

# The Christian Ranchman

We're not trying to build an organization. We're trying to fill the Kingdom of God.



Volume 44, Number 3

"..By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one for another." John 13:35

May / June 2020

## GOOD FRIDAY COWBOY CHURCH IN THE PASTURE

By Chaplains Matt & Melissa Wagner

Holy Week of 2020 sure was different from any that we have experienced before, due to the social distancing guidelines set by CDC. We (Pony Express CFC Chapter and Chaplains Matt & Melissa Wagner) have had a Good Friday Get Together for several years, consisting of a potluck meal and a faith-based movie. This year in order to obey the guidelines we couldn't do what we have done in the past. Almost all of the churches had gone to live stream, Facebook or Zoom and public gatherings of 10 or more were out of the question. One week prior, the governor put a state wide stay at home order out, and we were heart broken. Upon reading all of the stay at home order, there was an exclusion for worship services. That was all the confirmation needed to proceed. With a lot of prayer time to make the right decision, we decided to do a live service in the pasture and asked everyone to stay in vehicles and remember the social distancing as required. The Good Friday service was very similar to what we would do at a horse show, rodeo, bullride, trailride, wagon train, county fair, or any other event. Take the service to the people that could not attend their regular service and

share the Gospel, the Love and Forgiveness through the blood shed by Jesus Christ. Invitations to the service were delivered to every household within one and a half miles. The stage (flatbed trailer) was positioned beside the 3 crosses placed in the pasture 6 years ago. We placed flags on each side of the gate and a table with Bibles and Christian Ranchman where they could easily be taken on the way in or out of the gate. Despite the cool temperatures and strong wind, the service was well attended and very appreciated by many. Even the horses and ponies came to the top of the hill and joined the service from across the fence. Special Thanks to all of the dedicated prayer warriors and to all that helped to put this service together.



## Called to Restoration

By Judith Hastings

I want to share with you the story of the Prodigal son found in Luke 15.

*Luke 15:17-31 Christian Standard Bible*  
17 When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food, and here I am dying of hunger! 18 I'll get up, go to my father, and say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. 19 I'm no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired workers.'" 20 So he got up and went to his father. But while the son was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion. He ran, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. 21 The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. I'm no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 "But the father told his servants, 'Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Then bring the fattened calf and slaughter it, and let's celebrate with a feast, 24 because this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' So they began to celebrate. 25 "Now his older son was in the field; as he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he summoned one of the servants, questioning what these things meant. 27 'Your brother is here,' he told him, 'and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' 28 "Then he became angry and didn't want to go in. So his father came out and pleaded with him. 29 But he replied to his father, 'Look, I have been slaving many years for you, and I have never disobeyed your orders, yet you never gave me a goat so that I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your assets with prostitutes, you slaughtered the fattened calf for him.' 31 "Son,' he said to him, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.'

I want to talk about the five gifts that were bestowed on the prodigal son and why they are important.

First the Father sees his son coming from a far-off distance, and runs to meet him and welcome him home. This was the first part of the restoration. then the father commands the

(Cont. on Pg. 15)

Non-Profit Org  
U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
Fort Worth, TX  
Permit No. 284

Cowboys For Christ  
P.O. Box 7557  
Fort Worth, TX 76111



Dear Cowboys For Christ,

**My name is James Frazier.** I received the Bible "Cowboys For Christ ERV". It is very easy and understandable to read. Also, I received the newspaper which has some very uplifting articles. Enclosed is a poem I wrote. You can use it in your newspaper if you feel the need to. How is the weather in Texas? Here in Florida for the last couple of days it has been in the high 70's. It seems like it's summer all year round in certain parts of Florida. I think my favorite time of all the seasons is the Spring time. When I was growing up in Kentucky the flowers and trees would be blooming, and the birds all singing their love songs to each other. We had at least 50 chickens and in Spring the eggs would hatch and there would be all colors of little chicks running around.

Another favorite time for me is when I'm with the Lord in prayer and reading His Word. When I came to prison, I lost everything I had except one exception: "My Destiny". God had a dream for my life and I believed He will fulfill that dream. Right now, I don't know just what that dream of His is but I'll be waiting. Maybe it's just to serve Him and help others. In Philippians it says that we are to "esteem others more highly than ourselves". I do see others more highly. Yes, I care for myself, but I care for God and others first. My desire is to live the life that God can be glorified in. I know what the bottom of life looks like, and I know who is waiting there; "Jesus Christ". God has shown me that we will never go wrong if we're doing what's right. We will only make things worse by doing things we will regret. Our actions will always bring some kind of consequence. By my past actions the Lord has chastened me severely, but He has not given me over to death. I smile at times to see that there is life in me still because there has been more than once when I should have been dead.

There is no way I could have walked this journey in my life alone. I needed God and even when I didn't know Him, He has always been there for me, even when I didn't believe in Him. He has shown me that when life's burdens are too heavy to live, all I've got to do is trust Him because we are a treasure to Him. It has taken many years in prison to show me how empty life can be without Christ in my life. It took prison and years of reflection to realize how much I needed God. Even though He allows grief at times, He still shows us compassion. Our suffering is nothing compared to the Glory that He will give us. The suffering we go through now may not stop when we want it to, but as long as we keep trusting in the Lord, He will bring it to pass. Things may not be all hokey-dokey, but if we are to be at peace, we have no choice but to trust in Him and let Him do what is best for our life.

We've got to give Him our entire life, every moment of it, to His control regardless of the outcome. I've got to admit, it has not been easy,

but I've got to keep trusting Him in all things of my life. Before I accepted Jesus into my life, I thought I knew a better way to live my life of pain, sorrow, and reflection, along with everything else thrown in. I thought I didn't need God as long as I had my drugs and alcohol. As long as I had them in my system everything would be okay. But I was wrong. God let me go down the road of destruction in order to bring me to my knees. He had to bring me low so I would look up. As I mentioned before, when I came to prison I lost it all; my sweetheart, family, friend, money and job. But worst of all I had no relationship with God. I was broken, a broken dream, but God would not let go of me. He led me to church one Sunday and the preacher gave a sermon called "Trust in God". That was what I needed to hear. God's timing was perfect. The preacher said all I had to do was trust God and all would be okay.

When I went to the alter call, I told God if I had to give my trust to Him that He had to be 100 percent real or I didn't want no part of Him. I wanted a real personal relationship with Him or nothing. I then repented of my sins and accepted Jesus into my heart and life. Enclosed is a poem called Broken Dreams that I mentioned in my letters. By the way, it's not broken to me no more. Hey, I just got a thought. How about a follow-up on my Broken Dream to Dream Fixer? I'll do some research and as the Lord leads, I'll see what we can come up with.

Well, I've run off at the mouth long enough so I will close now. I've also enclosed the order form for the free specialty items. In order for me to receive them you cannot have the "The Christian Ranchman". The prison will see it as a donation and I want to be able to receive them. I don't know why that is but that's the way it is. Forgive me for the inconvenience.

God Bless You All,  
In Christ's Love,  
James



Dear Cowboys For Christ,

"Praise the Lord"! **My name is James Frazier.** I just finished the 3 Bible studies "Living Under His Wing". I really enjoyed them. Also thank you for the Bible, I really like it a lot. I read it every morning and night. God's Word has helped me become a better man than I used to be. There have been things that have happened in my life that only God could have done it. All the scars that are on my body and heart only God could have healed them. I believe that those scars have a purpose and I want to use them to glorify God and to help others. God's grace to me is far greater than all the sins and darkness in the world. I still have it hard when it came to forgiveness. My mother and step-father were king and queen of physical abuse. They are both deceased now but I still had a problem in forgiving them even after they died, that was until I read God's Holy Word.

He said if I didn't forgive my brother, He wouldn't forgive me. If I had not forgiven them, I would still be a bitter, angry, resentful man living in constant pain and emotional turmoil. I have learned that when I hang around people that are drawn to sin, I become like them. But when I surround myself with Godly people my very behavior changes. Well Cowboy I guess I had better close for now so I can get this to you. Again, thank you for the lessons, they are great.

God Bless You



### *"A Broken Dream"*

By James Fraizer

Well God, in all honesty, by all that your people tell me, and by what your Holy Book tells me, I'm your dream. But look at me, inside and out, there's a lot of me in your dream that is broken. Some of it I broke myself, some of it was broken by others. But no matter who broke it, it's broken in a lot of places. As I read your Holy Word, I see myself in the lives of some people that your Word speaks of. I am the sheep that wandered off into the wilderness, alone, hungry and afraid. I am the younger son who took his inheritance and squandered it. I am the woman bleeding, and I have been bleeding for a long time. I am the one with the withered hand and can't do much for anybody. If I'm a dream, then Lord, I'm a broken dream. I am the one with the demons inside of me. I am the one the robbers beat and left half-dead on the side of the road. I am in a sinking boat and your son Jesus is asleep. I am sick and laying on a mat and I can't even walk to get help. I am deaf and want to hear, blind and want to see. I am Martha, and very, very frustrated. I'm the poor man at the rich man's gate covered with sores. I am the tax collector, laughed at and disliked. Yes God, if I'm a dream, then I'm a broken dream. I am Judas who betrayed your son Jesus. I am Peter who denied Him, I am also Andrew, James and John, and all the rest who abandoned Him. I am weak, afraid, tired and confused. I am a sinner. There are no excuses, here I am, just as I am. Just look at me. If I am a dream, then I am a broken dream. But this is no dream. You said that you dreamed of me by name and what I would do and be like. But this is no dream. You, Father, said that your dream was good for you made me in your image and likeness. If I am but just a dream, then God, "I'm a Broken Dream". But you are a dream fixer!



# Letters TO The Editor!



To Whom It May Concern,

I'm incarcerated and have recently accepted Jesus Christ into my life. I would really like to be on your prayer list. And I would really enjoy receiving a large print Easy Read Bible. Please and thank you,  
Stephen in Missouri

Dear Cowboys For Christ,

This is just a short letter as I have enclosed a money order for a jacket in XL size. I am thankful to you all for the wonderful ministry you have. I have loved horses ever since about the age of 5. I am 65 now but used to have some horses. In 2016 I had a stroke, but am thankful to God I can still walk but need a cane. I look forward to meeting you all in Heaven someday. I enjoy going to all horse events when I can and like to pass out the tracts that you have printed. I live in northern Wisconsin just a couple miles from Lake Superior. I have 3 acres of land here and though I wish I had a horse my disability retirement income is not enough currently for me to have one. So, in the course of time I have been growing perennial flowers. It gives me a little glimpse of what our heavenly home and how beautiful it will be.

