

The Christian Ranchman

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



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

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2021 Heartland Christian Cowboy & Cowgirl Gathering

by Chaplain Matt Wagner

We were truly blessed with a spirit filled week at the 17th Annual Heartland Christian Cowboy & Cowgirl Gathering, which included horses, food, and most importantly fellowshiping with brothers and sisters in Christ. What an awesome opportunity to spend a week placing Jesus Christ first without the normal distractions of everyday life.

Prior to breakfast, Brother Dave Harvey led Bible study, and what a great way to start off the day. Then we split off into smaller groups for additional Bible studies after breakfast (women's, men's, teens, children, and young

adults). It was amazing to witness the personal growth in all who attended. A huge thank you to all of our teachers.

We would also like to thank the Laughlin family and the 4J Big Piney Horse Camp staff for being so accommodating. Their hospitality makes you feel like family and mom's cooking is second to none. They really help make the week special. Attendees participated in trail rides, wagon drives, a costume contest for horse and rider, float trip, pancake fee, fish fry, prayer meeting, and times of praise and worship were also held throughout the week. A miracle was witnessed during the fish fry, as the fish seemed to multiply exponentially in the cooler, and those cooking thought they would never see the bottom.

Cowboys for Christ Chaplain Kevin Rowe, visited with his guitar one evening, and anyone who has ever been blessed to hear Kevin knows what kind of time we had. A big Cowboys for Christ welcome to our newest Chaplains: Nancy Jones, Theresa Anderson, Tim Anderson, and Randy Crew, all four ordained at the Gathering. How great it was to have 12 Chaplains in attendance, in addition to several pastors. Hopefully everyone present left feeling as though they had been called to minister to others in some form or fashion.

On Sunday morning, Shannon Michelle presented God's Word, and several of his family members were in attendance to lead praise and worship music. Two cowgirls accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Praise the Lord!



Mike, Tim & Theresa, Karen, Dave, Randy, Melissa, Angela & Kevin (not pictured)
Chaplains Matt Wagner and Mike Gentry

Afterwards, everyone gathered at the river, and it was truly an honor to baptize Kim and Kathy.

Praise the Lord once again just for the opportunity to be a part of the event. We would like to thank everyone who attended, supported, volunteered, and most of all those who diligently prayed for this event all year long. We couldn't do it without you.

Make plans now to attend next year. We have changed the dates to July 11th - July 17th 2022

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Ordination of Greg Malone

By Dave Harvey

It was an honor to speak and officiate at the Ordination of Greg Malone of Arp. Texas. It was a blessing to meet on Saturday evening to share a special service with family and friends at Greg's home church, First Assembly of Whitehouse, Texas. A very special Cowboys For Christ welcome to Greg and I am sure that many cowboys and cowgirls in the east Texas area will hear the Gospel through his efforts. Please keep Greg and all of our hard riding Chaplains in your prayers as they hit the trails for the LORD.

Letter from Victor Amman

Dear Dave,
Just a note to say that the Cowboys for Christ ministry is one that is "flying under the radar" and producing much fruit. It's not like the "BIG" ministries with TV shows that beg for money so keep it that way. The Christian Ranchman is a very effective ministry tool. At the insistence of our daughter for us to move closer to her so she could "look out" for her elder parents (I am now 88) we moved to Indiana. Knowing that I would not be doing much shooting anymore, and to make the move easier, I sold most of my firearms but not my Cowboys for Christ Henry 22 rifle. It is so pretty that I have never shot it, but it is going into ministry itself. Due to my aviation interest, I met Doug Hill who is the nephew of Tex Hill, the Flying Tiger Ace of fame. Doug is with the Hill Country Cowboy Camp Meeting. This group was established years ago by several ranchers in the mountain home area north of Kerrville. They meet once a year for 3 days for food, fellowship, worship, and Bible study. I donated the Henry 22 rifle to Doug so that they can have it to raffle off to raise funds to support the ministry. So, it is on a journey of its own now and not a closet queen like it was. Enclosed is a little something to support your ministry. Blessings in Christ, Victor

Middle Georgia Chapter Report

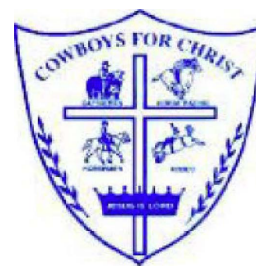
by President Tom Kerlin

It is a beautiful day. A bit rainy here in our part of Georgia, but God is on His throne, Jesus is alive and our salvation and the Holy Spirit is moving. It is a beautiful day. As I often joke with my friends and acquaintances, it is a great day to be a horseback prowling a herd of cattle.

