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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

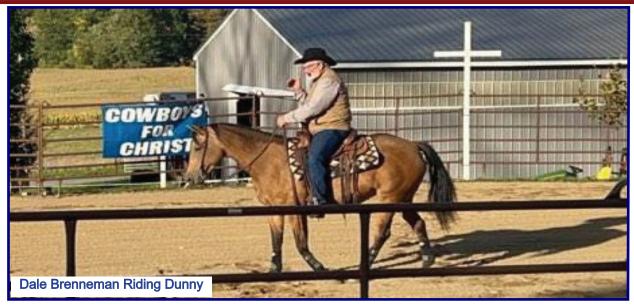
# How to Use Your Horse in Ministry

by Chaplain Dale Brenneman

People love horses! Because of that we have a tremendous ministry tool right in our barns! I have been blessed to experience this as over the last several years the Lord has led me to develop a presentation I call "Life Lessons On Horseback". This demonstration uses horses to show analogies between a horse's relationship to its handler and our relationship to the Lord. Some of the topics we cover are overcoming fear, submission, trust, obedience and being willingly guided. If this idea draws your interest and you feel the Holy Spirit saying "You could do that", then prayerfully consider what you and your horse could do as you follow His leading.

People who do not own horses love to see them. Horse owners can really relate to the examples, and then are reminded of the message when dealing with their own horses daily. You do not have to have a perfectly trained horse to do this. In fact, a horse that is hesitant or refuses occasionally really depicts how we sometimes react to the Lord's direction. God deals with all sorts of people from

outlaws to saints, so almost any horse can



be used to demonstrate some aspect of our relationship to the Lord. From a bucking, headstrong colt to the yielded spin of a finished reiner and all the steps in between, it can all reflect our walk in becoming conformed to the likeness of Christ. (Romans 8:29). My horse is pretty willing to side pass so we use that to demonstrate how God takes a natural ability (being able to step sideways a step or two in the pasture) and turns it into a super-natural ability (side passing over cones and other objects, or clear across an arena). If you have a trail horse, show how

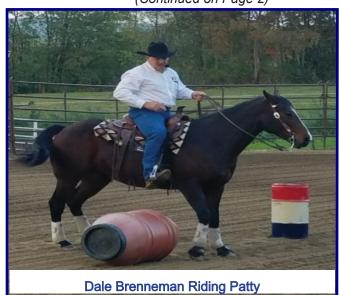
it can maneuver over obstacles because it is willing to be guided by you just as we can overcome obstacles in our lives when we allow Jesus to guide us. (Isaiah 55:8-9). Or, if you have a jumper you could show how you can "soar on eagles' wings" as it says in Isaiah 40:31. Even a pasture buddy horse can teach a great lesson about wanting to stay "in the pasture" where all its needs are provided, but if it is unwilling to submit to training it can never enjoy the greater purpose its owner had for it. The possibilities are endless, so let the Holy Spirit inspire you.

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#### How to Use Your Horse Continued

Here are some tips if you decide to pursue this type of ministry:

- Pray Allow God to lead and provide the ideas
- Keep your spectators safe! Horses are unpredictable and most people do not understand that these are not carousel horses.
- Be yourself don't pretend to know more than you do. People respect honesty.
- Don't be afraid to expose you or your horse's weaknesses (2 Cor.12:9-11).
   Turn them into inspiring parts of your demo by relating them to God's ability to use them.
- Be flexible! When dealing with horses things don't always go as planned! The horse who was completely cooperative at home may be uncooperative in front of a crowd. Use it to demonstrate our own uncooperative spirit when God asks something of us!
- Adapt your presentation to your surroundings. We have done "Life Lessons On Horseback" in nice indoor arenas and we have done them on a 12' x 12' section of blacktop in the rain. Pray about what will work in the space you are given and trust God to use it!
- Be respectful of your host! Stay within the time parameters they request. CLEAN UP WHEN YOU LEAVE – every road apple, piece of hay, and hoofprint in the lawn!
- Be in uniform! If you are representing Cowboys For Christ as you do this, be sure to wear your CFC gear. Keep it cowboy and keep it based on God's Word.

Using horses in ministry is not a new concept. There are many across the country: Sermon On The Mount, Sermon From The Mount, From Corral To The Cross, Life Lessons On Horseback. (Some of these names are copy righted). Pick a name for your ministry and get started. I can't wait to read in The Christian Ranchman what God does through you and your horse!



