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

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2022 Heartland Conference

The Heartland Cowboys For Christ Conference was held Feb 5th at P&J's Family restaurant in Dekalb MO. What a Joy it was to get together with CFC leadership, chaplains and other brothers and sisters in Christ. The focus of this year's conference included encouraging one another in their efforts to share the Good News and salvation through Jesus Christ.

Featured speakers included:

*Pastor David Jordan from DeKalb Christian Church delivered a message regarding Living Life On Purpose. It was a very good reminder that we all have a God given purpose in life to complete.

*Dave Harvey, Cowboys for Christ President delivered a state of the ministry address. In addition, he also shared stories and testimonies regarding how ministry efforts along with the Christian Ranchman are reaching the lost.

*Danny Berry, chaplain trainee, gave a forging demonstration entitled Shaping Your Heart. He shared how we should have a heart like Jesus and work to do everything in love.



Dave, Chaplains Trinity Cox and Mike Jackson

*Melissa Wagner shared how the Corral to the Cross ministry program began and how horses were used to reach local youth and their families.

*Mike and Jamie Reicherts spoke about their trail ride ministry and conducting worship services at various equestrian campgrounds. They stressed the importance of being consistent along with getting the word out to fellow campers .

Trinity Cox from Spickard, MO was ordained as our latest and youngest Cowgirl Chaplain. We were blessed to have several chaplains in attendance to share and encourage Trinity, as well as everyone in attendance.

A great big Thank You goes out to all that were a part of this years conference and helped make this a special day of prayer, worship, fellowship and discipling each other. And another great big Thank You to Pam Dexter for providing the wonderful food as well as opening up their facility for us to use.

Rodeo Queen Dedication

by Casey McGehee

First off, I'd like to say "thank you" to Megan and rest of the Taber family for the honor to come and give this blessing. I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to watch many young ladies try for a sash and crown over the years. Obviously not all make it but each is an inspiration. And from that, is what inspired me to write this little story several years ago.

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Rodeo Queen Dedication Continued

The Rodeo Queen to be

I can still see her, hunting frogs,
climbing trees and dressing dogs.
I can picture her, with Kool-Aid stains on
her t-shirt and face.
There never was anything a boy could
do, that she wouldn't try,
She'd do her best to show them all and
never let them see her cry.
She loved those horses; a real bonding
was easy to see.
I remember the day she came to me to
say: Daddy, a Rodeo Queen, is what I
want to be!

She worked so hard to help pay the
price of new leather and silver, and the
hours she put in to that one-time scruffy
looking pasture pony.

Rodeo after rodeo, horseshow after
horseshow, it was easy to see how
she'd transformed that horse right
before me.

I guess I hadn't, or better yet, just
wouldn't see the makeup and gloss that
had come to be,
The fancy blouses, the fitting jeans, the
jewelry.... no Kool-Aid stains or braids
did I see.

I drove and she rode, we'd drive and
she'd ride to the next rodeo,
Many seasons went by while she smiled
and waved. What a beautiful young lady
she was, a year ago that day!
I couldn't have been more proud as she
sporting that crown for the entire crowd
to see.

And today all these young hopefuls, so
excited and nervous I know them to be,
I look at my own sitting before me and
all there, to see, so tall, so proud, so
beautiful is she. For an instant I see the
braids, and the Kool-Aid stains,
that tough little girl of mine as she looks
towards me with a wink. But not a tear
will they see as she smiles, then places
the crown on the new Queen to be.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

It Says; "Celebrate always, pray
constantly, and give thanks to God no



Megan Taber & Chaplain Casey McGehee

matter what circumstances you find
yourself in. For this is Gods will for you
in Christ Jesus."

So, with that let us Pray.

Heavenly and Gracious Father

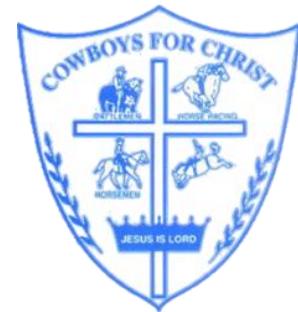
We lift up your child Megan this evening
and give You thanks and praise for being
with her each step of the way.

Lord we just ask, that You wrap Your
arms around her, keep her safe and
guide her on this special journey as she
represents our state and this great sport
of rodeo that we all love.

Let Your love shine brightly in her smile
for all the people to see and may hope
and joy radiate from her wave.

Lord we ask that You help her to sit
straight and true in the saddle, give her
strength when the miles and days are
long, help her to always ride as an
example of your good work, guide her to
be everything in the arena of life as those
see her to be in the rodeo arena. And
Lord please always help her to properly
place her feet...One firmly in the stirrup
and the other walking with Thee.

Lord God, we praise You for the gifts
You've given us. We thank You for this
time of joy and celebration. In all seasons
we shall sing praises to You. We are
grateful for this meal that we can share
with friends tonight in honor of the
coronation of Miss Megan. Lord, we
thank you for your presence now and
always. All this we pray in the name of
Jesus. Amen.