Sincerely your brother in Christ,  
Curt in Wisconsin

Dear Christian Ranchman,

We have a ranch friend who needs to know Jesus. Would you please send the Christian Ranchman to him and a Cowboy Bible? We have included the money for them, if it isn't enough, let us know. We love your publication so much.

Thank you, Arden in Nebraska

Dear Cowboys For Christ,

How are y'all doin? I'm hoping this letter reaches y'all doin well. I recently saw some of y'all's literature the other day through another inmate and I'm very interested in learnin more about y'all's Bible study and organization. Could you please send me more info and Bible study, please? I'm indigent so I can't afford to pay for it right now but will as soon as I'm able. I would like to be added to your prayer list too please. Also I know I'm asking a lot and I'm sorry but could you add

my uncle to your prayer list, too? I would really like to send him a Bible and study guides from y'all, but don't know how to since I can't afford it. Maybe y'all could send him some information about y'all's ministry. We're both just country folks and don't talk a lot about God but I'm sure he believes. I just want him to know God loves him, too. His name and address I've included but I'll understand if you can't send it cuz I know it cost money to do that. But if you can it'd mean the world to me. Thank you so very much for your time and patience with me and God bless you.

William in Texas

Dear Cowboys For Christ,

Enclosed is a check for tract printing and newspaper. Thank you for the years and time in preaching to our lost. May God bless, from the lovely snow country of Wisconsin.

Sincerely,

Steve and Jane in Wisconsin

Dave,

Thank you for your years of dedication to the Cowboys For Christ ministry and its newspaper through the years. We always enjoyed going to the congress and hearing Bro Ted Pressley speak from the heart in the late 70's and the many years on that we were able to attend. Keep on keeping on seeking the lost with the newspaper so many may read of those who write their testimony's and have found Jesus or still seeking to find Him. Heaven Bound "Eternity is Forever"

Jack & Elizabeth in Indiana

Cowboys For Christ,

I am writing to you to let you know that I have finished the Cowboys For Christ Bible Study. Can you send me something else to for I am trying to change my life and give my life to the Lord Jesus Christ? I want to know more about Jesus Christ and the thing he done on earth and on the cross for my sins. Thank you for all the help you give me to keep looking for Jesus Christ. May God bless you,

Jerico in Texas

May the Lord's Grace be with you brother

Dave Harvey,

First, we give glory, Honor and Praise to GOD and His mighty Son JESUS. I am proudly in receipt of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary issue (Jan/Feb 2020) of the Christian Ranchman and the Holy Spirit has led me to greet you with HIS blessings for you. You have really out did yourself again with your Riding Point on "Freedom." Hallelujah! I know for certain

(Cont. on Pg 4)

## The Christian Ranchman

Volume 44

May / June

No.3

The Christian Ranchman is published Bi-Monthly (subscriptions are free) by Cowboys For Christ, P.O. Box 7557, Fort Worth, TX 76111.

**Post Master: Send address changes to  
The Christian Ranchman, P.O. Box 7557,  
Fort Worth, TX 76111.  
Phone (817)236-0023**

Ted K. Pressley, Founder (1938-2011)

Dr. Dave Harvey, President/Editor

David Harvey III, Media Director

\*\* 23,000 copies being distributed each  
issue all across the nation \*\*

Please remember that the statements and expressions are those of the witnesses, and not necessarily those of the staff or officers of Cowboys For Christ.

**NEW...E-Mail Address:**

**[cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org](mailto:cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org)**

**[www.cowboysforchrist.org](http://www.cowboysforchrist.org)**

### COWBOYS FOR CHRIST STATEMENT OF POSITION

Supreme authority over this organization and all its activities is vested in God's own Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, and exercised by the Holy Spirit. This must be recognized and practiced as laid out for us in God's divinely inspired Word, the Holy Bible.

Cowboys For Christ is not in competition with any denominational group. It seeks, rather, through God's enabling grace, to be a helper to all local churches, denominations and groups to the extent that they are in harmony with the will of the Almighty God. Its function is to proclaim the Word of God. It is designed for outreach and building up of the Body of Christ, God's blood-bought people, and in harmony with the work of the Holy Spirit is an active force in the Lord's program for the present day.

The message of The Christian Ranchman is the saving grace of Jesus Christ. These messages come to us in a variety of expressions, including testimonies and Letters to the Editor, and each is meaningful in its own way. We pray that the Holy Spirit will minister to each of you that bit of reassurance and comfort your need today.



© 2020 Cowboys For Christ

# Letters To The Editor

(Cont. from Pg. 3)

that your Sermon touched the spirit and soul of many other prisoners the same as it touched my spirit and soul. Many prisoners and citizens really don't realize how blessed and free we are to be living in America. No other nation in the world treats its prisoners better than we are treated. We must always honor our Soldiers who have fought or gave their lives to obtain and keep our country free, through the Grace of GOD. As children of our Father GOD, we must realize the FREEDOM that we have through CHRIST and take precious advantage of His Saving Grace. In the name of JESUS! Amen!

Your Prayer Warrior in Christ,  
Woody in Texas

Dear Cowboys For Christ,

My name is Harold and I am writing in regards to being added to your mailing list for the Christian Ranchman. I saw one of the papers and was really encouraged by all that was in it. Yea, I too am an old cowboy at heart. Jesus now is my Lord and Savior. Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Harold in Arkansas

Hi,

My name is Jennifer and I have a friend named John who gets your newsletter. I am very excited to write to you to see if you would also mail me the newsletter. I think it would be a wonderful thing to receive it and I hope to hear from you soon. Have an awesome day.

Sincerely, Jennifer in Texas

## LETTER FROM CHAPLAIN CHERYL SHERMAN

Good Morning Dave,

The Lord put this on my heart this morning and while typing it out I know the Lord impressed on me to send it to you.

I ask that you pray about sharing it in whatever direction God gives you. I just know He said to send it your way. Praying it blesses whomever it is intended for.

Continued Prayers for you, for family and ministry.

In His love,  
Chaplain Cheryl

## Expectant hope!

It has gone missing from the church and is in dire need of resurrection. Let this resurrection Sunday be more than a memorial of what was done for us but a resurrection of expectancy of His words and what He is doing today!

Back in the 90's and the days of Brownsville revival and other awesome moves of God, the church overall had expectations that God would do what He said He would. Today's church may be huge, may be prosperous, may sound lovely but do we expect God to keep His word? I personally love my relationship with Him, it's closer than it's ever been but I can even question myself, do I expect with the same expectancy I did then? I would have to say no.

Fellow Christian, do you actually believe that when Gods word says "by His stripes you are healed", or that "my entire household shall be saved" that He will keep those promises? I mean, deep down, know that you know, expecting His words to come to pass, expectancy.

A perfect example is a personal testimony of mine.

In 1988, I couldn't have children, but God gave me a promise that I'd have a son and I was to name him Aaron. Do you know when that happened? Not until 1999! Through the entire time, I cried, I begged, I reminded God of His word but I did not doubt the promise he gave me. July 11, 1999 Aaron Josiah was born. Where is that kind of expectation today? I'm reminding myself as well, it's not me pointing a finger to everyone else it's Holy Spirit saying to expect His words to be active today, to be alive today. Not just a memory on resurrection Sunday but a promise that; that very resurrection we celebrate not only raised Christ from the dead but empowered God's words to be alive and active for you and me today. Church, be expectant of His promises, they are yes and Amen! Expect Him to do what He said He would! Please don't read this and think she's living in the past, that is not what this is about. I believe He chose to remind me personally of that because I experienced that kind of hope before. It is now my testimony and that is how we overcome! Pray and ask Him to resurrect expectant hope in you, in the church. He gave this to me this morning and a very similar word to my Mom last night. I believe it's for us all. I truly believe this world will never be the same as it was before Covid 19! We, as His church must believe His words are truth and His promises are yes and Amen!



**ON LINE DONATIONS  
NOW ACCEPTED.....**

**Go to the General Store  
Tab**

**on our**

**website and click on the  
DONATIONS, TITHES  
AND OFFERINGS  
THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR SUPPORT.**



**Did you know that when  
you carry the Bible, Satan has  
a headache, when you open it,  
he collapses, when he sees you  
reading it, he loses his  
strength, AND when you stand  
on the Word of God, Satan  
can't hurt you!**

**Do you feel that the LORD  
has called you to minister in  
the Cowboys World? Please  
contact Headquarters and a  
Chaplain Training Packet  
can be mailed or emailed to  
you. GOD bless your ser-  
vice to HIM!**

## ***COWBOYS FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE UPDATE***

We certainly got 2020 off to a great start in January, February and even the first of March with the North Texas Conference at Pilot Point. Thank you, LORD for the special times of teaching, learning and fellowship. Since that time, we have been delayed by the virus situation and that has sure slowed us down, especially in our outreach work for the KINGDOM OF GOD. But soon the gates will open and we will be called upon a bunch to minister to cowboys and cowgirls all over the country. We will have many wonderful opportunities to share JESUS CHRIST. We will be ready, because we certainly have had a lot of time to get prayed up, studied up and to be prepare.

Because of the virus situation there will be many folks who will be searching for the TRUTH. I personally have been so shocked with the number of total lies being presented to the American people by the lamestream media and local and state governments. It is appalling the complete lack of honesty and integrity which has been blatantly exposed during this time of crises for this nation and much of the world. Please check out everything you hear and seek a reliable source for information. Panic has been caused by false, misleading and total lies and it has caused a great deal of harm. Seek the LORD and HIS WORD and please turn off the tube.

**South Texas April 4, Blanco Texas** – Will be rescheduled – Ken Nicolas 512-585-9919 or Grant Smith 830-822-6030 for info.

**Mid-Atlantic Conference Ringgold Georgia** – will be rescheduled - call Daryl Spaulding 423-664-2880 or TW Lawrence 404-373-9269 for info.

**The Heartland Gathering on May 23-29** and we are sure looking forward to a great time in the LORD in Missouri at the 4J Big Piney Horse Camp. Give Matt Wagner at 816-390-7561 a call for info.

**The Northern Indiana Chapter Trail Horse Competition will be held on June 20** in Shipshewana Indiana, please call Willie Hostetler 574-575-0451 for info and to let him know you will be there.