SAVE THE DATE

July 9-11 Blowing Rock Trail Ride, Blowing Rock, NC – Karen Burgoon 724-290-8554
July 23-25 Iron Mountain Horse Camp, Ivanhoe, VA – Karen Burgoon 724-290-8554
August 14-15 Oakdale Rodeo, Oakdale, CA – Bobbi Dupertuis 209-617-1746
Sept. 29-Oct 3 Elkins Creek Horse Camp, Pedro, OH – Karen Burgoon 724-290-8554
Oct. 15-17 Iron Mountain Horse Camp, Ivanhoe, VA – Karen Burgoon 724-290-8554
Oct. 29-31 Georgia Conference, Ringgold, GA – Skeeter Spaulding 423-664-2880

We will be adding more as they are confirmed. Please send in your event, and info so we can post it. GOD bless your service to HIM.



CHAPLAIN GREG MALONE
AND DAVE



A Living Memorial

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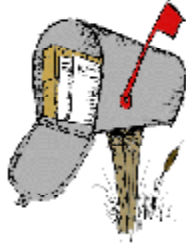
In this time in our lives when things have been turned upside down; when we are being programmed to accept an apparent all-knowing political leadership; when our country has been shut down and we are being made to live in fear because of a news media that wants us to be living in a state of panic; when our faith in God is being tested; remember the words of pastor and author Francis Chan,
"... God doesn't call us to be comfortable. He calls us to trust Him so completely that we are unafraid to put ourselves in situations where we will be in trouble if He doesn't come through." That is a powerful message. God calls on us to trust Him completely. Sometimes we must throw caution to the wind and trust that His power will see us through. It may not be the outcome that we always want, but it will be the outcome that He needs to further His Kingdom and brighten the light that shines through to illuminate the path in our time of darkness.

If you missed last month's meeting of the Middle Georgia Chapter of Cowboys For Christ you missed a wonderful time. Talking with several members after the meeting, we agreed it was an inspirational gathering and we all left feeling much better about life than we did before the service. Ron surely lifted us up with his performance on the piano. He and Earl worked up a special. The Bunkhouse Boys provided great music and Bob Perkerson's message was spot on. If you haven't had a chance to attend one of our meetings at the Church At Wood Creek you have missed a blessing.

This month's meeting will again be held at The Church At Wood Creek on the fourth Thursday, May 28th, at 7 pm. Come early and enjoy some cowboy songs by the Bunkhouse Boys. There is some exciting news coming up for our chapter of CFC. Stay tuned.
Please make an effort to attend our next meeting.
God bless each and everyone.
Yours in Christ, Tom Kerlin



Letters TO The Editor!



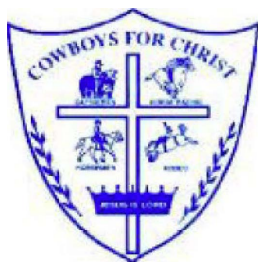
Howdy,
Hello, my name is Jason and I am currently serving time at the Telford Unit in Texas. I want to thank you for sending my daughter and I the Cowboys For Christ Bible and Bible studies 1-2-3. Please send more if you've got them. Please continue to pray for Ava and I, as I will pray for your ministry. This has truly been a blessing to me. Thank you
Brother, In Christ, In Texas, Jason

Hello, I was showing a friend of mine your Christian ranchman paper that I received in the mail and he asked if I could sign him up so he could receive it as well. I appreciate your time and I will list his mailing information. Thank you. Josh in Texas

Cowboys For Christ,
Hi Folks - Please send a subscription to my friend, Mickey. He is doing a mighty work for Christ up there and I was bragging on your paper. Till the Trumpet Sounds, Eldon in Oklahoma

The Christian Ranchman,
I enjoy your publication so much. I usually read each and every article and testimony and am truly blessed. Keep up the good work. Donna in Indiana

Dear Cowboys For Christ,
I'm writing you to let you know I finally finished the Bible studies, all three of them. I really enjoyed it. Thanks for the Bible. I been reading it every day. I just wanted to say thanks, I am glad to have God in my life. Robert in Virginia



To Whom It May Concern,
I would like to start this letter by introducing myself. My name is Manuel and I am writing this letter to let y'all know that I have received the Holy Bible Easy To Read Version. I am very grateful for the Bible. I get up every day & read it with a better understanding of the Word. At the moment I am at the Hutchins Unit, where I came across the Easy To Read Version. I found it in the infirmary & I have been reading it & it has given me a better understanding of the Lord. It has also helped get the devil out of my heart. Thank God for His Word. Anyways, I'm just here for a violation, hoping to be released soon. I've been here since May of 2019; about two years I've been here altogether. Can y'all please send up some prayers for me. I'm also from Dallas, Texas. I will also keep y'all in my prayers. Anyways, I would like to see if you can send me another Easy To Read Bible to my sister in the free world. Also, the one I have is falling apart can you please send me one, too. Manuel in Texas

Dear Cowboys For Christ,
Would you please send the Cowboys For Christ magazine to the address on the outside of the envelope? I love getting your newspaper at the hospital. It's a blessing to read the articles from the prisoners and the other patients. You all are a blessing to the whole world. God bless you all. Thank you for your sermons. All you are doing is a great blessing for all of God's children. Thanks again, Yours in Jesus Name, Your brother in Christ, Jerry in California



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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.