East Coast Equine Ministry Clinic by Chaplain Jesse Bowman

Our sovereign Lord has a way of working things out according to His plans! September 22, with tropical storm Ophelia bearing down on the Wings Of Hope Ranch, East Coast Equine Ministry Clinic, God sent a message of support and encouragement to the participants gathered for the three day clinic. With an ominous forecast, clinic organizers made the decision to carry on, as many people had already arrived from up and down the east coast, across the country and even from Australia. As the pre-clinic activities were taking place Friday evening, and thoughts of the impending weather were on everyone's mind, a spectacular rainbow appeared in the pasture behind the barns and arena. Everyone stopped to gaze at the full color beauty and splendor of God's handiwork. It was as if God was telling those gathered, it's ok, I will bless this clinic. As the first ever representative of Cowboys For Christ to attend this clinic, I stood in awe in the pasture and it seemed as if I was standing directly in the center of this powerful message from above.

Located on 50 acres in beautiful Western Hanover, Virginia, Wings of Hope Ranch is a Christian-based ministry pairing rescued horses with children and teens facing challenges, free of charge. Those gathered had come to share best practices, learn how to start a biblically based equine ministry from the ground up, and participate in hands on training sessions with horses to help hurting people.

I was excited, humbled and more than a little nervous representing Cowboys For Christ among such devoted and experienced folks. Yet, from the outset, the staff and organizers made me feel right at home. Each afternoon I was permitted a one-hour presentation called, Life Lessons from the Round Pen. Using one of my new young quarter horse mares as an assistant, we discussed the similarities that exist when training a young horse and our natural instinct to rebel against God and try and go our own way. The critical importance of building a trusting relationship with the horse, was used as an analogy to our need to be in right standing with our creator, and to surrender our will to Jesus. Like the young horse that learns to trust his trainer, trusting in Jesus, our lives will take on a new meaning and direction as we learn obedience, trust, and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

One hundred and fifty people attended the clinic and yes, the rains did come! But the winds and the heavy downpour could not dampen anyone's spirit.

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#### East Coast Ministry Continued

While some activities had to be moved inside the barn and the covered arena, the staff and volunteers of Wings Of Hope made it all happen with apparent ease. Some classes were held in the barn alleyway and vendors and presenters set up tables inside stalls.

Each evening began with a devotional message and was followed by inspirational and uplifting praise music. On Sunday morning, a talented trio raised the name of Jesus in moving songs, which was followed by Pastor Gerald Castlebury, from Cross Branded Cowboy Church, who led a spirit driven gospel message.

Many of the attendees, staff and volunteers visited the Cowboys For Christ table and picked up the Christian Ranchman. Dozens wanted to check and see who was listed as a Chaplain in their home state so they could reach out to them when they returned home. Dr. Dave Harvey had sent me an ample resupply of tracts, materials and Bibles which were greatly received and taken up by folks stopping by to find out more about Cowboys For Christ ministry.

What a blessing it was to attend and share the good news of Jesus Christ with fellow brothers and sisters. They are devoted Christians who selflessly bring the message of God's loving, saving grace and mercy to hurting people across this nation. I remain humbled and grateful that I was asked to represent Cowboys For Christ at this ministry clinic. This is an event to keep on the radar screen in the future! You can learn more about Wings Of Hope equine ministry at Wingsofhoperanch.org. If you get the opportunity to attend, you will be encouraged, inspired, blessed, and reenergized to go forth and spread the good news!



# Chaplain Report

by Chaplain Tommy Tutt

Every Sunday is good with the men in white at the Robertson Unit in Abilene Texas, but this morning was extra special. I got my boots wet witnessing 39 of those men going under for the Lord, making a public affirmation of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord is truly doing a great work out there because of the obedience of many folks on the unit. Starting with Warden Cozby who is aware that the only true rehabilitation comes through Jesus Christ. God has placed many good servants who are all about getting His work done; Chaplains, field ministers and a whole army of men sharing the Lord's Gospel with all who are willing to listen. It's my prayer that the revival that is taking place behind those walls would spread to the world outside of those walls. If only the freedom and liberty that is being received by the men in white behind those walls could be discovered by the so-called free world. Give us eyes to see and ears to hear, Bless the nation once again Lord Jesus!!!

### **Biblical Coins** Part 3 - The Coin in the Fish's Mouth

by Chaplain John Duggan

With this being Salmon Season, I headed out to a tributary near my home. While fishing I remembered a story in the Bible, about a coin in a fish's mouth. I felt as if God wanted me to tell it, and so I will. "Jesus said to him but so that we may not offend them, go to the lake, and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch; open its mouth and you will find a four-drachma coin. Take it and give it to them for my tax and yours" (Matthew 17:26-27).

