

The Vander Schels

PENIEL BIBLE CAMP - OHIO BIBLE MISSION

2018 IN REVIEW

We're thanking the Lord for the many blessings of this past year. 2018 was a year of change in our family, but we were reminded often of the fact that we serve an unchanging God. May we continue to rejoice in all things, knowing our God is in control.



January— We hosted two winter retreats at camp did one camp presentation in our home church of Westerville Bible, celebrated Ashlyn's and Brenna's 18th birthday, Izaak officiated high school basketball, and Carson played basketball for Northside Christian.

February— Two more camp presentations at Greencastle and Fayette, Izaak and Carson both finished up their basketball seasons, Kim and the girls celebrated birthdays and graduation with a cruise vacation, Kim and Izaak attended Tweakage (camp conference) at High Point camp in PA, and Izaak served on the tournament committee for the BCSO basketball tournament.

March— We hosted two retreats at camp (as well as a work team from SC), presented the camp ministry at Bible Community and Calvary (Lima), Kim and Izaak served as judges for the BCSO fine arts competition in Cleveland, Kim began her home-based business as a health coach, and Izaak traveled to IN to

be on the AACCS accreditation team for a Christian school there.



April— We enjoyed our last spring break family vacation together in Charleston, SC, helped with two camp clean-up days here at Peniel, traveled



for camp presentations in three different states (SC, OH, MI), Izaak and Kim flew to CA for a camp conference at Ironwood, and we kicked off our own camping season with Men and Boys' Retreat.



May— All three kids had a blast performing in NCS's *Beauty and the Beast*, we hosted a young adult retreat, presented the ministry of Peniel to one last Ohio church for the season, facilitated another work team from SC, and celebrated Ashlyn's and Brenna's high school graduation with lots of family and friends.



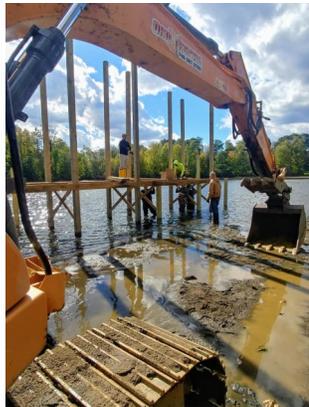
June— Our camping season kicked off with full-week camps, (both rentals and our OBF camps), Kim and the girls headed to BJU for summer orientation, and Izaac and Kim celebrated their 22nd anniversary.

July— Ashlyn and Brenna counseled and attended several weeks of camp, Carson attended teen camp, Kim and Izaac served on staff all summer for our super hero-themed program, and we were honored to watch God do some exciting things.



August— We celebrated Carson's 15th birthday, enjoyed some last family outings together (Broadway show, Cedar Point, Indians game) before the girls headed for college, full-week camp rentals and small retreats continued, Carson started 10th grade, he and Izaac jumped right into their soccer seasons, and we packed up the girls and took them to SC to get settled in for their freshman year.

September— Adjusted to life with just one kid in the house, did lots of running different directions for both Izaac's and Carson's soccer seasons, and hosted our men's and women's retreats here at camp.



October— Our final fall retreat of the season was enjoyed by many couples, Kim headed to SC to visit the girls for Homecoming Weekend, we hosted a school FACE camp (outdoor ed) and our young adult retreat, work began on the new dock at Peniel, we rejoiced at God's perfect timing with the sale of our home in WCH, and we ended the month with Kim and Izaac serving on the tournament committee for the BCSO soccer and volleyball tournaments.

November— Kim and Izaac attended a gift show in TN for the camp store, Izaac had the opportunity to travel to Romania on a construction mission team, Carson headed to BJU with his high school for a fine arts competition, and we enjoyed having the girls home from college for a week while we celebrated Thanksgiving with family in MI.

December— Ashlyn and Brenna took college finals and finished their first semester, Carson and Izaac both started their basketball seasons (Izaac's 15th season to officiate basketball), we enjoyed lots of fun family time and celebrated a couple different Christmas events with family and friends.

We're so grateful for the prayers and financial support of God's people. May He continue to find us faithful to the work in which He has called us in 2019. [Deut. 31:8 - "It is the Lord who goes before us."] - *the V's*

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