**Florida Conference is scheduled for June 27.** Please call David Gillett 813-789-0589 for time and place.

**Dates for the South Texas Conference and the Mid-Atlantic** (which may be in the fall) has not been set at printing, but we will sure get the word out as soon as possible when the details are completed.



**Have you shared His  
Word lately?  
Send us your testimony  
today!**

How would you like to be involved in a ministry that takes the GOSPEL of JESUS CHRIST to Cowboys and Cowgirls wherever they ride the trails of life? We would certainly like for you to join us in a very unique and rewarding ministry, and we will help you get started through the power and guidance of the HOLY SPIRIT. Please pray about starting a local chapter of Cowboys For Christ, especially if you are not afraid of a bunch of hard work, long hours, and eating the trail dust of service to the LORD. It will take boldness, dedication, and commitment, but the sheer joy of saddling up for JESUS CHRIST is worth the effort, and the rewards are totally out of this world. Contact us about a Chapter Start Up Packet, and let's work together to make a difference in your area to change lives for eternity just as Cowboys For Christ has done for over forty-two years.

### ***MY ETERNAL DECISION***

There is one important decision that each and every person must make some time in their life. The decision to accept JESUS CHRIST as your LORD and SAVIOR guarantees eternal life. No one knows when their life will end, so it is very important to make that decision before it is too late.

The Bible very plainly tells us in Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned". Also, in Romans 6:23 we are told, "For the wages of sin is death". This death actually is referring to eternal death. But the last part of Romans 6:23 reads, "But the gift of GOD is eternal life through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. And in John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Romans 10:9 & 10 explains how, That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. Romans 10:13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" sure includes you.

This very minute you can make the decision for eternal life and by praying this prayer and truly believing you can accept the LORD JESUS CHRIST as your LORD and SAVIOR. The late great D.L. Moody once said, "GOD has put salvation within the reach of everyone, because all you have to do is believe".

**Please pray this prayer,**

Dear HEAVENLY FATHER, I come to you a sinner and I am sorry for those sins, please forgive me. I know that your SON, JESUS CHRIST died on the cross and rose from the dead to save me from eternal death and I believe that in my heart. Please, Dear JESUS, come into my heart as SAVIOR and LORD. And FATHER please help me to be your child. In JESUS' NAME, Amen.

If you prayed this prayer, please let us know so we can add you to our prayer list. Also, we will send you a Cowboys For Christ Bible to help you in your new life with JESUS CHRIST as your TRAIL BOSS.

**Call 817-236-0023 or email: [cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org](mailto:cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org)**

## Pray Pray Pray

By Chaplain Cal Kretsinger

Dave Harvey is President of Cowboys for Christ. You won't be around Dave very long till you hear him say "Pray, Pray, Pray!". He says it all the time. But what is prayer?

I have several pastor friends whose prayers are like a beautiful melody. I love to hear their prayers. But prayers don't have to be fancy. Prayer is simply a conversation between you and God. A simple communication from your heart to God, AND from God's heart to yours.

I don't know about you, but sometimes I find myself rambling on to God, confessing my sins and asking for this and that, and not giving Him a chance to speak. Psalms 46:10 says "Be still, and know that I am God". God, in His grace, lets us speak our hearts to Him first, and He listens. Then He says, I hear you my child, now listen to Me!

Sometimes God will speak to us in that small, quiet voice that comes from the Holy Spirit that dwells in us, a gift from Jesus to those who follow Him as Lord. But always, ALWAYS, God speaks to us through His Holy Word, in the book He gave us; the Bible. If we open our minds and our hearts to scripture, God's message from His heart to ours, then reading the Bible is prayer.

Today we find ourselves in a worldwide pandemic. Hundreds of thousands of people may die, possibly millions. Countless prayers are going up to God, but how many of those praying are then being still, and listening for God to share His heart? How many are continuing their prayer by opening His Word and seeking His response?

In 2 Chronicles 7:14 God says to us, from His heart: "If My people who are called by My name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land".

To say that our world is being humbled is a huge understatement. Many are praying to God for relief from the suffering, but how many are listening to God? How many are continuing their prayer into His Word? God is very clearly telling us to come to Him with a humble heart, to seek Him (and His Word). His Word will lead us away from our wicked ways and back to Him. He promises to forgive our sin and heal us. Follow His Word and follow Jesus, and we will be healed! Pray, Pray, Pray! Then open the Bible and continue your prayer by listening to God's heart. Read the Bible as prayer. Pray for His Kingdom to come, and for His will to be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Pray, Pray, Pray!

Cal Kretsinger  
Chaplain, Cowboys for Christ

To Cowboys For Christ,

I've completed all of your Bible study books. I read it with someone else and he got saved. I gave him the Bible you sent me. Please send me another.

GOD bless, Don in Texas

### Testimony by Donald Garland Roberts

I was born in Israel to Jewish parents, but my sister and I were given up for adoption and taken to America. I followed in my adopted father's footsteps and served in the US Army for 20 years.

After retirement I worked in security at a private zoo, where I was brutally attacked by a 300-pound tiger, when the power was accidentally turned off. I ran to warn others but he overtook me and threw me to the ground. He broke my right arm; ripped off the right side of my face and my ear; bit me in the neck and broke it in two places; bit me down my back puncturing my lung, heart and spleen and breaking my back in three places; also bit my leg and broke it in three places.

As the tiger was killing me, I cried out to God, Elohim, and a bright light came to me and gave me the power to get the tiger off of me. It was God's angel that was with me giving me peace and I was in no pain. During this ordeal I died three times, once at the scene once in the care-flight to the hospital, and once at the hospital. I was stitched up with over 2,000 stitches and hundreds of staples. During all of this I had a vision of the angel holding me by my left hand over the pit of fire of hell and I saw people being burned and being eaten by worms.

My life was spared that day by the angel that appeared to me, BUT NOT MY SOUL. I WAS SAVED several years later by Jesus, Yashua, and now serve Him and only Him daily!

Donald Garland Roberts



*Pray for our country.*

**To receive Cowboys For Christ FREE Bi-Monthly Publication, The Christian Ranchman, just go to our website and you will find a download link. You can read it while sitting at your computer. Email the link to your friends. It will be in PDF format so you will have to have a PDF reader program (Adobe Reader is free to download) on your computer. Or, if you do not have access to a PDF reader, e-mail your mailing address to:**

**[cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org](mailto:cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org)**

**We will never share/sell your information, that's a promise. You will find articles of interest, poetry, testimonies, Brother Dave's preaching itinerary, photographs, local chapter listings, updates and much more!**



***YOUR TESTIMONY  
Email, Snail Mail or Pony  
Express....  
Any way you can get it to  
us!***



# Riding Point With Dave Harvey...

## A GREAT HARVEST

**Luke 10:2 He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.**

Down through the ages it seems that GOD'S people have always reached out to HIM in the middle of a great crises or right after going through a difficult time. There are many examples of this in the OLD Testament of GOD'S own chosen nation, the children of Israel. In fact, the Old Testament is full of illustrations of FATHER GOD delivering the Israelites from slavery, trials, tribulations and yes, from plagues. There are many examples of the Children of Israel turning back to HIM and seeking deliverance or healing. They would wander far from HIM and get involved with other nations and especially the sins of the other nations. They seem to have a real lust for idols or the worshipping of the gods of the nations around them. There was certainly a pattern of wandering, and falling away, which would lead to complete disobedience. Then time after time they would start getting serious about serving HIM after a tough time, a major defeat or some other catastrophic event, which brought about a great return to worshipping and serving the HOLY GOD. This great return also developed into a great harvest of multitudes seeking the

HOLY GOD and so many being added to those committed to serving HIM.

Well, cowboys and cowgirls, as the years have passed it is very evident that mankind has not changed and it seems that the times have not changed, either. Because we can sure look at this nation and see the same pattern. This great nation was founded by Christians wanting to worship and serve the one and true HOLY GOD. They were so determined to be a nation that followed the Commandments of GOD and actually they were so serious that they called evil; evil and sin; sin. They did not change as other arrived into the new world, they expected them to adopt the same GOD given standards and live by them. There was a moral code that ruled the day and most folks followed this rule. A man's word was good and there was honor, integrity, respect, and love for your neighbor and Biblical principles wherever you went.

Now, I am sure not a young cowboy, but I can remember prayer in school. Teachers being respected and many were dedicated to teaching their students integrity, respect and love for your neighbor, as well as, book learning. In fact, it was not even an issue to have prayer before an event, and sometimes a time of devotion, too. The morality of the people was usually very good and you could count on "right being right and wrong being wrong" most of the time. There was certainly no question about patriotism or the National Anthem before any program and our GOD given rights were respected and honored, anywhere and everywhere.

Well, folks to those that have been on a long trail drive alone for years and years, this is not the case in this nation, right now. We have a new standard in place and it is totally from the devil, himself. "Evil is called good and good is called evil" and anything bad, wrong, wicked, malicious, cruel, dishonest and totally "sold out to satan" is the new normal of the day. In so many cases the court system that is supposed to be the standard bearer for right, has become a program of corruption. We have politicians that have been so evil for so many years that they can't count all of their money they have gotten by bribery and stealing, but we can sure see the effects of their works for the devil. We have people that are worshipping movie actors, sports players or teams and absolute filth along with non-stop lies being broadcasted night and day over the air on TV, internet and by the "sold out to satan" media. And if you think I am exaggerating, then you have been on that trail drive, too and just didn't realize it.

So, what do we as Christian cowboys and cowgirls do? What do we do to change this nation and the world for the LORD? To start with HE has already done it! The LORD JESUS CHRISIT went to the cross to save us from condemnation because of our sins. Then HE sent the HOLY SPIRIT so that we could have strength to stand up against the evil of this world. HE went to the cross to pay for the sins of mankind, but have you shared this wonderful TRUTH to anyone lately? Maybe folks have been around the bad for so long they don't know there is a good and that the LORD has made a way for them to change and to start living in the real world as GOD'S children. Maybe they have never heard about the SAVIOR, just maybe they are scared, worried and they are seeking answers; answers as to why this plague, which is being called a pandemic has been released on this nation and much of the world. Maybe they are now realizing that satan is the ruler of the air of this evil world and are trying to find the TRUTH, which we as HIS children certainly have and we are called to share that TRUTH. John 14:6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Cowboys and cowgirls, it is time we get out of the bunk house and it time for us to saddle up and start riding for HIM. Today is the day we need to get off of the bench and start sharing the Gospel of JESUS CHRIST because the times are "ripe for harvest." John 4:35 Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. The field is ripe for harvest; and the harvest is afraid, hurting, searching and they are ready to hear the TRUTH. They are coming out of the plague, and they are ready to turn to the LORD. They certainly know that the world does not have the answer. But they will also know that the LORD has delivered them from the plague and they are ready to turn to HIM.

