

# Mt. Olive, Scurry plans missions project for Daniel Springs Camp; enlisting help

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Following the 2015 summer camp for our youth, one of the sponsors approached our Mission Committee with an opportunity to assist Daniel Springs Camp with long needed repairs and other modifications to the camp facilities. A delegation from our church visited the camp to determine the needs and how could our church assist in meeting them.

We met with Jason Prewitt, Camp Director, to ascertain what goals were envisioned for the camp and what immediate objectives could be accomplished prior to the opening of the camp for the 2016 season. We reviewed an infrastructure report that had been previously published, examined the current camp situation, and determined that we could lend assistance through our 2016 mission project, which would make the camp more enjoyable and eliminate some safety concerns that were noticed.

The immediate needs were determined to be: 1) replacement of three outdoor tabernacles; 2) painting of the dining hall interior and exterior; 3) removal of the grid ceiling in the indoor tabernacle; 4) repair of the rotted timbers on the retaining walls; 5) installation of handrails at the creek crossing steps and other key locations; 6) replacement of deteriorated air conditioning ducting on several buildings; and 7) other miscellaneous painting and sealing projects.

We at Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Scurry, Texas are spear-heading a missions project to address the needs previously mentioned. We have estimated the project to require approximately \$42,000 in funding and around forty workers. Our church has pledged \$15,000 and twenty volunteers toward the project. We are seeking other churches to partner with us in this endeavor, both in monetary donations and volunteer help. Any funding received above our goal will be applied to other projects at the camp. We have sent letters to churches who have utilized Daniel Springs requesting their assistance.

We have scheduled the Mission Trip to take place the week of March 07, which coincides with most schools' spring break. However, realizing that other schools have different schedules, the core of our project team will be present at the camp the month of March.

Since multiple congregations utilize the facility, we are requesting their assistance in this endeavor. Daniel Springs Camp is an important part of our children's future in their relationship with God. The camp provides a place where God can work miracles in their lives and let them come to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior.

We envision this project to be a beginning, and with God's direction, further projects can be planned that will upgrade the camp's condition and allow the camp to continue to be a vibrant location for our children.

For further information, or perhaps participating with us, you can contact Howard Mount, 972-839-9617, or Rick Cheek, 214-234-6947. Monies can be sent directly to Daniel Springs Camp, earmarked for the mission project.