Let's investigate this Biblical coin, the four- drachma. They were originally made of silver and minted in various denominations. The four-drachma coin would have been the exact amount at that time to pay the temple tax for two people. These coins were minted between the 3rd and 5th century B.C. In an

ancient text that had been written in the 3rd century B.C. there is mentioned that a fourdrachma coin would be enough to purchase one sheep. Due to a lack of information on exchange rates from such earlier periods, it is difficult to give an exact value of its worth in today's prices, however it is thought to be worth around \$4.80.

What can we learn from this extraordinary miracle of Peter catching a fish with a coin in its mouth. First we must trust and have faith in Christ, and that He will always be with us, as explained in (Hebrews 13:5). Most importantly, this Chaplain, believes it to show the future redemptive quest of Jesus Christ. For the fish gives up a coin in its mouth to pay the debt of the temple, as Jesus gives up His life to pay the debt for our salvation. Amen!

## My Testimony

by Marilyn Turner

I have never been close enough even to touch a horse, but the same Creator of the horse, touched me.

Hi, I am Marilyn Turner, a retired nurse, a nationally published author, a Kentucky Colonel, but most of all I am a child of the Most High God. I wish my testimony to be spread as wide as a huge ranch. I want everyone to know how I survived severe poverty, low self-esteem and cruel domestic (Continued on Page 4)

A Cowboy Chaplain is called to serve the MOST HIGH GOD and fulfill the commission from our **LORD** in Mark 16:15. That commission is to "GO" and Cowboy Chaplains accept that calling to "GO" wherever and whenever possible to proclaim, to witness, to reach out to the lost. The Eternal Salvation of those ministered to must remain the constant and sustaining goal of a Cowboy Chaplain. As the Chaplain cares for their concerns, seeks to comfort their hurting and be of service to them there must be a strong desire for them to come to know JESUS CHRIST as their SAVIOR and **LORD**. If you feel led by the **LORD** to be a Cowbov Chaplain, please contact us! Email: cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org

#### My Testimony Continued

violence from more than one individual. I have PTSD. I have Fibromyalgia as addressed by a rheumatologist (whom related that diagnosis to being a victim of people in my past.)

But now I have The Holy Spirit within, like Apostle Paul, I must look forward, not backward to my past except in this case hoping my story could encourage others. Phil. 3:14-16

My life started out good. Even though we were poor, I didn't recognize it. I was the youngest daughter of a family with an older sister and three younger brothers living in a four-room shack. How I loved my family! But my poor daddy could not keep a job. He experienced terrible shell-shock in World War II. He drew a meager pension that we lived off of. My mother was as close to an angel as a human can get. I was spoiled.

At age nine, I decided I wanted to become a missionary when I saw UNICEF pictures of the starving kids. I wrote to a missionary organization which stated: "just because I cry over pictures does not mean that I would ever be called as a missionary." This was a great disappointment, especially when my parents read the letter. They both said I would get killed right off as I was way too naïve to cross into a foreign land. My mother told me I should be a nurse, therefore I would still be helping others in an important way. She said folks were hurting everywhere not just in foreign countries. My mother was correct. I was always rooting for the downtrodden, the afflicted, I guess you could say the "underdogs."

I hitchhiked to college at age 19. I chose an all-girl's Christian College. (Now known as Midway University.) I became a registered nurse in three short years. I received government grants to help me through my education. I also had a job at the school to pay room and board. That wonderful school spoiled me, too. But only three months after my graduation, I met an 18-year-old alcoholic. When I first saw him, he was lying on the floor crying. My nurse-heart broke for him. But I thought I could surely

"fix him." Flash forward to a date with this guy who ended up raping me. Somehow, I knew, I just knew that I was pregnant from that terrible event. And I was. Back in the 1970's, a woman could not have a baby out of wedlock and a good reputation at the same time. So, I told this young man that he had not choice but to marry me. After all what would my Nazarene church think? It would truly devastate my Christian parents.

The abuse began on the honeymoon. I could list my injuries; I could name names but I won't. I felt abused by his whole family. However, EVERY cent I made was taken from me to purchase whiskey. I became like a beggar on the streets. I did not even have detergent to wash my white nursing uniforms. I was starved down to 88 pounds and I am 5'7" tall. Needless to say, my good name was destroyed to my co-workers at the hospital. I lost my job. I lost EVERTHING. I even suffered a miscarriage later on in the marriage with my second pregnancy.

The bottom line is Jesus never left me. He has never forsaken me. I had the baby-a wonderful boy who loves the Lord. (I dedicated him to the Lord at his birth.) I HOPE ALL YOUNG WOMEN WILL KEEP THEIR CHILDREN, NO MATTER WHAT. It was not the baby's fault. It is never the baby's fault.