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My Testimony

By Nancy Jones

I grew up on a farm in Kansas. We had a milk cow, so we had fresh milk to drink and butter to eat after churning for hours. On our farm we had some chicks (eeieio) just kidding. We had a cow, 2-3 horses, pigs and their babies, and calves, chickens and of course rabbits. I helped my dad on the farm by feeding these animals. I started raising rabbits and breeding them and they kept multiplying and multiplying until I had 40. My dad faithfully kept building pens but finally said, 'Nancy you need to sell some of these rabbits.' I had to start selling them because he didn't want to kill them and I didn't want to eat them. I was very active in 4-H and I took several animals to the Wyandotte county fair in Kansas. I entered my mare and her colt, pig, calf and rabbits. I also entered cooking, canning and sewing. I was very busy at the fair showing all my animals, I had a grand champion pig and grand champion rabbit. I also helped my dad with planting and harvesting crops by driving the tractor. During my childhood we attended church Sunday morning and night along with Wednesday night. I looked forward to church because I wanted to see my friends. I also enjoyed Sunday school and training union. Now the most important time was when I accepted Jesus in my heart at a very young age of 9. My dad and I were sitting by the fireplace enjoying the fire; then he started talking about Jesus. I discovered a wonderful feeling in my heart when I accepted Jesus as my personal savior. This was the beginning of a long walk with my Jesus. He has been the most important person/God in my life. I look back now and see how he guided me through all the troubles and pain in my life. My life was not a bed of roses. We had a lot of trauma in our household. I had a troubled mom who had trauma in her life growing up. I had an older brother and 3 sisters. The 3 older siblings left home in their mid-teens to get away from the trauma and to get married.

I had a younger sister of about 3 years who was still in the home with me. My folks, younger sister and I moved to Missouri when I was going into my senior year and she was in eighth grade. Dad and mom bought a 200+ acre farm. My sister Brenda and I were excited because we had so many acres to ride the horses on. My dad surrendered to preach and started a mission near the Lake of the Ozarks. I played the piano for our services. Many accepted Jesus in their hearts at our mission. Dad bought 15 dairy cows and set up electrical milking machines. My younger sister Brenda and I milked the cows every evening after school. We also had horses, pigs and chickens on this farm. A few years after graduating from high school I enlisted in the Navy as a Corps wave (medic).

I married while in the military to a marine. I had two beautiful daughters during this marriage. At that time, you couldn't serve in the military if you had children. I graduated from nursing school and served as a nurse in several areas for 40 years. I loved taking care of the sick. God gave me so much compassion for them. I thought my years as a Christian was boring to others. Others have been delivered from drugs or alcohol, etc. I haven't had an easy life though. My first husband and I were divorced after 12 years of marriage. Our girls were 8 and 10. One of my daughters had a baby when she was 15. She chose to put him up for adoption. (He was my first grandchild). This experience was heart wrenching for both of us. She wanted her child to have two parents. She said she could not raise a child. We had an attorney who was a Christian so we could find a Christian couple. I lost my brother 12 years ago from cancer. My oldest sister has metastatic cancer and is in a nursing home. My ministry has been to help my sister the past several months.

After receiving chemotherapy, she fell and broke her neck. I saw her live through this incident. At 80 the doctor said people usually die or are quadriplegics. God really has taken care of her. I lost a granddaughter a year ago. She had used drugs for many years but was clean when she died of a presumed heart attack. She was another tragic loss of family. I know she was a Christian. God has always been right beside me. My present husband and I have been married for 39 years. My husband Larry has been with me through all these losses. He has been an awesome, supportive husband. I retired from nursing in 2009. I've served in several churches as a Sunday School teacher. I have taught adults, nursery, 1- and 2-year-olds and teenagers, also have served as a greeter. My later years I've had a precious walk with Jesus. He has become sweeter and sweeter every day. I've felt a tug in my heart to do more for him for the past couple years. When I heard Bro Dave Harvey share about the Chaplaincy in July of 2020. I heard the Holy Spirit say 'This is it Nancy'. The chaplaincy training took me several months. I look forward to serving as a Chaplain for the Christian cowboys and cowgirls. In His Service, Nancy L Jones P.s. You know one of my grandsons was given up for adoption. HE WAS NOT ABORTED. PRAISE GOD!! You know what God did? He blessed me with 3 other grandsons. I have 1 granddaughter and another who married one of my grandson's. We lost Stevie last year (one of my granddaughters) and that was a heartbreaker. She was my riding buddy. I know she is riding in heaven. God has blessed me with a beautiful family. I am so thankful and I want to give back to Him. GOD BLESS!! I LOVE YOU!