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Letters to the Editor

Hello,

We love Cowboys For Christ and the newspaper. Like to give a little for it and the rest is for the free Bibles. We have a grandson that is a policeman. A few years ago, he had an accident and they had to take his lower leg off. But he always had a good spirit and is back on duty. We want you to send this Bible to him. Thanks very much, love in Christ and God bless, Johnny & Judy in Texas

Cowboys For Friends,

Please update our address. Also please find a small donation and our tanks for the great work you are doing for our Lord. Ron & Dana in Missouri

Cowboys For Christ,

May God continue to use your ministry to touch lives and save lives in 2022. God bless you, Renee in Minnesota

Dave,

Your paper means so much to so many. So many lives have been changed through the work you and your staff do. Thank you for sending the paper. God bless you all, Ellen in Montana

Cowboys For Christ,

How are you doing? My name is Justin and I'm in prison serving a three years sentence and I prayed the prayer from a flyer that was giving to me from a friend. I would like ya'll to add me to ya'lls prayer list and if possible if you can please send me information on Cowboys For Christ and a Cowboys For Christ Bible. It would be greatly appreciated. Thank you so much and God bless, Justin in Texas

Dear Christian Ranchman,

My name is Robert and I'm incarcerated in a prison in Pennsylvania. I'm currently in isolation. Last week a guard stopped by my cell and gave me a few things to read; one was the Christian Ranchman, the Nov/Dec 21 issue. Well, I must have read it ten times already. My favorite story in that issue is by Chaplain Dave McMillan "Trust in the Lord" and it refers to Psalm 23 and I love how he did Psalms 23 for horses. So, I would like to thank you for putting a smile on my face. I also

read the story about the man that received a free Bible and he gave his to another man and hoped to receive another Bible. I too would like to receive a free Bible and any other reading material. Thank you for your time. Robert in Pennsylvania.

Dear Cowboys For Christ,

I want to say thank you for the Bible and the Bible studies. I have not had a chance to finish the Bible studies but I just wanted to write you and tell you of my good news! When I was nine years old, I made a profession of faith and for the next twenty-two years, I believed that I was born again. However, since my arrest I have been praying for peace and searching for answers but for nine months neither ever came. Then, through a book that my parents sent me, Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan, I realized that I was still lost and in need of a Savior. The truths set forth in that book I realized that my profession at nine years of age, was out of fear of hell and damnation and not out of true repentance of sins and fear of God. So, on December 17, 2021, I asked God to forgive me of my sins, repented of my wicked ways and wholly accepted what Christ did on the cross as my Lord and Savior! In addition to accepting His gift of salvation, I have given Him my whole heart, soul, mind and life! I plan to serve Him no matter where I am and no matter where I go! Thank you for your faithful service to God, for your love to others and for ministering to prisoners. May God bless you all continually. Love, David in Texas

Cowboys For Christ,

Hello, thanks so much for your wonderful ministry. We appreciate you folks. Keep up your wonderful work. Johnny in Missouri

Dear Ones at Cowboys For Christ,

Thank you for sending your newsletter. We enjoy it. We too are horse people. Enclosed is a small donation. God Bless, Oren & Ruth in Maryland



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2021

by Chaplain Karen Burgoon

What a year 2021 was. I am sure most of you would agree that it was a year like no other with the lockdowns, small businesses shutdowns, supply chain issues, and church restrictions affecting our social norms. Many of us lost friends or loved ones to the virus. Mask mandates and social distancing became common place in everyday activities. Many felt that the government was pushing the limits on individual freedoms. Many were fearful and anxious about the future. I found myself facing some very unpleasant things, not unlike what others were also experiencing.

In March I became sick with the virus, was hospitalized with Covid pneumonia and low oxygen saturations. On the trip in the ambulance, I was very frightened, I would have cried but I was too short of breath. My fear was increased by the knowledge of the patients I had treated with symptoms like mine who had continued to worsen and then passed away. I was consumed by the fear. On arrival to the hospital, I was placed in isolation. It was very frightening to me, a healthcare provider so I can only imagine how much more for a lay person with little understanding of the protocols. I had never felt more alone in my life and was very worried about the future. Lying there in the bed, struggling to breath, I felt totally alone and abandoned. As I lay there, I began to feel the prayers of others touching me and it was as if God was holding me in his arms. I felt a sense of relief and knew without a doubt that God was in control. Psalm 23:4 tells us "Even though I go through the darkest valley I will fear no danger; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me." I thanked Him for being my Father, I told Him I was ready to go to heaven if that was His will or that I would recover and continue to work for His glory. I then went to sleep for the first time in 48 hours. I survived by His grace and was able to continue to work with Dave Harvey and my husband Joe in

developing a trail ride ministry. God has blessed our efforts and we had many successful weekends at Iron Mountain Horse camp last season and saw continued growth at the Fall Gatherings in Ohio and in Georgia. The weather did not always cooperate, but God always showed up. We have a very full calendar set up for this season and cannot wait to see where the Lord leads us. My experience with the virus also gave me an opportunity to share God's hope with my covid patients and their families, as I knew their fears and the power of our Lord's holy touch.

