



June 2013, 5 Day Backpacking Trip in Canadian Rockies (AB)—Discipleship & Debrief after ME Tour
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Brock January Update 2014

Summer Highlights (2013)

Family Time Followed by Ministering & Backpacking in the Canadian Rockies: After 6 months in the Middle East, our longest Musicianary trip, we traveled an additional 3 months in the US and Canada (our home was not yet available until mid Aug). We spent quality time with Melody's mom & dad in Nash TN (before their passing in Aug/Oct). Then expanding our team, we picked up a former student/teacher (Susannah) in Kansas City, MO and began our trek to NW Canada to minister and backpack in the Rockies.

Just as we arrived in Calgary, a 500 year flood was threatening the entire region—preventing us from entering Banff/Canmore where we were scheduled to minister & backpack. Dean, Donna & family, who were providing their mountain cabin, graciously hosted us in their Calgary home where we played music with Dean (father) & worshiped. We played in a Drop-in Center (for over 500 displaced flood victims & homeless) & also helped clean out a flooded basement in a devastated river section of downtown Calgary.

After the Trans-Canada opened, we resumed our plans, ministering in a Presbyterian Church (through our good friends & hosts, Will & Michelle). The Pastor invited us to do a Saturday evening Watch-Concert and Sunday morning offertory. This was a sweet time of worship and reunion with some of our dearest friends (Lorraine & Tisch) from our early days of marriage. A tourist town is not an easy place to minister and the Watch (Harp & Bowl) Concert was a real encouragement to Pastor Clay who said it was like water for a dry well. Cathy, his wife, invited us to share a special meal with their family.