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Testimony

By Theresa Anderson

I once was lost but now I am found. Unlike John Newton, who wrote "Amazing Grace," was not a slave trader but I was a slave. I was a slave to sin. I was a slave to doubt. I was a slave to a culture that I thought was cool. Having been raised in a specific religion that did not teach God's clear path to salvation, I had definite ideas about what God was not like but not what He is like. I did not know him. I did not believe some of the doctrines but had not been taught the Word.

As a teenager I easily fell into the "party" culture. Many parents of that era had "children should be seen and not heard" mentality. Drove of us in the post Viet Nam area cruised around and drank, smoked, etc. We tried too not be seen or heard.

At age 18 I married a man ten years my senior. I asked to marry in a small country church though I did not know God. He said, "Let us leave God out of this." We did. And the marriage lasted 2 tumultuous years. The world offered me different temporal solutions and ideas as I struggled to heal from that broken, violent union. I tried "self-sufficiency" and that taught me how insufficient I was on my own. Several seeds were sown by occasional witnesses and I remembered them but they landed on my rocky heart.

At age 30, still agnostic, I married a great man with a similar background. We had a bumpy first year. I called an Al-anon number to get help dealing with an alcoholic relative and God put me in touch with an energetic believer who had hailed from New York originally. He kept giving me Bible verses to look up and he continued to call me to make sure I did my homework. His name was Mike and he was recovering and was on fire for the Lord. Mike also writes Christian plays and is a locksmith. My husband and I had not met him yet when he broke into my husband's truck at his job and left him a Bible and a long love letter from the Lord! A couple days later, I went to talk with a pastor and came home with a Bible and my husband came home with one the same day!

He accepted the Lord right after me. I used to envy people raised with Jesus but am now grateful God has used me in some tough situations, especially as an RN. He gave me beauty from ashes many times and helps me to go back into the trenches he pulled me out of, only now I am armed with the Truth.



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 fifty 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.

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My Testimony

By Tim Anderson

I have been blessed and highly favored with many examples of God's great work since I accepted Jesus in 1989. I was raised in St. Louis in a home with strong religious focus and church attendance. I attended private schools until the 8th grade. I knew and believed in God as our creator but did not have a personal relationship.

I went to University of Missouri, Columbia in 1980 and emerged in college life and partying with weekend beginning on Wednesdays and ending on Tuesdays where kegs and inhaling were the norm. Many late-night philosophical debates with my dorm mates and I gradually drifted from church attendance. By the time I finished nursing school and married in 1988 I had no church but still a strong belief in God but I lacked a personal relationship.

I got my first job as a RN thanks to my friend, nursing school partner, and future bride. I was a new RN in a locked psychiatric hospital. We married after I had been a RN for a year. We had no church or bible study and struggled with relationships as we had a movable moral compass. I worked 3-11pm shift and one night I found a bible and a note inside my locked pickup truck. There was no damage to the truck and my bride had not visited. A bible seemed to appear inside my locked truck.

The note, long gone now was an engaging request to take a journey with my wife with promise of a better marriage. The note signed by Mike Mooney and a business card was in the bible from Agape 24-Hour Locksmith. Brother Mike was a recovering alcoholic, energetic Christian. I later found Mike was listed in the White pages under Al-Anon members are people, just like me, who are worried about someone with a drinking problem. My father was a binge alcoholic and recovering for several years so I was ready for this

journey. In addition to being a loud New Yorker displaced in Columbia, Missouri Mike was approachable and nonjudgmental. Mike nudged us to a non-denomination Christian church where we publicly accepted Jesus and we were baptized by emersion in a local hotel swimming pool. I found a men's bible study and we raised our young family in this church for over a decade. We still have friends and prayer partners from this church. This early journey and choice of church was not well received by my birth family.

Since accepting the Lord as my Savior, I have been blessed with many times with trials and able to live my life verse: James 1:2 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds. I have had a heart condition requiring electric shock and surgery, hit three times on interstate highways, two times I was hit by intoxicated drivers resulting in fractures. I've been attacked dozens of times on the job by psychotic patients including two dramatic events where patients grabbed and held me at knife point for extended time.

Our marriage and family have been blessed with many trials as my birth family opposed homeschooling our kids and told our kids how they did not support homeschooling which contributed to strife from our kids. We were blessed with children being arrested and running away from home.

Today our kids are productive members of society with their own homes. Our children believe in Jesus as their savior and two of our three kids have a Christian home church. Our marriage has been blessed and my wife is my greatest coach and advocate. I was born near Forest Park in St. Louis, Mo. and today I am blessed with a farm joining public lands where my wife has taught and made me a confident trail rider and daily blessed with joyous trails. Trial riding has been an avenue for furthering my journey with opportunities to learn and grow from Cowboys for Christ since we invited

ourselves to the Cowboy and Cowgirls Christian Gathering in Missouri over 15 years ago. Thanks to the confidence from Jesus as my partner today I've been blessed by peace and a calm that has served me well on the trail and in healthcare. Today I am an executive coach and reliability officer for a 9 hospital, 70 clinic system with 12,000 employees. I am proud grandfather and owner to an amazing TWH. I have enlisted three trusted prayer warriors to help me in journey as a chaplain.