It doesn't matter where you are; you can tell someone the TRUTH of the Gospel of JESUS CHRIST. Tell them today and GOD bless your efforts as you go to gather the harvest that is ripe for picking, in JESUS NAME, Amen.



*Dave*





# Cowboys For Christ General Store



## Specialty Items

The Following Items  
Are Free:

Tracts  
Qty.

- Your Entry Fees Are Paid
- Need a Lift?
- FREE Professional Tips to a Winning Ride
- The Race Is On
- Just a Short Ride Across the Arena
- Five Steps to Become A Top Hand
- The Ride

Other Materials  
Qty.

- Bible Studies
- Bumper Stickers: Cowboys For Christ
- Offering Envelopes
- CHRISTIAN RANCHMAN newspapers

**You can now order online....just go to our website and click on the General Store.....**



**American made Poplin  
Cotton Jackets!  
\$39.00**

**Lifetime Membership  
Card - \$10**

*Life-time Membership Card signed by Brother Ted Pressley, imprinted with your name and laminated as long as they last for \$10 dollars, you must print your name just like you want it on the card.*

## The Following Items Are For Sale

Qty.	Item	Color	Size	Price
_____	Cowboy Angel	24K Gold or Silver		\$ 4.50
_____	CFC Jacket	Blue/w Logo		
		Cotton Poplin	S-M-L-XL-2X-3X	\$39.00
_____	Logo Belt Pins	Screw on backs		\$ 5.50
_____	<b>NEW T-Shirt</b>	Blue	M-L-XL-XXL	\$12.50
_____	<b>NEW Long Sleeve T-Shirt</b>			<b>\$20.00</b>
_____	<b>Cowgirl T-Shirt</b>	Pink	M-L-XL-XXL	\$20.00
_____	Ball Caps	Blue or Pink		\$14.50
_____	Belt Buckle	Silver w/24k Gold Plate Inlaid-Royal Blue, White & Green in Shield & Letters		\$60.00
_____	Ladies and youth CFC Belt buckles. Same as the larger buckle just smaller in size.			\$60.00
_____	<b>CFC ERV - FULL SIZE - BIBLE - FREE, PAYS &amp; H</b>			\$ 7.50
_____	NEW..CFC Flag	Royal Blue,White Lettering 3' X 5' White Lettering		\$65.50
_____	Lifetime Membership Card			\$10.00

**Include S & H cost posted to the left**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out quantities. Fill out check/money order for sale items. Fill out portion below and mail to:

**CFC, P.O. Box 7557, Fort Worth, TX 76111**

TRACT PRINTING TIME AGAIN  
WILL YOU PLEASE HELP US SHARE  
THE GOSPEL THROUGH OUR TRACT  
MINISTRY. WE RAN OUT AND MUST  
GET A NEW BATCH PRINTED. THANK  
YOU FOR SUPPORTING THIS ACTIVE  
**PART OF COWBOYS FOR CHRIST.**

**United State Shipping  
& Handling Cost**

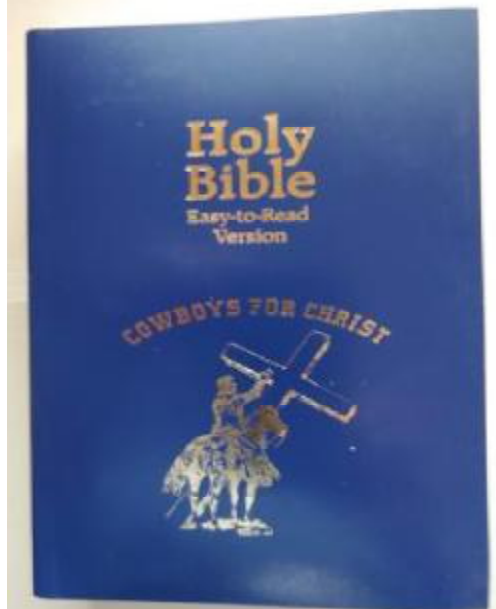
From	To	Rate
\$0.01	\$40.00	\$7.50
\$40.01	\$100.00	\$8.50
\$100.01	\$250.00	\$10.50
\$251.00	and up	\$12.50



**Blue hat with  
CFC logo  
patch  
embroidered  
\$14.50**



**Pink hat with  
embroidered  
CFC Logo  
Patch  
\$14.50**



# NEW

**COWBOYS FOR CHRIST  
ERV - EASY TO READ VERSION  
FULL SIZE - COMPLETE OLD  
AND NEW TESTAMENT  
NO CHARGE FOR BIBLE - \$7.50  
SHIPPING & HANDLING**



**SILVER  
WITH  
GOLD  
PLATE,  
ROYAL  
BLUE  
INLAY**

**COWBOYS FOR CHRIST  
BELT BUCKLE**

*Now comes in 2 sizes, the larger size and a smaller size for women and youth.*

**\$60.00 + \$8.50 S & H**



## CFC Flag



*Royal blue with White logo  
\$65.50 each +\$8.50 S&H for a  
total of \$75.00*

*NEW ~ NEW ~ NEW ~ NEW ~ NEW*



*Available in  
M, L, XL and  
XXL*

*\$12.50 all  
sizes plus  
shipping.*

*Logo Shield Hat/Belt  
Pin with white  
background  
\$5.50*



*GOLD or SILVER  
Guardian Angels  
(with cowboy hats)  
just \$4.50 each.*



*Are you presently in the US Military or do you have a friend or loved one that is now serving that would enjoy receiving The Christian Ranchman? Please send us their name and address and we will put them on The Christian Ranchman mailing list. Bless our soldiers with a little bit of cowboy while they are serving away from home...*

## NEEDED

## HIGH SCHOOL RODEO CHAPLAINS

*If you are called to serve the Lord in the Rodeo World, there is a great need for High School Rodeo Chaplains. Please contact Dave for info.*

*COWBOYS FOR CHRIST  
AMAZONSMILE  
FOUNDATION  
SPECIAL  
ANNOUNCEMENT  
COWBOYS FOR CHRIST IS NOW  
ENROLLED INTO  
THE AMAZONSMILE  
FOUNDATION  
PLEASE DESIGNATE  
COWBOYS FOR  
CHRIST TO RECEIVE  
A PORTION OF THE  
PROFITS  
EVERYTIME YOU  
ORDER FROM  
AMAZON...  
Thank you and GOD  
bless you.*

*COWBOYS FOR CHRIST  
HORSE SHOW CHAPLAINS NEEDED  
IF YOU SHOW HORSE PLEASE CONSIDER  
SERVING THE LORD  
AS A COWBOY OR COWGIRL CHAPLAIN IN THE  
HORSE SHOW WORLD  
CONTACT HEADQUARTERS FOR A CHAPLAIN  
TRAINING PACKET*



**16th Year**

**May 23 - 29, 2020**

TRAIL RIDE & CHRISTIAN Family Camp

**Daily Devotions - Night Ride - Square Dance**

Location:

4-J Big Piney Horse Camp, 34701 Wood Lane

Benlah, MO 65436

4jhorsecamp.com # 573-774-5300

**Special Pricing:**

**Campsite** - \$25/per day (\$10 deposit)

**Stalls** - \$40/per horse for the week, shavings included (\$30 deposit)

**Meals** - \$132/per person 2 meals a day OR cook at your campsite.

**Bunk Rooms** - \$150/week, includes 1-Queen 1-Twin

**NEW!! Canoe Trip** - \$42/boat (if we have 18 reserved)

**heartlandcowboygathering.com**

to print Registration Form & Schedule of Events

Matt Wagner - St. Joseph 816-390-7561

Curtis Doennig - Ozark 417-844-1999

**Middle Georgia Chapter of Cowboys for Christ (CFC)**

Report for March, 2020

By Chaplain Bob Perkerson

What an unusual month of ministry! The first weekend of March as an Ordained CFC Chaplain, Bob Perkerson, was asked to serve as one of the Spiritual Directors for the Atlanta South Men's Walk to Emmaus. This is a non-denominational spiritual retreat under the auspices of The Upper Room Ministries. You can Google Walk to Emmaus and read or see videos about the retreat. Bob had been sponsored several years ago by his son, and it was a life changing experience for him. His wife, Nancy, went on the Women's walk the same year, also sponsored by their son. Shortly after completing their walks, Bob and Nancy contacted Dave Harvey about forming the Middle Georgia Chapter of Cowboys for Christ. The retreat causes one to focus on what is really important in your daily walk with Jesus and opportunities to minister to others.

Since their Walks in 2014, Bob and Nancy have been asked to serve and have worked in various Walk support roles. This 2020 Walk was the first time Bob had been asked to be one of the spiritual directors. In addition to being available to counsel and pray, Bob gave a talk on living a life of sanctifying grace. At the very first retreat meal, when Bob sat down, the person across the table was a young man who made his living as a farrier. Talk about a divine appointment and confirmation. Over the weekend, Bob had time to visit with the farrier, talk about CFC, provide him with a CFC Bible, and later mail him a copy of the article in the Christian Ranchman about what Nancy's horse Bay Boy taught Bob about how to live a sanctified life. All of this led to an introduction to a local pastor, who is interested in the Bible ministry of CFC. This minister's wife just happened to be at the table of a prior Woman's Walk, where Nancy was her table leader. Just another divine confirmation. In addition, Bob also got to serve the support team, which meant he got to share about CFC as he gave a daily devotional and communion. This led to one great counseling opportunity, a request for a CFC Bible, and sharing the ministry of CFC one on one with several support team members. On the last day of the retreat, in a casual conversation, Bob learned that Buck, a horse he and Nancy donated to a therapeutic riding program, was the horse that the lay director's autistic son rode at the therapeutic center. Yet another divine connection.

The next weekend Nancy served as one of the team leaders on the Women's Walk. She was a voice of calm as news of the COVID-19 virus began to spread. These were two of the last large gatherings in Georgia before the restrictions were ordered. To our knowledge, no one who attended either the Men's or the Women's Walk has contracted the virus. Talk about divine protection.