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Let Me Tell You About My Jesus

by Dawn Baselj

I was on my way to work one cold winter morning. The wind was blowing, the sun was shining and frost was glittering on the ground. Just as I was heading into the small town of Mercer, Pa. a small truck tried to pass a Ford Bronco going in the opposite direction I was heading. This put the small truck in my lane heading towards me at a rapid speed. The man driving the small truck saw me coming and swerved to get back in his lane behind the Ford Bronco he was attempting to pass. As the driver did this, he hit the back driver side corner panel of the Bronco, sending it into the air. The two trucks began barrel rolling up the road. To avoid being hit by two trucks flipping, I veered to the right and ended up stopped on the side of the road. As I opened my car door to get out and see how I could help, I saw a lady who was traveling behind the two trucks and had stopped her car. I yelled to her to check on the man in the small truck, and I would help whoever was in the Bronco. She yelled, "OK," and we both ran toward the wreckage.

As I was running to the Bronco, I could see the small truck on its side and the driver was crawling out of the window.

He was yelling I'm alright, but appeared shaky. I would come to find out later that he just left the Mustang Bar after his night shift at work and was drunk.

I got to the Bronco laying upside down and on a stone pillar which was the entrance to a cemetery. The Bronco had knocked it over and then landed on the cement/rock pillar as it was flipping. The front of the vehicle was resting on the ground so it was laying upside down at an angle. I looked in the front seat of the Bronco for the driver. The windows were up and there was no driver. I went to the back seat. Windows up – no driver! I ran to the back of the vehicle and the large back window was smashed open and no one was in the back area of the vehicle. I then realized the driver and or any passengers had flown out the back of the Bronco through the large back window. I ran around and around the truck searching for any sign of a human being. Then it dawned on me to look under the truck. There under the upside-down full size Ford Bronco was a person smashed between the vehicle and the rock column like a sandwich. Guess what? You got it!

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The column was about 2 feet thick, with the person directly under the truck from the waist up. From the waist down her body was hanging off the column with her legs partly on the cold ground. Almost the full weight of the truck was laying on this poor person. (She was so smashed I was not able to tell if the person was a male or female, but later on I found out she was a woman) Her head was turned to the left facing me but it was only in about a 3-inch space. Since the hood and part of the front of the car was smashed into the ground and the column with the person under it was holding up the rest of the Bronco, I felt no fear to crawl under the wreckage to try to help. There was no breath coming from the lifeless body. The weight of the truck had smashed her into a space so small, I could hardly get my hand to her to check for breathing.

I crawled back out from under the truck and a man was standing there. I said to him, "There is a person smashed under this truck who is not breathing. We need to pick up this truck." He replied, "Lady, you and I can't pick up this truck." At that moment, another gentleman walked up and I again repeated, "There is a person smashed under this truck she's not breathing. We need to pick up this truck!" The second person said to me, "Are you nuts, we can't pick up a full-size Bronco!"

Well, let me tell you about MY Jesus! My Jesus says in Mark 11:22,23 "Have faith in God constantly. Truly I tell you, whoever says to this mountain, be lifted up and thrown into the sea and does not doubt at all in his heart but BELIEVES that what he says will take place, it will be done for him."

I put my hands in the air, looked toward heaven and yelled at the two men, "The Lord will send his angels to help me lift this truck and if you two men won't help me, I will lift this truck with the strength of God BY MYSELF!" I was absolutely positive Jesus was going to lift that truck

and save that person. Well, those two men must have thought I was a crazy woman or the angels that were there to help, pushed them over to the truck because not just the two of them but a third man was there and the three came over and put their hands under that big old truck's roof & began to attempt to lift it. I got down on my knees and prayed, "In the name of Jesus these men WILL pick up this truck!" Then I crawled back under the wreck. The truck started to be lifted ever so slowly as the men struggled. I yelled to them, you are doing it, keep it up, God is with us! God will give you strength," As the truck slowly came up a shot of air burst from the person's mouth. The men had gotten the truck high enough that air came out, but I could tell there was no breathing. Only the shot of exhale. I then prayed, "Lord, YOU will have to breath for this person. I can't reach her, Lord Jesus breath for her!" You know what happened, yes you do.... Jesus put breathe into her, she gasped and she opened her eyes at the same time!" I was on my hands and knees under that truck with 3 men holding it up and I yelled praise Jesus men you are doing it, keep it up, she is alive! (I was later told that when she got to the hospital, her right lung was still collapsed, but her left lung was inflated because the men held the truck up high enough for her to breath.)

