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the
Kerst Family

Chronicles of our Ministry at 

BIG SKY
BIBLE CAMP

Announcing Our
New Ministry
Home!!



We are ecstatic to be sharing with you about the ministry of Big Sky Bible Camp and the passionate missionary heart of the parent organization BCM International. We will be sharing more in the future.... but check on the other side for some info about Big Sky.

← You can also earn more about them both online!

www.bigskybiblecamp.org/

www.bcmintl.org/



Get ready Montana, here comes the
Kerst Family!!

After much prayer, conversations, and planning, we are following God's leading to move and dive into a camping ministry in Montana. Big Sky Bible Camp is growing and in need of another staff member, and by God's direction we were connected. What a wild four months it has been and a huge change it will be! We absolutely love the ministry of IdRaHaJe and have developed relationships with so many people and families in Bailey and surrounding areas. To move away from Colorado and our dear friends and family will be HARD.

That being said, we are completely certain that God is leading us to this new ministry, and we are incredibly excited to be a part of Big Sky Bible Camp! Big Sky is a dynamic and growing camp with traditional summer camps, backpacking trips, day camps, retreats and a unique ministry to kids and young adults with special needs called Camp Promise. We know that God has amazing plans instore for our family in Montana. Please consider following our journey by joining our Kerst Family Ministry Prayer Support Team. Visit: kerstfamily.com

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Pray for our transition:

In order for this new adventure to begin, we must venture forth and move our family, household (homeschooling means lots of books) and three dairy goats over 1,000 miles. Please pray for us!

Join our financial support team:

With our new mission setting comes an increased need for missionary support. We have some new expenses (i.e. health insurance & housing). We know God will provide! Learn more at kerstfamily.com/financial-support



Big Sky Bible Camp

Big Sky is a non-denominational Bible camp located near Bigfork, Montana. Situated on 200 acres of lakefront property with the Swan Mountains towering in the background, Big Sky has been offering fun-filled, Christ-centered summer camps since 1947. In the last 70+ years, Big Sky has changed, but one thing has remained the same; camp exists to glorify God by leading individuals to a saving knowledge of Jesus and fostering Christian growth through the camp setting. In 1990, Big Sky started Camp Promise, focused on ministering to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of children and adults with special needs and their families. Camp Promise, traditional summer camps, and guest groups have seen exponential growth and an exciting expansion project called "A Promise Kept." This project will include a new central dining hall, 8 new cabins and other improvements to camp. The estimated cost is \$1.8 million. We look forward to sharing more about summer camps, Camp Promise, and the exciting ways we plan to be involved in the future of Big Sky Bible Camp.

New ministry, new leaf

We are committed to turning over a new leaf when it comes to communications with our friends and family that have lent us their support over the years through prayers and finances. As we pondered and prayed about our big move to Big Sky and becoming missionaries of BCM International, we have found a renewed passion for staying better connected. We certainly have failed at this in the past...but we are committed to our goal of better connectedness. To accomplish this goal, we will be sending out email updates and digital newsletters and striving to use Instagram more. We will also be updating and blogging on our ministry website: kerstfamily.com. Please check it out! You can sign up for some or all of our communications, learn more about our ministry work, Big Sky Bible Camp, BCM International, and stay connected with our crazy family!

With our new ministry location comes a renewed need for financial support as we will be needing to provide our own housing in addition to our seemingly ever-growing family budget needs. We are confident that God will continue to provide as He always has! Would you prayerfully consider joining our financial support team by making a monthly donation to BCM International? You can see how we're doing and set up one time or re-occurring donations at kerstfamily.com/financial-support



Prayer Requests

Phil. 1:3-4 - "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy"

- ❖ Packing and moving our crazy existence
- ❖ Summer staff for Big Sky Bible Camp
- ❖ Finishing out the school year in Montana
- ❖ New prayer and financial support team