Our monthly chapter meeting had to be cancelled due to the virus protocol, but our CFC chapter ministry has continued through facebook, email, phone calls, and prayer. In some ways, it has brought us closer as brothers and sisters of Christ.

Until our next report, may God continue to bless the trails we all ride for CFC.

Dear Dave Harvey,

I would like to thank you and Cowboys for Christ for the Bible Studies. I've completed all three. I enjoyed each one. I also want to thank you for my subscription to the Christian Ranchman. It's amazing the work that you and your organization is doing, and I pray that I have the opportunity someday to help spread God's Word to the outside world the way y'all do.

Enclosed is my testimony. I hope that I've done it correctly, I've verbally given my testimony here and have wrote it out in personal letters, but never on a scale that many will read it. Plus, it will be the first time that my story has been told. I pray very much that my words will touch someone's life, and help them to change. Sometimes others do not realize the power of addiction and don't understand it until you're in it. As we see in the news and other outlets, it's a major problem in our country, but yet it is promoted in commercials and television programs. So, if I can help just one person, I'll know that I'm doing something good. As horrible as my accident was, maybe good can come from it!

Again, thank you for what you've done and what your doing. I pray my testimony is put in the Christian Ranchman and it helps someone. That is something that is very important to me. I pray through my mistakes; it can help someone else change their life. Please take care and God Bless.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Trent Stanley

***My Testimony***  
By Trent Stanley

"Wine is a mocker; strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Proverbs 20:1

There is a good reason King Solomon spoke of the dangers of alcohol in Proverbs. Alcohol can not only control your life but destroy it as well. In our culture today it is ingrained in our minds from a young age that the only way to have fun is through alcohol. I started drinking at the age of seventeen and quickly became an alcoholic. I continuously denied my abuse though I was arrested twice my senior year of high school and twice after drinking. I grew up working for my dad, who when I was younger had a farm and ranch construction company, then when I was in high school managed a ranch north of Bonham, Texas. We also day worked for other ranches in the area. I was an avid team roper and later started roping calves as well. As I got older and moved on to other jobs I continued to rope and rodeo. I was a part of several associations, but the main two were the USTRC and the UPRA. Anyone that's been to a roping or rodeo knows that alcohol is a major factor to most people in

that lifestyle. I was definitely the guy who thought you couldn't do one without the other. Then on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 everything changed.

As I was traveling down the highway, I was involved in a tragic accident where my truck struck a Deputy Sheriff who was on foot. Though it was an accident, I was over the legal limit and I had a history of drinking and driving. The State of Texas convicted me of Felony Murder and sentenced me to ninety-nine aggravated years. There's not a day that goes by I do not think about the accident, and not a night I do not pray for his family. I could never describe the pain and remorse I have for what happened. After I was arrested, I was put in segregation. (I needed to be; I wasn't in any shape mentally to be around other people). The officer that was working that block asked me if there was anything I needed? All I could think of was that I needed a Bible. Though my grandmother had been gone for a few years, she was the most God-fearing person I've ever met and I knew she would tell me to seek out the Lord.

Growing up I went to church as a young boy, but as I got in middle school, I didn't go much at all. As an adult I only thought of God when it was convenient, usually when I was having a hard time or I was in trouble, as if God were on a shelf and I could pull Him off anytime I needed. So, I was in this single cell for 23 hrs. a day with nothing but a Bible. I started reading, and as I read, I began to feel God moving in me. I started to compose myself, because for a while I could barely function. Then after a few weeks of studying and praying, I felt as if He told me not to be scared, I forgive you, and I'm with you. It wasn't through words, but through the Spirit.

As I've went, God has shown me so much grace and mercy. Through all the struggles and legal battles, I've had the strength to be able to withstand all. (I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.) Philippians 4:13. I live in a prison in my mind that those walls and fences will never compare to. Thankfully, through my Lord and Savior I've been able to move those barriers so that I can not only grow spiritually, but try my best to help others here with their struggles with faith and addiction. In 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, the Apostle Paul says "We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted but not forsaken; cast down but not destroyed". This has been horrible for everyone involved. I can't even begin to imagine what Deputy Key's family has been through, but I do know how hard this has been for my family. It has been devastating all the way around. That is why I must put on the full armor of God and move forward so I can help others. The struggle with addiction is the cause of most destruction. Whether it be drugs, alcohol, money, gambling,

(Cont. on Pg. 15)



### ***A Living Memorial***

Death, as Christians understand it, is a change in the form of life; it is not a cessation of life. Those who have been given eternal life in Christ Jesus will spend a few fleeting moments here on this earth. The rest of eternity is spent in the presence of God.

Service in the name of Christ can also live on, even though the servant has gone to his heavenly reward.

A living memorial in the name of a loved one, in the form of contributions, bequests or gifts to the work of Cowboys For Christ, will be acknowledged with a reproduction of the Keith Avery drawing, "A Time For Looking Back". Keith's poem accompanying the drawing, "Checkin' the Back Trail", will also be included with the reproduction of the drawing, in a framable presentation which acknowledges the receipt of the gift.

***Memorial Gifts***  
***Cowboys For Christ***  
***P.O. Box 7557,***  
***Fort Worth, TX 76111***

***This donation is in memory of:***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

DONOR: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## *Palm Sunday 2020*

By Chaplain Sheryl Nupp

Who would have ever thought we would be where we are today? No church gatherings! As I sit here typing this on Palm Sunday it is really like something out of a frightening movie. This can't be real can it? But it is. The new normal? I pray not. I do believe God is working this all out for HIS good and as Cowboy/Cowgirl Chaplains read this I hope you will heed the encouragement I am going to write to You. More than ever our ministry of Cowboys for Christ has a great mission. We have chosen to be the one who says to God when He ask who will tend to my flock...we all responded "send me," didn't we? Unlike the churches of our communities ours is not a typical 4 walls church. No, we have each individually accepted the notion EACH of us who believes in and follows Jesus Christ ARE the church.

WE gather to offer hope to people, to encourage individuals in their faith, to encourage them to have a PERSONAL relationship with our Lord. To know and understand through the sacrifice of HIS Son our God has given us direct access to Him...conversation in those lonely days in your home, yes even us introverts are struggling if we now have people who are typically out of the house doing their thing and now are suddenly in your space Every moment lol...but we have the Holy Spirit with us daily as we go about it.

I am encouraged to know that after all this is over and God will intervene and save us. I believe it, and God's magnificent Glory will be magnified because of it. I pray that we as a people who are changed through this experience, do not get lulled back into a complacency of expecting our freedoms to just be there but we cherish and protect it all the more fervently. I also believe the big mega churches will not be so much anymore, gatherings will be limited...and this is where our little gatherings are going to shine. We were made for a time such as this. Our campfire gatherings in the great open outdoors with plenty of space between us. Families will spend more time being the priority because we have hopefully learned Just how special it is to have close family communities. Kids who flocked away from the country because they wanted the excitement of the city will come flooding back to those country small town settings.

This is where our mission to serve will be called upon more and more. It won't be about who can preach the most eloquently but who can be a SERVANT to a lost and hurting world. Who will be the ONE who shows the world what it is to be a true follower of Christ! Who is willing to be the leaders He created His children to be? No, we will not shrink back in fear because of the enemy but we will stand toe to toe with the enemy and PROCLAIM JESUS is Lord. WE will shout He is my LORD, my rescuer, my HOPE and my Shield.

People will die from the coronavirus; it is going to happen, people will die of heart disease and cancer and many other things.....but never before has the fear of death been more highlighted, and

people are being manipulated and controlled by their fear of death. So, we have this opportunity to share the HOPE of those who believe Jesus Christ is Lord...THIS LIFE IS NOT ALL THERE IS...WE HAVE AN ETERNAL LIFE WITH JESUS IN HEAVEN, WE HAVE FAMILY REUNIONS WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS...WE HAVE ETERNAL HOPE. Imagine how many cowboys and cowgirls if they had allowed fear of death to rule their hearts would have never ventured west, never tried to take the road less traveled knowing there was a strong possibility they would die, how many soldiers would have never gone into battle if they had allowed fear to rule their heart. If they had allowed fear to hold them hostage, they would not have defended our freedoms we are so richly blessed with. Our country would not be where it is if our ancestors had allowed fear of dying to hold them hostage.

I don't like this fear control. I don't like it at all. It makes me "feel fearful." O but wait! I am reminded of the promises God gives me about NOT being afraid and fearful. I am reminded feelings are fickle but THE ROCK I stand on never moves...He is steady and He is the calm in the Storm, why should I be afraid...and I let HIM change my feelings of fear to an attitude that says I will challenge this fear...because DEATH is not the ending. "My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus blood and righteousness," words from an old hymn flood my mind.

I am 59, yes one of those vulnerable to this disease, a chronic Lymes sufferer. High blood pressure and yes overweight but I am NOT afraid. I know all too well from my life experience losing my dad of a massive heart attack when he was 52, instantly taken out of this world. My late husband got up one morning went to work, life was good and in one instance his life was gone, a work-related accident...no longer here with us but instantly in the presence of our Lord. We never know if today is our last day; if we have tomorrow. My good friend told me as she was dying of cancer how much of a gift my last husband had given her when he died she said she was reminded that every day in life is a gift, she had just been given a bit of notice to prepare her family for hers. Her son who was my son's age lost his life a few years ago; no warning, he was just gone. WE never know. What I do know is this life is fleeting, moments are gifts. Time is a gift; not to be wasted being afraid of death, or afraid of living.

My mom who is 82 said something to me the other day and it really got to me, she said she is tired of being held hostage in her house because she is being sold this fear of death. She said her time is important as it is to most of us in the over middle age group. She said, "what if this is my last spring here, what if this is my last summer...I don't want to have wasted it sitting in my house because she feared death...she said I have lived a good life but I know I won't live forever in this body on this earth I am going to go home and its okay...but being held up, a hostage in my house in fear is mental abuse, it is controlling."

Wow, and she is right. I am not saying it hasn't helped to slow the cases of coronavirus; I think it has to a point...but honestly the people are still out there spreading it with no regards to their fellow man. Evil will still be present but I must remember MY GOD is too. I have to stand on His promises that He will protect me, my loved ones and IF we should get sick, HE will be with me.

