acadian Outdoor School**

#### A great Outdoor Education resource to Public, Private, and Home Schools.

Acadian Outdoor School is a great place for schools to bring their students for a field trip. Students can participate in team building activities as well as classes that teach about animals, ecosystem, archery, compass skills, and more. Teachers, parents, and students have the opportunity to improve their relationships with others as well as learn outside of the classroom. A day or multi day trip can be tailored to public or private schools or to a home school group. This year many of the teachers and parents that have participated in the outdoor education program have expressed interest in sending their kids to other events/activities at ABC.

### **Church Picnic**

FBC Chataignier celebrates its annual picnic at ABC.





**Fellowship** Hamburgers **Volley Ball** Swimming & Tigger playing with the children!





### **Donations**

Be part of the ministry of ABC through prayer, volunteer service, or donations.

Memorial Gift	I Want To Help Build The Ministry Of ABC	In-Kind Donations
In Memory or Honor of:	Name:	Suggested Items:
Given By:	Address:	Lawn Equipment Golf Cart/4 Wheelers Drinking Water Fountains
Address:	City:	Canoes & Paddles Sports Equipment
City/State/Zip:	State: Zip:	Table & Chairs Program
Phone:	Phone:	We are in need of additional tables
Please Send Acknowledgement To:	ABC can count on my prayer support! ABC can count on my volunteer service!	and chairs for our new cafeteria. Each Table cost \$130.00 and each
Name:	ABC can count on my financial support!	chair cost \$50.00.
Address:	\$ a Month for For a Total 36 Months amount of: \$   -OR-	I would like to donate Tables. I would like to donate Chairs
City/State/Zip:	One time Gift of: \$	Total amount of donation: \$

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Please make checks and mail donation and form to ABC. Giving can also be done on-line through our website. All gifts are Tax-Deductable.

### **Acadian Baptist Center Upcoming Events**

**SUMMER 2010:** 

May 31-June 4: EQUESTRIAN CAMP Directors: Terry & Kitty LeBlanc Ages 8 and up Cost: \$300.00

June 7-11: DAY CAMP Directors: Chris & Emily Campo Grades: K-3 Cost: \$75.00

June 14-18: MISSIONS CAMP (Live! Love!) Personalities: Danielle Johnson, Brett Thornton & Aaron Watson Grades: 1-8 Cost: \$145.00

June 21-25: FUEGO YOUTH CAMP Personalities: Kenny Dean, Aaron Watson & Johnny Derouen Grades: 7-12 Cost: \$150.00 (Sold Out)

July 12-15: PRE-TEEN CAMP: The Ambition Tour Personalities: Clear Ministries Grades: 3-6 Cost: \$135.00

July 19-23: YOUTH CAMP: ER-Under Construction Personalities: Chip Dickey and "The Heard" Grades: 7-12 Cost: \$145.00

July 26-29: PRE-TEEN CAMP: *The Race-Under Construction* Personalities: Chip Dickey and "The Heard" Grades: 3-6 Cost: \$135.00









FUTURE EVENTS:

Back-To-School Youth Retreat August 13-14 Grades: 7-12

See You At The Pole Rally September 18 Grades: 7-12

Children's Fall Retreat November 12-13 Grades: 1-6

Winter Youth Retreat December 17-18 Grades: 7-12

New Year's Eve Retreat December 30-31 Grades: 7-12



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