My knees were shaking into the cold ground. The Lord kept me calm because as she woke up, she looked at me with eyes that were sticking completely out of her head from the pressure of the truck smashing her face. I didn't want to frighten her, so I said to her as I kept eye contact, "Do you see me? Well Jesus and his angels are here with us and they are going to save you." Do you hear the sirens? More help is on the way. I am here, Jesus is here. Keep looking at me and trusting in Jesus." She slowly tried to open her mouth and said with a very weak voice, "Hurry. I reassured her we were hurrying, but I couldn't be sure because everything was happening so

fast and I was in major prayer mode. So, I crawled out from under the truck and the three men were crying and saying we can't hold it any longer. I called out again to the Lord and asked for more strength for them. It was about 10 minutes now into the accident and these men had been holding up a full-size Bronco for about 8 of those minutes! I looked around and saw dozens of people all standing around watching!!! Are you kidding me? One lady asked how she could help and I yelled aloud, "Get me a blanket, the person is freezing!" The lady got me a blanket and I asked her to crawl under the other side of the truck and throw the blanket to me so we could cover the victim as best as we could. She was reluctant, so in all God's authority, I commanded her to get under the truck, God will protect you and there is no danger of the truck falling. She promptly crawled under and the two of us shimmied the blanket as best we could. It seemed like forever for the sirens to get to us and no one is coming to help the men or add more men – people are just standing around and watching. There was a state police officer conducting traffic and I ran over to him yelling, "Officer, those 3 men have been holding that truck for 10 minutes now, they need help!" I felt the presence of a huge angel at this time, as the officer snapped at me to get back and help was on the way and he was doing all he could." I felt the soft touch of Jesus telling me to go back to the truck and pray on my knees. I did just that. I don't know what I was praying, I don't know what I said, I just stayed on my knees next to that truck so she could see me and hear me and the men would be encouraged. I heard nothing as I was praying until I felt someone picking me up. The person picking me up was a rescue worker and he was telling me I had to get out of the way. I was praying so hard, I was apparently ignoring him, so he physically picked me up. They were setting up a huge air bag that would be blown up under the truck and lift it off of her.

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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.

Let Me Tell You About My Jesus Continued

I started to protest that I wouldn't leave her but I was too weak. He put me down and an officer walked me to his car. On the way there, a lady came running up to me saying, "I've never seen or heard anyone pray like that. What were you saying? That was amazing." I was too exhausted to speak and I didn't get to thank or speak with the men who held that truck up. I am not so sure if the men were really men or angels. I was thankful that she was in an ambulance and headed to the hospital.

I don't know how long I was in the police car, but when the officer got in the car. He asked if he could call anyone for me. Oh, yeah, I was on my way to work. No one at school knew where I was or why I hadn't showed up. I was a second-grade teacher at the time. I still was unable to speak, so I motioned for a pen and paper and wrote my school's phone

number down. The officer called and this is what he told our school secretary, "My name is Officer ___ and I have Mrs. Baselj in my car and she is going to be late for work. Thank you." Can you picture the look on the secretaries' face when that is all he told her! The officer needed my statement. I was still not able to speak, so he gave me a pencil and paper and asked if I could draw what happened. I was shaking, but I drew out the accident. He told me it couldn't have happened that way, the small truck had to have T-Boned her to flip like they did. I kept shaking my head no and pointing to my drawing. He reported it the way he decided it happened and the Sharon Herald reported it like the officer said. (Fake news even back then.) He said I could go, and I got out of the police car and walked to my car which was off the side of the road, still running and with my driver door still open. I was wet and muddy from my knees down and my shoes were soaked. I walked into the school office and everyone was so concerned and asking what happened – I was not able to speak. I wrote on a paper, "Miracles are hard." My principal helped me to the nurse's office and I slept for 4 hours. Being part of that miracle was exhausting. Exhausting but a blessing.

A received a call from the family of the victim. She had some severe injuries that she would recover from such as broken bones and a collapsed lung. She lost her spleen and would never be able to completely close her left eye. They were able to get her eyes back in but not completely enough for her left eyelid to cover the complete eye. They thanked me for saving her life. I promptly told them WHO saved her life, and it wasn't me. It was Jesus. I actually did nothing physically. The 3 men with the power of the Lord held that truck up and Jesus breathed breath into her lung. I prayed and Jesus sent his angels. I explained that it was ALL JESUS! ALL JESUS!

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Letter

from Jessica Clark

Cowboys For Christ,
I am writing in regards to your newspaper, Christian Ranchman. Some stories brought me to tears. I really enjoyed all the many stories. It gives me inspiration to know that I too will win this battle and I know I have a heavenly Father who loves me so much that He gave His only Son on the cross so that I can be cleansed and become a child of God. The last couple of years have been a struggle for me. In September 2018 my daughter received her wings and went to her heavenly home at the age of nine. There're just no words to describe the pain a parent goes through each day when they lose a child. Then eight months after she passed, I was arrested and have been incarcerated for the last three years. I still struggle to adjust myself to prison. For so long I just couldn't understand how this could happen. One day I see my beautiful daughter smiling and laughing then the next day she is gone. I am so very thankful for God coming into my life and being my strength. I still have my days and I still cry a lot, but without God I would never have made it this far. I just want to encourage anyone who is going through similar situations that you will make it through and God is not done. He has something so great planned for us and we will see our loved ones again and oh, what a glorious day that will be. I ask you to add me to your mailing list so I can continue receiving the Christian Ranchman and I would love to be added to your Bible studies and I would like a Bible and any other material you could send. Please continue to bless all of us through your newsletter. Remember, God gives His toughest battles to His strongest warriors. God bless, Jessica



Riding Point With Dave Harvey...