I think of all the people who had to say goodbye to loved ones during this dark time, saying goodbye before they went to the hospital because they wouldn't be allowed to be with them in the end. Loved ones in nursing homes who are aged and may not be alive tomorrow not because of this virus but because they are old and it is time to go home yet their loved ones are robbed of holding their hands as they cross over.

I don't know the answer to some of the hard questions but I know this God NEVER wanted HIS children controlled by fear; fear is a weapon of the enemy. God wants His children to be bold and courageous. Not shrinking back in fear, God wants us to TRUST HIM more than man, to believe in HIM and HIS love for us. He wants us facing those mountains and speaking to them in the name of Jesus.

As we head into HOLY WEEK, I wonder if some of what we are experiencing is what the disciples felt as Jesus was taken away, beaten, hung on a CROSS dying, death...the doubts that creped in. I mean they KNEW who HE was ...HE was the Messiah. But HE died on the cross, 3 days of silence of death and they were afraid, no doubt! O but then that glorious morning; EASTER came...and HE WAS alive ...after 3 days of darkness fell on them, fear.... where is Jesus? Where have they taken HIM...? AND then Jesus appears...can you imagine? I think many of us are going to experience some major miracles following Easter, the 40 days of Pentecost. I think many will experience the Jesus they never knew. A great Awakening! I think there will be a rebuilding of the American church, no more about who can have the most numbers attending, but who will go out into the world and be the church. Small gatherings in outdoor places ....boldness in telling about the Gospel, encouraging people reminding them THIS IS NOT OUR HOME....we are passing through...however long we have we will value it and build a HEAVEN KINGDOM, reunions in Heaven; reminding them with Christ there is no need to fear death.

I am not afraid; I am not alone...I am experiencing what many Christians throughout the world experience...not being able to gather in a building to worship ...but we still can speak HIS name publicly how blessed are we. So, we cowboy and cowgirl Chaplain get ready to ride because GOD's got some important work to do ...and when He ask "who will I send" are you willing to reply "Here I am send me." Hang in there, keep your eyes on the ending...and in the end GOD WINS!

Chaplain Sheryl Nupp



# COWBOYS FOR CHRIST

## CHAPTER DIRECTORY



For more information about activities, meeting dates, times and locations, etc., please contact people listed for the chapter nearest you, or our website at: [www.cowboyforchrist.net](http://www.cowboyforchrist.net)

### ALABAMA

**Cowboy'n For The Son-Athens, AL**  
Dan Adams, Pres. 256-698-8330  
website: cowboyfortheson.com  
email:  
[Kenneth.g.lesueur@gmail.com](mailto:Kenneth.g.lesueur@gmail.com)

**Wiregrass Chapter, Headland, AL**  
Brandon Crew, Pres. 850-375-0364  
Mirka Crew, VP 850-529-0869

### ALASKA

**Mat-Valley CFC - Wasilla AK**  
Dale Harvey, Pres. 907-315-8872  
Tom Victory, VP 907-365-9191  
Fellowship: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 6:30pm

### ARKANSAS

**Element Christ Riders, Siloam Springs, AR**  
Chaplain Jessica Thompson, Pres. 918-859-3396.  
Larry Van Dyck, VP 918-859-3396  
Facebook: Element Christ Riders

### COLORADO

**Durango CFC – Durango, CO**  
Frank Stimac, Pres. 970-382-8094  
John Beranek, VP 970 247 8288  
Email: [jberanek@frontier.net](mailto:jberanek@frontier.net)  
Fellowship: Thursdays at 7pm, at Animas Valley Grange Hall, 7271 County Rd 203, Durango, CO

### CALIFORNIA

**Malibu Chapter-Malibu, CA**  
Morten Wengler, Pres., 310-457-0586  
Elizabeth Smith, V.P.  
email: [eldoradoranch@hotmail.com](mailto:eldoradoranch@hotmail.com)

**Angel Haven Ranch & Rescue Chapter, Littlerock, CA**  
Monique Yates, Pres. 661-944-1803  
Gina Nichols, VP 800-692-8977

### FLORIDA

**SonCoast Chapter – Nobleton, FL**  
Barbara Mackenzie, Pres., 352-568-1507.  
Website: [www.cowboysforchristfl.com](http://www.cowboysforchristfl.com)

**Central Florida Chapter, Dover, FL**  
Chaplan David Gillett, Pres. 813-927-4490  
Facebook page-Central Florida Chapter

**Faithful Trails Chapter, Ocala, FL**  
Chaplain Jay McCracken, Pres., 570-507-2752  
Chaplain Melaina McCracken, VP, 570-955-9044

### GEORGIA

**Middle Georgia Chapter, Pike County, GA**  
Chaplain Bob Perkerson, Pres., 770-584-2429  
Nancy Perkerson, VP, 404-514-1919

**East Georgia Chapter, Walton County, GA**  
Linda Dillard, Pres., 770- 896-5892  
Kent Pratt, VP, 770-896-1875

**Georgia/N. Carolina Mountains Chapter, Hiawassee, GA**  
Chaplain Cindy Kenner, Pres., 706-970-3746  
William Kenner, VP, 828-788-1787

**Redeemed Riders Chapter, Ringgold, GA**  
Chaplain Skeeter Spaulding, Pres. 423-664-2880

### HAWAII

**Kuuhana Ministries Chapter, Hoolehua, Molokai, Hawaii**  
Henry "Hanale" Lindo, Jr., Pres. 808-336-6266

### IDAHO

**Snake River Chapter, Meridian, ID**  
Chaplain Pete Blockhan, Pres. 208-391-8984

### INDIANA

**Northern Indiana CFC – Elkhart, IN**  
Chaplains/Presidents- Willie & Kim Hostetler [574-575-0451](tel:574-575-0451)  
Vice Presidents-Alex & Haley Schmidt – 260-463-1266  
Fellowship: Trail Ride 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. Cowboy Gathering first Saturday of every month 5:30pm

**Campfire Church Chapter, Kokomo, IN**  
Chaplain Stanley Pugh, Pres. 765-398-8628  
Heather Lawson, VP, 317-450-9472

### IOWA

**We Will Ride Ministry Chapter, Greene, IA**  
Chaplain Mike Reicherts, Pres., 641-330-6791  
Scott Chisholm, VP, 319-230-1859

**Valley Hills Bucking Chute Ministries**  
Chaplain Ramsey Steen, Pres. 712-204-6290

**Greene County Chapter, Paton, IA**  
Brad Robey, Pres. 515-370-5208  
Deonne Robey, VP 515-351-1064

**Let Jesus Take The Reins Chapter, Ottumwa, IA**  
Terry Thomas, Pres. 641-799-9744  
Tonya Thomas, VP, 641-799-8563

### KANSAS

**Clay Center CFC – Clay Center, KS**  
Ben Tiemeyer, Pres., 785-630-1065  
Nick Lehman, VP 785-632-1269  
Website: [www.claycentercowboysforchrist.org](http://www.claycentercowboysforchrist.org)

**Prairie Fire Chapter, Augusta, KS**  
Chaplain Bonnie Smith, Pres. 316-655-7606  
Chaplain Joe Smith, VP 316-706-2615

**Cornerstone Chapter, Highland, KS**  
Chaplain Mike Twombly, Pres. 785-741-5646  
Chaplain Judy Twombly, VP 816-294-7358

### LOUISIANA

**Riding For The Brand Cowboy Ministries, Loranger, LA**  
Chaplain Rick Ledoux,  
President 985-878-6524

### MICHIGAN

**Great Lakes CFC - Coopersville, MI**  
Jim Hansen, Pres., 616-450-4887  
Harlan Smith, V. P., 616-837-6432

**Michigan CFC - Midland, MI**  
Pat Murphy, Pres., 989-832-9092  
Mary Murphy, VP., 989-750-6151

**Heavenly Hoofbeats Chapter - Perry, MI**  
Chaplain Ron Squires, Pres. 517-675-1540  
Chaplain Claire Squires, VP 517-675-1540

### MINNESOTA

**Minn-Iowa Cowboys For Christ, Frost, MN**  
Judy Wiedemeier, Pres., 515-538-0109  
Kim Olson, VP, 962-913-6936  
Fellowship: Second weekend of the month-call for info. Cowboy Church: 1st Sunday each month-9am Jackson Livestock Sale Barn, Jackson, MN

**Bluff Country Chapter, Caledonia, MN**  
Chaplain Shane Buros, [507-450-3764](tel:507-450-3764)  
Sara Buros, VP 507-45-3764

**Revelation Ranch Ministry Chapter – Janesville, MN**  
Curtis Malecha, Pres., 507-461-3313  
Linda Malecha, VP, 507-779-3333

### MISSISSIPPI

**East Mississippi Equestrian Riders—Meridian, MS**  
Chaplain Jack R. Griffith, Pres. 601-479-9242,

**Tumbleweed Ministries Chapter, Ceaser, MS**  
Chaplain/Dr. David Terry, Pres. 601-337-1334  
Chris Brasington, VP 601-347-6699  
FSG Cowboy Church, meeting every Sunday 10:00am

### MISSOURI

**Pony Express CFC – St. Joseph, MO**  
Chaplain Matt Wagner, Pres., 816-390-7561  
Glenn Spencer, V. P. 816-685-3210  
Email: [midwestcfc@aol.com](mailto:midwestcfc@aol.com)  
Fellowship: 1st Tuesday at 7pm at Pony Express Club

(Chapters continued on page 14)



## COWBOYS FOR CHRIST CHAPTER DIRECTORY

(Cont. from Pg. 13)

### Salvation Riders CFC – Lamar, MO

Jim Harrison, Pres., 417-682-9219  
David Eaves, V. P., 417-214-1239  
Fellowship: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 6pm  
at Memorial Hall

### Cotton Creek Chapter - Richmond, MO

Chaplain Mike Stephens, Pres.,  
816-256-1403  
Bob Simmons, V.P. 816-776-2936  
email:mike@cottoncreekchristianministry.org  
website:www.cottoncreekchristianministry.org  
First Monday of each month at 7:00pm at  
40794 E. 144th St., Richmond, MO  
Cotton Creek Cowboy Chapel 9:30 every  
Sunday

### God's Country Cowboy Chapter, West Plains, MO

Tony Smith, Pres., 417-274-4334  
Chaplain Laurie Smith, VP 417-274-  
4333

### Fellowship Of The Saddle, Holden, MO

Chaplain Mike Jackson, Director  
816-506-4494

### Christian Horseman's Fellow- ship, Marble Hill, MO

Chaplain Pat Patterson, Pres. 636-  
485-8910

### Lone M Chapter, Lone Jack, MO

Chaplain Tom Brookshier, 816-215-  
5424  
William Puttoff, Director 816-309-  
3030