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 service to HIM!



Riding Point With Dave Harvey...

COME AND SEE

John 1:46 "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. Come and see," said Philip.

"Come and see." Folks, sometimes that is all we need to say to someone that is searching, troubled, confused and alone when they are seeking help. And that certainly seemed to be the case from what I gather by studying and searching the situation that right before JESUS CHRIST started HIS earthly ministry, as the times were major unsettled and very troubled. JESUS was born of a virgin and that event has been very well documented and certainly remembered by HIS mother, Mary, as well as, the close family and the shepherds and the others that we are given an account of in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. There was also a very tragic and traumatic time that followed HIS birth with the murder of all of the young boys that were around the same age as JESUS by the evil king Herod. Which was prophesied by Jeremiah in Jer. 31:15 This is what the Lord says: "A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because her children are no more." What a stark picture of the reality of this sinful world;

JESUS came to save and evil mankind answered with killing the little children.

It seems that there were many young men and I am sure women that were looking and watching for the Messiah as we are told in John 1:35-46 35 The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. 36 When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" 37 When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. 38 Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" 39 "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and spent that day with him. It was about the tenth hour. 40 Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. 41 The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter). 43 The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." 44 Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. 45 Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote — Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip.

"Come and see" and that is the response that each and every child of GOD should have when questioned of the mercy, the love and the forgiveness of the HOLY FATHER and HIS GIFT of eternal salvation through HIS SON, our LORD and SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST.

It seems that the nation of Israel was at the very bottom of their national existence. They had turned their backs on the HOLY GOD; even though they were GOD'S own chosen nation. This action, especially by the leaders, both government and religious, had left them completely helpless to the evils of the world from within, as well as, from other nations. This resulted in many years of conflict, invasions, devastation and foreign occupation. Which was their condition at the time of JESUS'S birth and also now at the start of HIS earthly ministry. This had stirred so many to be watching and expecting the fulfillment of the promise from FATHER GOD for their deliverance.

It seemed that most were looking for a mighty military champion to defeat the Romans; to say the least, they were not expecting someone to save them from their sins. They were searching, seeking and looking for the promised Messiah that would save Israel, but they were not thinking of a SAVIOR for the world, only for their nation. But that was the reason for GOD'S chosen nation, which was to direct all nations to the HOLY GOD and HIS plan of deliverance from sin and to HIS SON, the SAVIOR of the world. John 3:16

In verses 43 and 44 JESUS find Phillip and calls him to action and Phillip sure didn't disappoint HIM when HE called. Phillip took off to find Nathanael and that is when Phillip spoke to him in John 1:45-46 45 Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote — Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. I really love Phillip response, "come and see." In other words, Phillip said, hey, if you don't believe me, then you come and check HIM out yourself. Let's see what you think, after you have spent some time with HIM. I know what I know and JESUS CHRIST is the SON OF GOD and JESUS CHRIST is the LAMB OF GOD and JESUS CHRIST is the MESSIAH, but if you don't believe me, that's okay, just you "come and see" for yourself. You certainly don't have to believe me, but you must "come and see" and then tell me what you think.

Cowboys and cowgirls, that is the boldness that we need as GOD'S children. That is such a wonderful example of how we should react when we are questioned about our faith in the SON OF GOD. This is how we handle this question with a quick response, "come and see." Come and see my changed life. Come and see the difference in how I live, how I talk and how I act. Come and see how JESUS CHRIST helps me through the trials and valleys of life. Come and see and we will spend some time in reading and studying the HOLY WORD OF GOD to know for sure that JESUS CHRIST is the MESSIAH and HE is the SAVIOR and HE is the LORD OF LORDS and the KING OF KINGS. We can shout as the Palmist in "Ps 66:5 Come and see what God has done, how awesome his works in man's behalf!" Please come and see, in JESUS' NAME.



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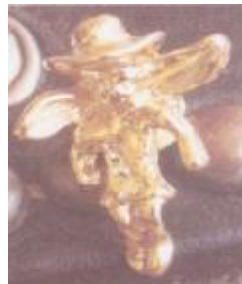


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Cowboys For Christ,

Hello my name is Ethan. I was at a rodeo several years ago when I was riding bulls and a woman gave me a handout, I think it was called "your entry fees are paid" and a Christian Ranchmen newsletter. The tract explained the Gospel in rodeo terms and for the first time I really understood the gospel and I gave my life to Christ. I'm not sure if the tract was related to Cowboys for Christ or not but I'd like to know how to get some of the tracts since it was what God used to speak to me. I enjoy reading the newsletters and what God is doing around the country.