Vile

Rev 21:8 "But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars — their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death."

This verse sure has a tough message and it is one that we need to hear and respond to with a very positive and receiving attitude. No one wants to be labeled as being "cowardly, unbelieving, vile, a murderer, immoral or an idolater or a liar, but GOD'S WORD sure tells it like it is. So, we need to take notice, pray and seek HIM for the solution to these accusations.

Folks, as sinners we are all guilty of those and more. GOD'S WORD is true and in **Rom. 3:23** "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God", which very clearly states that we are all sinners and that we are all guilty. We may have never murdered another person, but we sure could have looked with hatred at someone at one time in our lives. We may have never been immoral, worshipped idols or practiced witchcraft, but there is sure a good chance that we all have told a lie sometime in our lives. We are all sinners, just as the HOLY BIBLE tells, and we must admit that fact to ourselves and to the LORD. JESUS said in **Mark 7:20-23** 20 He went on: "What comes out of a man is what makes him 'unclean.' 21 For from within, out of men's hearts, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, 22 greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. 23 All these evils come from inside and make a man 'unclean.'"

Unclean is unclean and vile is vile and stink sure stinks and sometimes it really stinks. A number of years ago I was in a very stinking situation. Our home at that time was invaded by an army of those cute black furry critters with a white strip down their backs which can sure cause a stink at times. It really wasn't inside the house, but underneath it. I am not sure why they liked our house, or why I was so blessed with their company. I certainly didn't invite them and I sure didn't want their presence in, under or around my home, but they came anyway. And stink has a way of making its presence very well known in a hurry.

Folks, I can assure you that you do not want a family of skunks living under your house, or anywhere close, as far as that is concerned. I really don't know why they had chosen to spray their toxic smelling odor, or whatever it was, but they sure did. I think that it was getting close to mating season and two males were dueling over their hopeful mate. Or, possibility the female was just not interested in either, but whatever the reason I was in the middle of a battle of the scents. And, I can also promise you that I didn't want to be there, but it was my home, or under my home, to be exact. With a bunch of help and strength from the LORD and much good advice from others I was blessed to get delivered from the stink and the ones that were giving me their two scents worth. In all things we are supposed to praise the LORD and, in this case, I really praised the LORD more for the going instead of the coming.

This stinking situation sure gave me time to think about stinking and about the vile. Our GOD is HOLY and HE is PURE, TRUE and GLORIOUS, and I am sure that HE doesn't welcome the vile or stinking, either. But HE is also LOVING and GRACIOUS and MERCIFUL. HE is in love with HIS creation and HE is so loving and merciful that HE accepts us in our vile and stinking sinfulness, just as we are. HE doesn't expect us to get clean before we cry out for forgiveness of our many sins, because we could never get clean without HIM. HE turns HIS back on our sins and sinfulness, but not on us. HE seeks fellowship with us; even as we are so repugnant and nasty, even when we are vile and stinking.

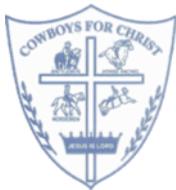
Well, sinners I have a surprise for you. **John 3:16** "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." You see, GOD in HIS LOVE looked on our vileness, filthiness and sinfulness and stink and HE still sent HIS ONLY SON to the cross to pay for our sins. **Rom 5:8** "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Remember, I said that GOD'S WORD is TRUE and JESUS CHRIST is the TRUTH. You can count on HIS TRUTH; you can stake your eternal salvation on the TRUTH of JESUS CHRIST. JESUS really went to the cross and HE really carried your confessed sins to the cross and that is where they are, if you have repented of those sins and accepted HIM as your LORD and SAVIOR.

In this world of stink, vileness and wickedness, we can reach out to JESUS CHRIST and be delivered from the penalty of our sins; if we confess, repent and turn to the SAVIOR. **1 John 1:9** "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." FATHER GOD loved you so much HE sent HIS SON to die on the cross and JESUS CHRIST went to the cross to pay your sin debt; all that is required of you is to confess, repent and believe. **Rom 10:9-10** 9 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." Go to the Decisions section in this paper and pray the prayer of salvation and GOD bless you as HIS new child, in JESUS' name, Amen.