### High Point Chapter, Holt, MO

Chaplain Jay Bettis, Pres. 818-457-  
9004  
Doug Porter, VP 816-550-3285  
Meeting every Thursday High Point  
Arena 7:00pm

### Champions In Him Chapter, Poplar Bluff, MO

Chaplain T R Tibbs, Pres., 573-429-  
6829

## MONTANA

### Montana Cowboy Ministry, Roberts, MT

Chaplain TJ Cantin, Pres. 406-794-2094  
Chaplain Linda Cantin, VP 406-223-  
0099

## NEVADA

### Central Nevada Outreach, Austin, NV

Les Hornback, Presw., 775-934-  
9248, Diana Hornback, VP, 775-  
964-2015

## NEW MEXICO

### Ride With Him Chapter, Las Cruces, NM

Chaplain David Price, Pres. 915-  
240-4934  
James Eguires, VP 808-778-3099

## NORTH CAROLINA

### Heart of Carolina CFC – Clayton, NC

Cliff Lee, Pres., 919-553-6726  
Jerry Sprague, V. P., 919-365-9247  
Email:  
[cleeconstruction@embarqmail.com](mailto:cleeconstruction@embarqmail.com)

### Jacksonville CFC - Home of Camp LeJeune – Jacksonville, NC

Carl Godfrey, Pres., 910-324-7137  
Athina Williams, V. P., 910-382-8253  
Email: [jcblaze@embarqmail.com](mailto:jcblaze@embarqmail.com)

### Mid-East CFC – Ayden, NC

Jack Keel, Pres., 252-525-8519  
Lennis Freeman, V. P., 910-358-9723

### NC Foothills CFC – Statesville, NC

Craig Deal, Pres., 704-873-3421  
Andrew Sams, V. P., 704-880-3661  
Email: [craigdeal@bellsouth.net](mailto:craigdeal@bellsouth.net)

### Cape Fear Chapter - Bladenboro, NC

Jack Johnson, Pres., 910-874-0171  
Gary Cashwell, V.P. 910-874-0613  
Email: [AnthonyRich72@yahoo.com](mailto:AnthonyRich72@yahoo.com)  
Fellowship: 3rd Saturday of each  
month. Trail Ride 10am; Dinner 7pm

## NORTH DAKOTA

### Dakota CFC - Mandan, ND

Karen Hook, Pres., 701-391-4271  
Chris Heim, VP 701-663-7973  
Fellowship: 3rd Sunday of each  
month

## OHIO

### River Valley Chapter, Felicity, Ohio

Stephen Knipp, Pres. 513-218-1791  
Nicole Troxell, VP, 513-312-4495



## OKLAHOMA

### Central OK CFC – Norman, OK

Chaplain Steve Womack, Pres., 405-  
872-7329  
Carl Criswell, VP. 405-412-4614  
Fellowship: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at  
6pm at the Remington Place

### No Bull About Jesus Chapter— Pocola, OK

Jamie Jones, Pres. 479-926-3242  
Wade Biggs, VP 479-522-0605  
Prison, Jail and Recovery ministry

### Arbuckle Chapter, Ardmore, OK

Chaplain Danny Sherman, Pres.  
325-721-8660  
Chaplain Cheryl Sherman, VP, 972-  
802-5444

### Heartland Chapter, Prague, OK

Chaplain Dean Horton, Pres. 405-  
306-1179, Jesse Horton, VP 405-  
432-6881

## PENNSYLVANIA

### West Keystone CFC – New Castle, PA

Chaplain Dale Brenneman, Pres.,  
724-924-2830, Fellowship: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sundays/ Call for times

### Silver Spurs Cowboy Church, Fawn Grove, PA

Chaplain Brad Rineholt, Pres., 717-  
578-7294  
Jim Lewis, VP 443-417-3054

### Faithful Trails Chapter, Factoryville, PA

Chaplain Jay McCracken, Pres.,  
570-507-2752  
Chaplain Melaina McCracken, 570-  
468-3404

### CHAPS (Christian Horseman Always Planting Seeds), Chambersburg, PA

Chaplain Joel Nupp, Pres. 410-259-  
1301, Chaplain Sheryl Nupp, VP,  
443-557-8680

## SOUTH CAROLINA

### Coastal Cowboys For Christ, Conway, SC

Buddy Smith, Pres. 843-397-9133,  
Calvin Barfield, V.P. 843-365-5636  
Fellowship: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at  
Shoney's in Conway, SC

### White Horse Ministries Chapter, Gaffney, SC

David Blanton, Pres., 704-692-1093

## SOUTH DAKOTA

### Center Of The Nation Chapter, Belle Fourche, SD

Fred Wilson, Pres. 605-645-1314  
Mike Fox, VP 605-641-0864

## TENNESSEE

### Round Up For Jesus Chapter, Morris Chapel, TN

Chaplain Steve Tankersley, Pres.  
731-607-1073  
Brenda Tankersley, VP, 731-607-0871  
Cowboy Church, second Sunday of  
every month  
Morris Chapel Community Center  
10:30am

## TEXAS

### Southeast Texas CFC, Kountze, TX

A.H. Elmer, Pres. 409-246-8985,  
Sneed Elmer, V.P. 409-246-8985  
Fellowship: Meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each  
month at 7:00 pm at the CFC Barn on Hwy  
326 N, Kountze, TX

### For His Glory CFC, Royce City, TX

John Clayton, Pres. 903-441-6975  
CFC Bible Study led by Dr. Dave  
Cellella every first and third Thursday  
at 7:00pm at Rockwall Equine Center  
9385 CR 2432, Poetry, TX

### Hill Country Chapter, Wimberley, TX

Chaplain Harold Tannahill, Pres.  
979-578-3189

### Refuge Rodeo Ministry, Springtown, TX

Chaplain Clint Parker, Pres., [817-  
584-4107](tel:817-584-4107)  
Email: [refugerodeoministry@gmail.com](mailto:refugerodeoministry@gmail.com)

### Cowboy Bible Fellowship, Blackwell, TX

Chaplain Tommy Tutt, Pres., [325-  
743-2312](tel:325-743-2312), Louise Summers, Sec/  
Tre, [325-743-5284](tel:325-743-5284)  
Email: [tulleemapa@laytel.net](mailto:tulleemapa@laytel.net) Email: [tulleemapa@laytel.net](mailto:tulleemapa@laytel.net)

### North Texas Chapter, Decatur, TX

Kenny Cates, Director 940-453-  
6941  
Derwin Tanner, Director 940-300-  
3384

### Horse Country Chapter, Aubrey, TX

Chaplain Auburn Powers, Pres,  
940-231-4453  
Chaplain Carl Smith, VP, 214-957-  
6111

(Cont. on Pg. 15)

## **COWBOYS FOR CHRIST CHAPTER DIRECTORY**

**Hollow Creek Ministry Chapter,  
Bulverde, TX**  
Chaplain Grant Smith, Pres., 830-822-6030  
Julie Smith, VP., 830-660-4508

### **VIRGINIA**

**Boots and Bibles Chapter  
Madison, VA**  
Heather Campbell, Pres. 540-923-4997.  
Joanne Owings, VP 540-923-4679

### **WEST VIRGINIA**

**Ridin For The Brand CFC- Victor,  
WV**  
Chaplain Elbert Horrocks, Pres., 304-658-9449  
George Hawkins, V. P., 304-658-4206

**Christ's Cavalry Chapter, Daniels,  
WV**  
James Hartsog, Pres. 304-763-4207,  
Beth Mays, V.P., 304-763-7247

### **WISCONSIN**

**South Central Region Chapter,  
Baraboo, WI**  
Brian Barlow, Director 920-905-3551  
Chaplain Edward Singer, Director  
760-717-2640

## **INTERNATIONAL CHAPTERS**

### **CANADA**

**Fallen But Forgiven Chapter,  
Grand Pointe, Manitoba**  
Chaplain Geoffrey Mackay, Pres.  
956-243-3412  
Chaplain Kim Burron, VP 956-243-3412

**Have You Moved or are  
You Planning to Move?**

**Please notify  
COWBOYS FOR  
CHRIST  
of your new mailing  
address.**

### **My Testimony**

By Trent Stanley  
(Cont. from Pg 11)

sex, or really anything that may cause us to sin and not walk in the light of the Spirit. We look at our society today and the direction it has gone. Everywhere you turn it seems we are further and further away from God's Word.

As I minister to men in here that are going home, the one thing I stress to them the most is to not be conformed to the world. I would say that most of all inmates that are incarcerated have either a drug, alcohol, or both addiction before, or in most cases while in prison. Yes, drugs and alcohol are rampant in prison as well. The thing about addiction is it is a lie from Satan. He will tell you; you don't have a problem. Those things you hear about others will never happen to you. I know this is true because it happened to me.

Despite the prior DWI's, I thought I never had a problem. I was just a regular guy, had an amazing job as a crop insurance adjuster, I just drank when I was out doing something. The thing was, that was quite often. These thoughts are the lies of the devil. When an addiction controls your life, it's a problem. Same as a person who goes and spends their house payment at a casino, or someone hooked on meth steals to pay for their addiction because they've lost their job, home, family, and life. This is a major problem and it is in our everyday life. We all know someone who is struggling with addiction. A lot of times it is a loved one or a close

friend. If so, please try to find help for that person and if it's you, don't wait till it's too late. There's no shame in asking for help. There are two kinds of emotional pain: the pain of staying sick, and the pain of getting well. Which pain will you choose? I pray that I will have the chance to get out of here and help those that are living that lie of addiction. Until then I will continue to serve the Lord and help those that are on the inside.

God Bless.

R Trent Stanley

### **Called to Restoration**

(Cont. from Pg. 1)

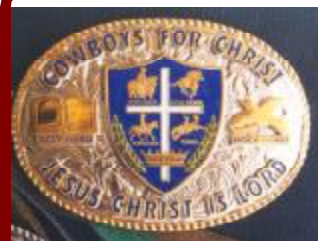
servants to bring a robe, the ring and some sandals for his feet. Each of these first three gifts are statements of the restoration of his son. THE ROBE: Means, forgiveness, sins covered, justification by faith. THE RING: The family ring shows identity, authority, intimacy and never-ending love. THE SANDALS: They show, that you are a part of a family of good standing, peace and prosperity. And that you are not a slave nor a servant, as slaves and servants did not wear sandals or any kind of shoes.