Thanks Ethan in Alabama

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Memorial Day this year was even more special than normal for the Cowboy's for Christ Chaplin team of Orlin and Kelly Miller from Tippecanoe IN as they were asked by members of the Global Harvest Ministries Kings Horseman to participate in a 3-day 50-mile ride thru Starke County Indiana to raise money for local veterans. The Freedom Ride is an annual event in its 7th year. It is the vision of Pastor Billy Bope to make sure that no veteran goes without medical attention. The ride started to help pay for transportation for local veterans so they could make their doctor appointments which at the time were nearly 3 hours away to the closest VA office. The Freedom ride has been able to assist veterans with additional needs as the event has grown over the years. The ride consists of every kind of horse drawn vehicle and riders on everything from a thoroughbred, to gaited, quarter, grade and Mustang alike. The King's Horseman were represented in both the horse drawn division and rider division with their own wagon and Haflinger team and several members of the church on horseback. The route started with an 8:30am safety meeting at San Pierre Railroad Township fire department and the first leg of the journey took the participants along a route that include three cemeteries where the ride stopped and prayed before arriving at the North Judson-Wayne Township Fire Department where they were greeted with lunch for the riders and a semi to tie up and rest their horses with water provided for them as well. The journey then proceeded to the Global Harvest Church for the evening meal and camping overnight. All the trucks and trailers had been shuttled by volunteers to the church and awaited the arrival of the riders. Supper and a wonderful breakfast were provided by the Church's hospitality team. Silent auction items were displayed, and the bids posted. After a full breakfast the ride continued past beautiful Bass Lake thru additional cemeteries to the local VFW Post in Knox Indiana where the ride was greeted with plenty of shade and water for the horses and a great meal for the riders. Then it was on to the Golden Horseshoe Show Grounds after stopping at another cemetery to give honor and thanks to those who fought for our freedoms. Again, for the evening meal and camping and those silent auction items were displayed and some powerful bidding insured the veterans were being taken care of, again volunteers had shuttled all vehicles so the riders had no worries and their home away from home was awaiting them. Evening service was given by Pastor Billy Bope of Global Harvest Church with a special guest speaker former mayor of Crown Point Indiana, James Metros, who shared his personal testimony of why Memorial Day is so special to him. Early to breakfast and in the saddles by 9:00 for a group picture and final day of riding. Lunch was provided by the Hamlet Fire Department and then it was on to another cemetery to remember those who came before us. Back at the Golden Horseshoe Saddle club for the final auction results and closure of this event. Both Chaplin Orlin and Kelly were honored to Pray for those men and woman who came before us and sacrificed so we could be free. In total there were over fifty riders and drivers who participated many making it the whole 50 miles. As well as countless volunteers behind the scenes preparing meals, moving vehicles and coordinating donations for the silent auction.

By Orlin Miller



ORLIN MILLER IN PRAYER

More Letters to the Editor

To the Mighty Cowboys and Cowgirls at Cowboys For Christ,

I just want to thank you all so much for the Christian Ranchman. It's a blessing to be able to set here and read it from front to back, then pass it around, then get it back and read it again. I enjoy the Riding Point with Dave Harvey. Well, the reason I'm writing is to ask if ya'll can send a subscription of the Ranchman to my wife? Thank you all so very much for all ya'll do for Christ. May the Lord continue to bless ya'll for many years to come! Thank you, Sincerely, Tommy in Texas

Dear Cowboys For Christ,

Would you please send the Cowboys For Christ magazine to the address on the outside of the envelope? I love getting your newspaper at the hospital. It's a blessing to read the articles from the prisoners and the other patients. You all are a blessing to the whole world. God bless you all. Thank you for your sermons. All you are doing is a great blessing for all of God's children. Thanks again, Yours in Jesus Name, Your brother in Christ, Jerry in California

I WASN'T LOOKING FOR GOD...

By Randy Crew
My testimony of my personal relationship with Christ

I have vague memories as a young child of my mom and dad sending my brother, my sister and myself off to Sunday School at the Nazarene Church down the street from where we lived. My parents never attended, though.

As a senior in high school, a friend of mine and I heard there was going to be a revival meeting at one of the churches in our small town. Being somewhat rebellious, we decided we were going to go to that meeting and give the preacher a hard time about his 'religion'. Well, as we listened to the guest speaker (Nicky Cruz of "The Cross and the Switchblade" fame...a book and movie about David Wilkerson's evangelizing to the street gangs of New York City), our Lord really spoke to both of us and we went forward to accept Jesus as our personal Savior. We then both started attending church there.

About two months later I graduated from high school and two weeks after graduation, I was getting ready to leave for Army basic training. This was in 1970 and the Vietnam War was still going on. My dad came up to me and told me I should forget about all the church stuff or I would never make any friends in the Army (he had served in both the Army and the Navy during and after WW 2). I remember telling my dad that I would always have Jesus as my friend.