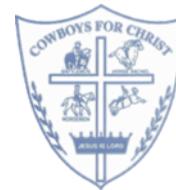
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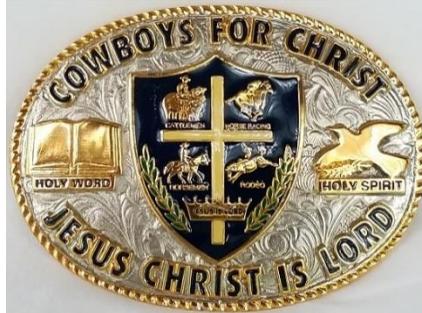
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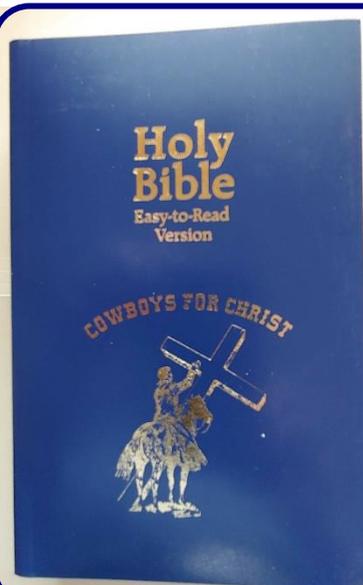
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Winter Cowboy Gathering

By Chaplain Dale Brenneman

The West Keystone Chapter of Cowboys For Christ held its winter retreat at Miracle Mountain Ranch in Spring Creek, PA, on January 28-30, 2022. The staff, students and the abiding presence of God truly put the "Miracle" in this Mountain-top experience! On Friday evening our group of 37 was greeted by Ben Freeman with a "Message From The Mount" presentation in the Rafter K Arena. Ben used a long-horn steer, a yearling, and his saddle horse to demonstrate how their relationship to him correlates to our relationship with the Lord.

Saturday morning, we woke to devotions with Dr. Dave Harvey, President of Cowboys For Christ. Observing his exuberance and gentle spirit while presenting the Word of God is a wonderful way to start the day! Dave also spoke Saturday afternoon when he inspired us with his passion and vision for the CFC Cowboy Chaplains of America program.

Matt Cox, Executive Director of Miracle Mountain Ranch, led a 3 session study throughout the weekend. This "Self-Counseling and Examination study" was taken primarily from the Book of Psalms, focusing on chapters 8 and 42. The theme verse was Ps. 8:1, "Lord, O Lord, how majestic is Your Name in all the earth". The best way to see ourselves for who we are is to see God for who He is.

Even with all this great teaching going on, we still had time for: trail rides in the snow at 10 degrees, plus in-hand obstacle competitions and drill team instruction in the arena. Not to mention the ever-popular domino marathon, joined this year by the "Marbles" game!

As the weekend drew to a close, two new Chaplains received their ordinations: Carol Steffler and Steve Richmond. Carol and her late husband, Bob, hooked their wagon to the CFC ministry in the late 80's. Their faithful devotion to the



Joel & Sheryl Nupp, Dale Brenneman, Carol Steffler, Dave, Steve Richmond and Dave McMillan

Lord and to CFC has been essential to the ministry of the West Keystone Chapter of CFC. Steve is a relative newcomer to the CFC ministry but has a heart filled with love and devotion to the Lord and an eagerness to help others come to know Him as well. We pray for these two, plus those now going through the chaplaincy program that God would use them mightily to proclaim His Name and fill His kingdom.

Thanks to MMR for a terrific weekend. Pictures and reviews of the weekend can be seen on our chapter website www.westkeystonecfc.com. Dates for next year's retreat will be announced soon. Why don't you bring your chapter and join us?!

2021 Continued

In November my elderly mother became ill, and I traveled to Pennsylvania to see her. She had the virus, and it was uncertain for many days if she would survive. She was on many prayer chains and by God's healing hands, she survived. She had a slow recovery and is still not 100%, but she is still with us. I am thankful that she survived and give God all the glory. But not all stories have happy endings. My soul sister and wonderful friend got sick with the virus and after a lengthy hospitalization,

covered in prayer by many, succumbed to the illness. I was heartbroken and wondered how God could have let her die. I questioned if there was something more I could have done, if I should have prayed more. It is easy to have faith when your prayers are answered, harder if they aren't. I continued to pray to my Father in heaven for understanding and acceptance of His will. I turned to His word to review His promises to us, His children, and found some peace and acceptance of my friends passing. Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct your paths. I had to be reminded that God is all seeing, all knowing and knows the future. He knows what is best for us even though we can not understand or see it at the time. Jesus promises us in John 16:33 - "I have overcome the world. God is with us in every season of our life." Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 says for everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. It is never easy to lose someone we love. Knowing that person loved Jesus, knew Him as their savior makes it easier as we know they are in heaven and suffer no more. (Continued on Page 12)

Ordination of Two Chaplains

from Chaplain Steve Tankersley

Howdy from West Tennessee. We had a wonderful Cowboy Church Service on February 13th. I was very honored to Officiate the Ordination Ceremony of our two Newest Cowboy Chaplains, Bro. Jeremy Jones from Ramer, TN. and Bro. George Kilgore from Petal, MS. Congratulations to both gentlemen. Please be in prayer for these gentlemen as they begin their new journey with Cowboys For Christ. Our message was from Matthew 5:13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Anyone who claims to be a Born again Believer, A True Christian then “ye are” (meaning, you are) the salt of the earth.