The fourth gift was the slaying of the fated calf. This represents the atoning for sin. Under the law, in order for sin to be forgiven a spotless lamb or calf had to be sacrificed. Jesus became that LAMB without sin that was sacrificed for our sins, and no other sacrifice need be made.

The fifth gift was the celebration party. All were invited, that was to make known to all that the son had returned and restored. Our celebration will be

the marriage supper of Jesus Christ when He presents us as HIS bride. Forgiveness would be empty without restoration to the privileges forfeited by sin. Therefore, if you bear the name of a son or daughter through having received Jesus as Lord and Savior, by the power of the Holy Spirit you have found favor with God, and the best robe has been placed upon your back, the robe of righteousness. God commands His servants, but calls HIS sons and daughters to model His heart, His grace, and His love to one and all. Restoration involves; forgiveness, unconditional love, restored identity, renewed purpose, joy, peace and family.

So, was the older brother a servant or a son? Was the prodigal son a servant or a son? The danger of a servant vs. a son—as a servant one would be more inclined to obey God's laws and commands out of duty while a son knows what the Father expects, knows the benefits of being a son and does all out of love for the father, bringing honor to the father with his service. There is intimacy between the father and son, a relationship that is built on love. Just as the father of the prodigal son, the father distinguished his son from a servant. God does the same for us, He welcomes us back into the family by giving us a robe, a ring and sandals, the sacrificial lamb was sacrificed and there is waiting for us a big celebration. A demonstration of the FATHER's complete approval of us with love and protection. He has given us a new identity, given us authority, in Jesus name, and a position of honor, He has made us a royal priest to God. He has placed sandals on our feet showing the world we now belong in the family of the King of all Kings, Lord of all Lord's over all the earth. He made us heir's, joint heirs with Christ Jesus who has been appointed heir to all things (Romans 8:17 and Hebrews 1:2). Then we can join Isaiah, in saying as he did, " I will greatly rejoice in my God, for HE hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, as a bridegroom decks himself with ornaments and as a bride adorns herself with jewels. Hope you enjoyed my explanation of the gifts and that it has helped to understand the story a little better. Until next time, Read the Bible to stay informed, pray to be transformed, and live your life for others to be reformed. God bless one and all. Judith



**BIG  
BUCKLE  
NEWS  
\$60.00**



**+ 8.50 Shipping**

**COWBOYS FOR CHRIST BUCKLES ARE  
NOW AVAILABLE IN TWO SIZES  
REGULAR SIZE AND A SMALLER SIZE  
PERFECT FOR YOUTH AND LADIES  
SAME BUCKLE- SAME COST-JUST  
SMALLER TO FIT SMALLER  
COWBOYS AND COWGIRLS**

# COWBOY CHAPLAINS OF AMERICA



## ARIZONA

J. C. Shook – 294718  
Murphy Campbell – 183782

## ARKANSAS

Dr. Jessica Thompson - 918-859-3396  
Rickey Martin – 870-208-4604  
George Crumbly – 501-412-2234  
Patrick Kirby – 907-799-6031

## CALIFORNIA

Maurice Bork – D 16559  
Pat Henley – 714-909-4652

## DELAWARE

Dr. Doug Briggs - 302-379-6298

## FLORIDA

David Gillett - 813-789-0589  
Eva McCracken - 570-468-3403  
Maria Ford – 321-503-1330

## GEORGIA

Bob Perkerson - 770-584-2429  
Daryl "Skeeter" Spaulding - 423-664-2880  
T W Lawrence – 404-374-9269  
Cindy Kenner - 706-970-3746  
Rosalyn Boren – 770-328-0863

## IDAHO

Pete Blockhan - 208-391-8984

## INDIANA

Sandy Baker - 812-621-0294  
Stanley Pugh - 765-398-8628  
Kim Hostetler - 574-575-0452  
Willie Hostetler - 574-575-0451  
Kelly Miller – 574-361-0355  
Orlin Miller – 574-361-2209

## IOWA

Mike Reicherts - 641-330-6791  
Ramsey Steen - 712-204-6290  
Gary Russell – 641-208-6460  
Rosalee Russell - 641-208-6450

## KANSAS

Bonnie Smith – 316-655-7606  
Joseph Smith – 316-706-2615  
Mike Twombly – 785-741-5646  
Judy Twombly – 816-294-7358  
James Hathaway – 913-213-0185  
Dr. Phil Holcomb – 620-404-9386

## KENTUCKY

Barry Bivens – 270-316-3318  
Alan Bivens – 270-929-3207

## LOUISIANA

Rick LeDoux - 985-878-6524  
Wanda LeDoux - 985-507-8616  
Gerald Kelly - 318-282-3516  
Wayne Lomax - 985-507-9276  
Justin Wascom - 225-921-3617  
Walter Mahogany - 225-485-4136  
David Chenevert - 095250-MP  
Raymond Flank - 110756-MP CYP3  
Leander Gallet - 70712 CAMP J  
Noble Bates - 318-617-3034  
Clarence Frederick -121926- CAMP C BEAR2  
Ellzey Crossley - 344739 MP WAL 4  
James Shoemaker - 225-667-0117  
Steve Stewart - EHCC 70776  
Larry Kelly – 225-241-9983  
Aaron Thomas – 985-773-4986

## MAINE

Koko Preston – 207-412-0350

## MICHIGAN

Claire Squires - 517-675-1540  
Ron Squires - 517-675-1540  
Andrew Abrams – 269-779-8179

## MINNESOTA

Shane Buros - 507-724-5720

## MISSISSIPPI

Dr David Terry – 601-337-1334  
Jack Griffith – 601-479-9242  
LaHonna Shelby – 785-408-0807

## MISSOURI

Matt Wagner - 816-390-7561  
Mike Stephens - 816-256-1403  
Melissa Wagner - 816-390-7551  
Carol Jackson - 816-506-4654  
Mike Jackson - 816-506-4494  
Tom Brookshier-816-215-5424  
Laurie Smith – 417-274-4333  
Pat Patterson – 636-485-8910  
Jay Bettis - 816-457-9004  
Gail Auld-Gant – 573-208-0661  
Yolanda Stroup – 573-495-2625  
Jerry Stroup – 573-714-3860  
Calvin Kretsinger – 417-260-0633  
TR Tibbs – 573-429-6829  
Zack Zook - 573-820-4127

## MONTANA

Timothy 'TJ' Cantin - 406-794-2094  
Linda Cantin - 406-223-0099

Mike Wendlandt - [406-698-4166](tel:4066984166)  
Newton Old Crow, Sr. - 406-620-3215

## NEBRASKA

Tom Youngquist - 308-787-1715  
Connie Dringman - 402-583-0085  
Dennis Dringman - 402-583-0085

## NEW MEXICO

David Price – 915-240-4934  
Bill Hurt - 806-239-4296

## NEW YORK

John Duggan – 716-824-9347

## NORTH CAROLINA

Robert Stroupe – 704-675-1958  
David Blanton – 704-692-1093  
Brandon Bridges — 1375168  
Karen Burgoon - 724-290-8554

## OHIO

Mike Gentry - 419-356-2628  
Sandra 'Doc' Bradley - 740-945-1620  
Richard Vayda – 440-213-7653

## OKLAHOMA

Steve Womack - 405-641-5992  
Anna Sherman - 580-706-0254  
Kenny Matlock - 918-839-6976  
Gerald Daniels – 580-920-5625  
Wayne Woolery - 479-414-2775  
Kristi Kiker –918-841-8585  
Frank Kiker –918-402-6629  
Danny Sherman -325-721-8660  
Cheryl Sherman – 972-802-5444  
Dean Horton – 405-306-1179

## PENNSYLVANIA

Brad Rineholt - 717-578-7294  
Jay McCracken - 570-507-2752  
Dale Brenneman - 724-924-2830  
Joel Nupp - 410-259-1301  
Sheryl Nupp - 443-557-8680  
Steve Sellers – 717-360-3897  
Karen Lee – 918-894-7106

## SOUTH CAROLINA

Jeff Dellinger - 864-490-5454

## SOUTH DAKOTA

Bill Wood - [605-639-9401](tel:6056399401)

## TENNESSEE

Steve Tankersley - 731-607-1073

## TEXAS

Auburn Powers - 940-231-4453  
Ben Addington - 830-832-8302  
Carl Smith - 214-957-6111  
Clint Parker - 817-584-4107

Dennis Lewis - 254-205-3188  
Tommy Tutt - 325-669-2717  
Garland 'Mat' Matlock - 936-443-8206  
Harold Tannahill - 979-578-3187  
James Frazier - 469-410-2699  
Manuel Cuevas - 683-248-8036  
Angela Rowe - 817-458-2495  
Kevin Rowe - 940-229-9957  
Billy Reed – 325-721-3096  
Omar Stiefer – 214-601-5376  
Nancy Stiefer – 903-330-1122  
Brandon Mercer – 817-408-0100  
Angela Taylor – 832-371-5030  
Deb Toli – 727-667-1889  
Arron Toli – 727-204-9009  
Ken Nicolas – 512-585-9919  
Deb Nicolas – 512-848-8632  
Tom Potter - 972-684-2684  
James Bowman - 554132  
Grant Smith—830-822-6030  
Greg Grout - 817-996-0176  
Ian Duncan - 817-345-1307  
Mike Campbell - 940-577-1385  
Mike Collins - 817-210-8298  
Charles Green – 210-300-9582  
Thomas Johnson – 903-851-7826  
Leslie Goolsby – 214-202-6119  
Helen Junell – 806-683-4993  
Donna Delegram – 830-515-2813  
Vanessa Clark – 210-330-1124  
Marsha Shilling – 817-709-5795

## VIRGINIA

Dale Garrigan - 276-202-4444  
Kevon Rice – 757-709-9495

## WEST VIRGINIA

Elbert Horrocks – 304-640-2681  
Tammy Burton – 304-482-0538

## WISCONSIN

Kaye Forystek - 920-434-7434  
Edward Singer - 760-717-2640

## WYOMING

Bill Ostrander -307-286-7517



## INTERNATIONAL CHAPTERS

### CANADA (Winnipeg)

Kimberley Burron - 204-955-9034  
Geoffrey Mackay - 204-807-5479