During boot camp, I felt the Lord's presence in an extraordinarily strong way. I felt him calling me to missionary work when my time in the Army was done. After returning from my third tour of Vietnam as a combat medic, I was home on leave and started dating the daughter of the pastor of the church I had attended. I told her about my call to mission work and she said she would never go to the mission field or be married to a minister as she had grown up as a preacher's kid and didn't want to keep experiencing that type of life. We ended up getting married and I laid all my plans for mission work aside. And stayed in the Army

Over the next few years while in the Army, I went to nursing school and got my nursing license. I then decided to go to Physicians Assistant training and received my Master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies. I finally followed that up with attending medical school at the request and encouragement of the US Army and obtained my MD in Emergency Medicine. During this time, I also received my credentials as a youth pastor in the Wesleyan Church. I then served as Youth Pastor, Sunday School teacher and local church board member.

After 25 years of marriage, my wife decided she was in love with someone else and ultimately, we were divorced. In the Wesleyan Church you are not allowed to continue serving as a pastor if you are divorced. I was also asked at that time to find another church to attend as my now ex-wife's father was the Senior pastor of our church and they thought it would be awkward having my ex and myself attending the same church.

After retiring from the Army, after 30 years, I started working as a doctor in local hospital emergency departments. I have always had horses and for many, many years have worked part time as a riding instructor and horse trainer. I have always embraced the cowboy lifestyle.

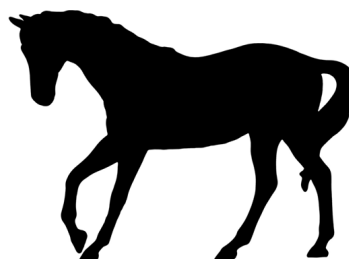
I had been divorced for 16 years when I stumbled upon a nurse I had worked with in the Army. We hadn't seen each other for over 27 years (she got out of the Army after her deployment to Desert Storm). She said she had been trying to find me over the years but never was able to. At the time we reconnected, we were both going through some very rough times in our individuals lives and had asked God to give us peace in our minds and our hearts. We lived over 2,000 miles apart but God, in his infinite and Almighty wisdom led us to each other as each other's answer to prayer! We married and have enjoyed some of the very best years of our lives!!

I told my bride of my desire to serve God and I was very familiar with Cowboys for Christ through the horse world. I explained that I had prayed and sought God's leading and felt the Lord leading me to this ministry. She was very supportive of my pursuing this and encouraged me to do so. We don't always know when, where or how God is going to use us but when He makes the call He will also make the way for it to happen!! As a side note...my parents divorced when I was 4 years old and us kids were sent to southern Missouri to live with my grandparents on their farm. My grandmother told me that one time she couldn't find me and was starting to get panicky. As she headed out to the field to get my grandfather to help search for me, she saw me in the cow pasture with my children's Bible preaching to the cows!

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Chaplain Report

By Chaplain Yolonda Stroup

Jerry and I were in Wilderness, TN. We gave the Easter service message to 20 people Sunday morning pretty much like what you shared. We shared CFC materials and 2 Bibles. A beautiful morning. Jesus is wonderful.

Witnessed to a man who had lost a child at birth.

Also, another man who had a small child drowned in a pond. There are a lot of hurting people in the world.

God allows us to travel not for the fun but the work He has for us to do. It is amazing how He uses us to share His Love and Word. He blesses us daily.

Chaplain Report

By Chaplain David Gillett

We hope everyone had a blessed Resurrection Day yesterday. We should celebrate and remember Christ resurrection every week. Cowboys for Christ had another blessed week and shared Jesus with many people over the weekend.

Craig Mullin was at the Lee Posse Fri night event.

Steve Bissel was at the Chasin Dreams arena in Kathleen.

Craig Nelson was at the North FL Team Roping in Live Oak.

Me and the family was at the Rockin A Ranch Fast for Cash event in Pavo Ga

Harry and Phyliss Godwin was at the Suwanee Y Rodeo in Branford.

Tom Kirkpatrick was at the Turkey Creek Speed show.

Jonathan and Cyndi Keen was at the West Volusia Speed show.

Me and my daughter attended Sunrise Service at East Thonotosassa Baptist then our home church at West Thonotosassa Baptist home church. We got a much-needed break.

Barbara Mackenzie of the Son Coast chapter held sunrise service at the Sumter Equestrian Center in Bushnell.

Craig Nelson held Cowboy Church at the Clay County fairgrounds in Green Cove Springs.

We are looking forward to another busy week as April is wide open for Jesus as we ride out for the Lord, please keep us all in prayer. Especially as me and my family try to find a place to stay next weekend for our ministry trip to Myakka City and Zolfo Springs.

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West Keystone Chapter Report

By Chaplain Dale Brenneman

We had our first Trail Ride/ Cowboy Church Sunday, May 16, at Porter's Cove, Moraine State Park. The ride started at 2pm, followed by Cowboy Church and Pot Luck Supper. It was a fantastic event.

I am also listing the other trail ride dates scheduled for this summer. In these days of turmoil we need to gather together to spur one another on to love and good deeds, and to strengthen each other in our faith: so, please join us at any of the following events.