Salt is probably the most used seasoning in the world. You will find it on every table in a restaurant. Salt has thousands of different uses. Just to name a few, Salt is used as an antiseptic, Salt melts ice. Salt acts as a preservative. If you rub Salt into meat, it prevents the meat from decaying and it will last longer. Because of the rottenness of Sin in the world today, we should be functioning as a preservative. We do this by being different from the world that we live in. Salt seasons and adds flavor. If you don't use salt on your vegetables or popcorn, it will have a bland taste. Salt makes the food taste better. We are a seasoning agent in the world. A life without God will become dull and bland. If a seasoning does not have any flavor, then it has no value. Its good for nothing. If we don't make any effort to affect the world around us, then we are of little value in representing Gods presence in this world. Salt changes everything it comes in contact with. The world today needs some Salty saints. If we fail to be salty, then we fail to represent Jesus in the world. Do you still have your saltiness? Let's all go out and season the world with a little salt and bring it a new flavor. Until next time,

Everyone be blessed. God Loves You and We do, too. Round up for Jesus!



Chaplains Jeremy Jones, Steve Tankersley, George Kilgore

Cowboys For Christ Great Lakes Conference

by Sheri Gentry

It was cold and snowy in the Amish country of Ohio for the Great Lakes Conference Cowboys for Christ Gathering January 21-23, 2022. We were a little smaller in number than previous gatherings but so grateful for each person that attended. It was a refreshing time of hearing the growth of ministries, preaching from the Word, prayer, praise, and sweet fellowship. This year featured a variety of presenters, some of whom were present virtually with messages via video.

In person was Chaplain Mike Gentry, his wife Sheri, Christian Motorcycle Association Chaplain Todd Reimchisel, Chaplain Dale Brenneman, and

Chaplains Richard Vayda, Dave, Bob Werry, Bert Horrocks, and Mike Gentry



Cowboys for Christ President Chaplain Dave Harvey. Messages from Chaplain Skeeter Spaulding of Georgia, Chaplain Joel Nupp and Chaplain Brad Rineholt of Pennsylvania were received via video. Some of the high points that were shared: don't despise small beginnings—much growth has occurred through the dedicated efforts of people who started by just attending a gathering like the one in Berlin. We must realize that we need to keep our focus on Jesus—He gives us a hand up when we start to sink into fear or disappointment and we can all be Christ-like to others on a daily basis. Please know that God has a reason for all things and we sure need to look for the reason He has you where you are. It is so important to be prayed up and throw yourself on God's mercy to witness even in the darkest darkness, because Jesus' light shines through the night, in Him, there is no darkness at all. Obey God's still small voice and seek His kingdom first and all things will be added to you. Don't fall into discouragement, remember you are preaching to an audience of One. A calling is a Calling, and God always equips the called. Remember to take time away to pray, seek and rest in Jesus.

The weekend came to a close after a morning service and the ordination of Chaplain Bob Werry, another voice for the Lord under the Cowboys for Christ banner. Praise the Lord for the rest, rejuvenation, and reviving of the souls for those who are diligently sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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 Friend Sally Campbell

from Chaplain Karen Burgoon

My dear friend and soul sister, Sarah "Sally" Campbell of Aiken, SC, 80, passed away peacefully in her home on Friday, January 14, 2022 from complications of Covid-19. Born in St. Louis, MO, Sally was a daughter of the late Ira Charles and Eunice Gregory Wilson. She graduated from Moniteau High School in 1960 in West Sunbury, PA. She married John Campbell, July 16, 1960 in Concord Church in Hooker, PA. She was a school bus driver for Campbell Bus Company, retiring in 2003. She served as a 4-H leader for Butler County from 1976 to 1991 and shared her love and passion for horses and riding with many throughout that time. The kids knew she would joke with them, give them advice when asked, and was the ultimate horseshow mom.

In addition, she served on the Horse Committee for the Butler Fairgrounds, Butler, PA for many years. Sally was an extremely talented artist, right up until she became ill. She still hand painted and enjoyed giving her paintings to loved ones. She loved all God's creatures and raised many abandoned birds, raccoons and squirrels. She was trail riding with her family in Aiken, SC in Hitchcock Woods a few weeks before she became ill. She loved Jesus and her Lord. She was the ultimate wife, sister, mother, grandmother, cowgirl, and friend. Sally will be terribly missed by us all. She was always upbeat and kind, even when very ill those last few weeks, a testament to the love that dwelled in her and overflowed into the lives of all she met. Sally never met a stranger. I know she is home with our Lord, helping in the heavenly stables and riding the 1,000 hills and valleys. Until we meet again sweet friend.

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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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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.