It literally took years before I could establish myself well in the medical field again. I divorced. I remarried. My new husband adopted my sons. (A second son was born to my first marriage.) God knew how to bring me up again by His favor. The husband attended nursing school to receive his nursing degree. Soon he was friends with all the nurses in the area. Freeing my name from gossip and slowly letting me build up my profession again. Yes! It is true God will repay what the locust has eaten. Joel 2:25 Not only did God give me a good name again, but he blessed me with a daughter. I began a writing career as well. Eventually writing an article for the National Nurses' Association. (It was a front-page story.) Nurses could study it for educational units. So, you can see how God lifted me from rock bottom to national attention.

Thank you for letting me share this testimony. It is not nearly enough. There are no words to write that would worship my heavenly Father as I want to. I know someday I might get to ride on a white horse with Jesus and ride off into the sunset of this old earth and on to heaven. Amen. In the meantime, I tip my pink cowgirl hat to you and your splendid "Christian Ranchman."

## Disobedient to the Spirit

by Brandon Ashmore

I grew up going to church but I spent a good portion of my life walking after the flesh. I accepted Christ as Lord and Savior when I was twelve, although I didn't have much of a personal relationship with Him. In the Gospel of Matthew chapter 13, Jesus tells a parable about a sower that went out to sow. In verse7, He tells how some of the seeds, "fell among the thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them." He further explains in verse 22 "he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the Word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the Word and he becomes unfruitful."

I went to church, heard the Word of God preached, but as soon as those church doors opened, I was again enticed by the world from my own desires. The people that I perceived as friends told me things that my "itching ears" wanted to hear, ultimately turning me away from the truth. 2 Timothy 4:3-4 I wore a good mask, but there was truly no peace within myself. All I felt was darkness and depression. I eventually hit bottom when I became incarcerated. That first night in the county jail was the worst. I battled with a suicidal spirit that whole night.

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#### Disobedient Continued

My sins were exposed to my family and my church. The enemy in me was telling me that it would be better to curse God and die rather than to suffer any longer. I thank God for providing the strength to endure the temptation.

My pastor came to visit while I was in the county jail. To be honest, I really didn't want to see him. I was ashamed and embarrassed. Unlike my friends, he didn't tell me things that I wanted to hear, he told me the truth. After he left, I sat alone in my cell and God started to speak to my heart "He spoke the truth." That truth started to sink in and it hurt, but in that truth. God started to soften my heart. The next day I received a Bible and I daily set aside time and devoted it to reading and applying God's Word. One night I dropped to my knees and cried out to God for forgiveness of my sins and rededicated my life to Him. That was almost seven years ago, and since that night I have allowed Him to lead me.

The Christian walk has not been easy but I can honestly say that even though I write this letter from behind bars, I have never

felt more free. There is a peace like none other when you know just how much God loves you. Romans 8:16 "For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." If you have not yet confessed Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior, I pray that you do today. Please don't harden your heart like I did. Hebrews 4:7 "Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts." I believe that Christ can save you, no matter what you have done in your past or how bad you may think you are. Romans 10:9 If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

Surround yourself with other believers and wise men that will tell you the truth. Proverbs 13:20 "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companions of fools will be destroyed." Find a church to go to or go to chapel services and get involved. Hebrews 10:25 tells us to not forsake the assembling of ourselves together. I hope and pray that my testimony has been a blessing to you. Thank you and all the members of the Christian Ranchman for your faith and dedication of sharing the word of God.

Letters to the Editor

(Editor's note: Bibles, Bible Studies, and Christian Ranchman are sent Free to all who request them)

Cowboys For Christ, I pray that this brief note finds you in the best of spirits and health. I am a new child in Christ and I am desperately seeking growth. Can you please send me a Bible, Bible studies and sign me up for you free magazine. In Jesus name, Brandon in Texas

Cowboys For Christ, Yes, Hi, my name is Robert and the reason why I'm writing you this letter is to request your free Bible studies and your Christian Ranchman by mail. I would also like to know if there are any Cowboys For Christ churches that are in Oklahoma? I thank you for your time, and hope to hear from you at Cowboys For Christ about my request and my question. God bless you all at Cowboys For Christ Headquarters, Robert in Oklahoma