July 25, ride & Cowboy Church, Porter's Cove

August 8, ride & Cowboy Church, Swamp Run

September 24-26, weekend ride, Flying W Ranch

September 29- October 3, Northeast Regional Gathering, Elkin's Creek. Pedro, OH

Please watch your email and check our website for any changes and other events not on this list.

"Come ride with us on your way to eternity."



The Holy Spirit Direction

By Chaplain Randy Crew

When I was in the Army serving in Viet Nam, I would go to Navigator Bible studies at the base Chapel. One of the soldiers I worked with was constantly giving me a hard time for any reason he could think of. As I was on my way to Bible study on day, he asked me where I was going. I told him and he laughed at me and called me names. I was upset and started to leave when I felt the Holy Spirit impress on me that I should ask him to go with me. I really didn't want to for fear of more humiliation. I stopped, turned around and asked him to go with me...unless of course he was "afraid" to go. Surprisingly, he agreed to go with me. A few short weeks later he asked me to pray with him. At that time, he gave his heart to Christ! We became great friends and I was able to watch him grow spiritually. To this day he continues to share Christ to people he knows. All of this because I chose to heed the Holy Spirit's direction!



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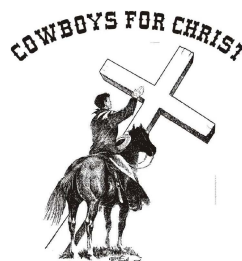
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COWBOY GATHERING AT ELKINS CREEK HORSE CAMP, PEDRO, OHIO

SEPT 30 - OCT 3, 2021

The Northeast Region Cowboys For Christ is planning a Gathering at Elkins Creek Horse Camp in Pedro, Ohio. This wonderful facility offers great trails through the Wayne National Forest. We will enjoy 4 days of riding, camping, Bible Study, horse demos, concerts and more. A silent auction will be held to benefit the Cowboys For Christ Bible Fund. Other chapters are encouraged to attend, and this event is open to the public as well. It's a great time to meet new friends and spend time with old friends!

Elkins Creek Horse Camp offers camping hookups, cabins, stalls, bedding, hot showers and meal plans. Make your reservation directly with Elkins Creek at www.elkinscreekhorsecamp.com

Sponsored by: Chaplains Mike Gentry (Ohio), Karen Burgoon (North Carolina), and Dale Brenneman (Pennsylvania)



Report from Chaplains Orlin and Kelly Miller

I know I have asked before and you sent me something but I need the Cowboys For Christ logo with the horse and cross in a form I can have printed. I want to make a decal for our horse trailer that is bigger than the bumper stickers. Orlin has been able to preach and I was blessed to preach at the event in Illinois you recommended us for. It was a great event.

We are also part of a Kings' Horseman group that is local in our Northern Indiana area and we are holding Saturday night services once a month at the Tippecanoe State Park! We have a wagon and team that will pick up folks in the non-horse camp and bring them to the horseman's camp for the service. This begins in May and will be the second weekend of each month during the camping season. There will be many opportunities to share God's Word during this time. Orlin and I are so blessed for the opportunities Cowboys For Christ has opened for us. We will also be in Hocking Hills Ohio the second weekend in June at a campout with 14 other couples that we have met through horses and the opportunity to share God's Word will be daily! We booked almost a whole barn at the campgrounds where we are staying.



Report from Chaplain Lahonna Shelby

My prayer for this year has been, where can you use me Lord?

I am pleased to say that God has answered my prayer, He has given me a place to preach. It's not a huge place, in fact there are just two.

A short story:

Now in their '80s, my neighbors found themselves, more or less locked away from the world due to the Chinese virus. They have two daughters that live in town, with important jobs, and though they do their best to visit we all know that children grow up and have their own lives to live.

Their parents, I'll call them J&D, live in the country. I heard that D, had a stroke and that J, at the age of 87, was caring for her. The holy Spirit put them on my heart so I began visiting them always bringing little something, a box of cupcakes, then some groceries; little things like that. Now, God tells us to be bold as a lion, sometimes that's easier said than done. Proverbs 28: 1 So, I asked D&J if they would like to have church on Sunday in their home as they could not get out to go. Not sure of what their reaction would be, I was surprised when they both lit up with big smiles, both were so eager and excited. D said we have a piano and we can sing hymns, J said, the piano was not in tune. I explained that I could pull up music from the internet.

I'm pleased to say that we had service last Sunday and I have been welcomed back. I preached on who am I, who does God say I am. Next Sunday I'll preach on whose am I. J Said he got something out of the sermon and she agreed. We sang, we prayed and we talked and shared. And we had wonderful fellowship and God was with us. You never know where God may place you, and it doesn't matter the number, what matters is the obedience.

There are people hurting all around us and sometimes we just need to be as bold as a lion and step out of our comfort zone, no matter the number, no matter the place, just allow the love of Jesus to be on your face. So that's what's been going on with me, and I pray all is well with you and yours. Keep your eyes on things above and not on things below.

As always, your friend and sister in Christ Jesus. Chaplain Lahonna Shelby



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