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2021 Continued

Having a Father who loves us and who keeps His promises to us is so reassuring. I am so thankful for my Jesus and for the living word that explains His promises and gives us such Hope in dark times. We need to take this hope to the hurting, fearful world of people who do not know the peace of living in Christ, the assurance of a Father who loves us and protects us. He never leaves us and is standing with His arms open, ready to hold us tight. I could not have survived 2021 without Him in my life, my heart, and my soul. I pray that I will be a light in the darkness, one person at a time. God didn't give us Jesus just for ourselves, to keep Him a secret. He expects us to share Him with folks. When the Lord nudges you to speak or act, do it. Pray for the right words at the right time. Receive the blessing. Remember you needed someone to teach you and reach you for the Lord, it doesn't happen in a vacuum. I don't know what 2022 has in store for us but our Lord does. Remember to trust in the Lord your God and follow His leading through prayer, bible study, and fellowship with other Christians. If God is for us the principalities of darkness cannot overtake us and, in the end, we will be all right. I read the back of the book. Be blessed and be a blessing.

Testimony

from Chaplain Trinity Cox

The Heavenly Hoofbeats chapter God has always been a big part of my life, even as a child. I grew up in Church, and at 12 years old I was baptized. While in church I would sing and when I sang it was like God was speaking to me. The music would reach out to me and give me a peace that no other music does. In school I took my Bible with me and would read it when I had free time. It was hard to relate to kids my own age. I spent every moment learning more about God. My church didn't have a youth group, so I went to adult Bible study at 16 years old. That's when I learned not everyone starts following God at the same time in life. I knew things in Scripture that others didn't know and some things I didn't know. Church family to me is very important. They helped me in my faith walk from day one and I am still learning. I enjoy teaching what I have learned and telling others what God has done in my life which is the most important thing to me.



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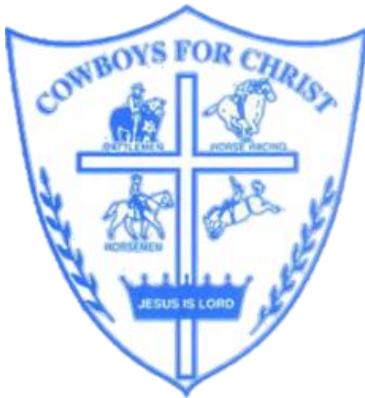
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My Testimony

from Chaplain Steve Richmond

Forgiveness--what does it mean and how do we do it?? It means to release someone from the wrong they have committed against us, and is probably the hardest thing we will ever be asked to do. The only way it can be done is by getting God in the middle of it.

I had to learn to forgive my mother for her indifference toward me as a child, for the abuse I suffered at the hands of her then husband without any protection from her, and for the blame she put on my small shoulders. I spent many many years with pent up anger and would imagine her in a helpless state where I could hold back help and support from her, just as she had held it back from me. I wanted her to suffer like I had. The problem with that was that I had found the Lord as a very young child and understood the Honor Thy Father and Thy Mother commandment found in Exodus 20:12. There were no disclaimers, or ifs and buts. How could God ask this of his children??

I left home at an early age and my life went through a lot of twists, turns and mistakes. My mother was in my life, but not in my life. I had children of my own, but she was busy making bad decisions in her own life and didn't embrace being a grandmother. Years passed, nothing changed in our relationship. It wasn't until meeting up with Cowboys For Christ at a retreat years later that the Lord opened my eyes to my feelings toward her. I resented her but I also loved her and desperately wanted her to love me. At this point, her health was failing, and my siblings let it be known that they would not be shouldering any responsibility for her or even be a part of her life.

For ten years, I took her to Drs. appointments, sat at the hospital while she was ill or having a procedure, moved her to places where she thought she would be happier, took her shopping, and did things to try and make her happy. Rarely was there a thank you and her wants and needs grew. I battled the resentment DAILY!! I wanted something in return! Validation, respect, love!

I went into this with the idea that my works would change her, and that she would eventually see my worth. It never happened. What happened was, I changed. I started to really understand how Grace works, how I didn't deserve the things God gives to me and how he loves me despite my shortcomings. I remember telling my boss that the Lord was healing my heart and when He was done, He would take her. I also remember telling my Mom after she went into a long term care facility, that I would not abandon her and even though I couldn't continue to keep up with her failing health without help, I would be a phone call away and very

present in her life. With Jesus in my heart, I was able to keep my promise to her. I had no desire to see her suffer or want to punish her. She was going through enough without me adding to it. I was overflowing with compassion for her! She was a believer but had such a fear of dying. I did my best to comfort her and to remind her there is healing on the other side. Mom passed in July of 2021 and I was devastated. No--the apology never came, the warm fuzzy moments didn't happen, but I had Peace beyond all understanding and I praise the Lord for giving me the strength to see her through. As I was leaving the nursing home at what would be my last visit, she said to me 'thanks for coming.' I turned to her and replied "I'll always come Mom". I cried all the way home.

Don't fall into the worlds philosophies on dealing with difficult people and situations. There are rewards for the efforts. Withholding love and resources from others is not Gods will for us as his ambassadors. Get into the word and seek the Lord's guidance. Forgiveness is a decision, not a feeling. One day at a time, one hour at a time, one step at a time---Philippians 4:13-I can do ALL thing through Christ who strengthens me.

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