Dear Cowboys, I've recently stumbled across one of your newsletters on the library cart where I am currently incarcerated. I'm in a dorm-type environment and live amongst several other inmates who are also trustees here. Just wanted to write and ask if I could subscribe to your newsletter, because we all enjoy the working-class testimonies and praise in your articles. We're located in Virginia, and though not all of us are "cowboys" we have all found your newsletter both intriguing and inspiring. Thank you all for the work you do for Christ and His Word. We look forward to hearing back from you, and hope to read more of you papers! Thank Y'all, and God bless! Zachariah (and the rest of I-Pad) in Virginia

To Whom It May Concern, Yes, my name is Jathyn and I am locked up in jail. I am trying to change my life around and I need help with a Bible. So, I'm asking you if y'all can help me with one. Thank you and God bless, Jathyn in Texas

Dear Cowboys For Christ, My wife who has in the past, did a ministry for Cowboys For Christ for 16 years, her and her husband. He got badly ill and passed into Heaven over 2 years ago. She has since remarried and together we are continuing receiving your paper. I have been writing an inmate in Indiana State Prison for years. Your newsletter is most heart feeding. you possibly send him a subscription to your paper? I know he needs it in the worst way. Unless he wins an appeal, he will be spending his life behind bars. I would count it as Heaven coming down to earth if you would consent to send this mailing to him. We have donated to you before and will continue to do so. Thank you so very much for your tireless work! Much love in Christ, Don & Mary in Michigan

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# Letters Continued

Cowboys For Christ, please send me a Cowboys For Christ Holy Bible and your newspaper. I'm a new Christian and want the fellowship in Jesus Christ. I'm not a cowboy, but I'm a brother in Christ. I have been in prison for 50 years and 8 months now. I got locked up in 1971 and when I can into this prison life, I was facing the death sentence for murder. But God saved me from death, I died for Christ gave all my life to God and God will not let me die no more. I'm 71 years old and in pretty good shape, I work out every day. But anyway, yes, I'm staying clean cause I honor God. Well by for now. Love y'all in Jesus, Johnny in Texas

Cowboys For Christ, Hello, my mom is interested in getting a subscription to the free bi-monthly publication of Cowboys for Christ but I was having trouble finding the link on the website. Can you give me more information about how she can go about getting this? Thanks in advance. Chelsey in Missouri

#### **Testimony**

by Chaplain Bobbi Dupertuis

"All scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Every year since 2010 the Lord has given me a word or a couple words for the season we are moving into. In 2010 He gave me the words, "Slowly, surely, and suddenly." Every year since then He has given me words which I have seen come to pass and I have recorded. In 2010 Coy Huffman gave me my first Cowboys for Christ Bible and he and his precious wife Donna wrote in it and launched me as an arrow leaving the bow. He recently crossed over the great divide, as my friend and Pastor Henry and Grace Falany shared with me. I was able to offer a tribute to him in the rodeo program that will be shared at our 2023 rodeo in Mariposa, CA. My word for 2023 was "overflow" and in 2020 in November at Henry and Graces home I

was prayed over along with Papa Gill for a double anointing. Henry's word was strong "Feed my sheep" which the Lord had given him years before. Henry also has a saying, "Hidden in plain sight." Little did I know at that time my baby girl at age 36 would pass, and both my parents within 6 months, a week and a half apart, which led into separation of many family members which has not been restored to date. Little did I know that God was moving me then into the scripture that Coy Huffman gave me in 2010. Eph3:20, Coy wrote at that time, that God was taking me into the reality of this scripture. Coy, I will keep my eye on the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Donna his precious wife wrote, "We thank God for connecting us with you. Looking forward to spending eternity together" and I'm here to say we will. I know and try to look for one good thing in others and make a deposit. For the good, for all eternity. We need to encourage one another and speak life into one another. Two are better than one, Me, "I love us united" When my time on earth is done, I pray someone looks at the Bibles I have used and say, "She went there often, and know that all is well "In 2023 my year of overflow, gave me Lana Lucy and Sandra. A "3 chord strand that can't be easily broken" Prayer warrior, message bringer and singing of the old hymns. My scripture that went along with this was Colossians 3:12-17. I knew life was all good. Pray California came along and Marayl ask me to be a prayer leader for Mariposa. Lindee from helping hands and my group of sisters there were also a big part of the transformation. (Mariposa, butterfly, transformation) I was being restored. I am coming out of 2023 better than what I went in. I believe it when I see, "It is written" as Jesus did when he began His ministry. Satan tempted Him, in chapter 4 of Matthew, Jesus answered him and said," It is written "Jesus gave us the same authority by His finished work on the cross via of the blood of Jesus. and we can say," Away with you Satan, For it is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.

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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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# Riding Point With Dave Harvey...

HAVE YOU ASKED

**John 16:22-24 22** So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy. In that day you will no longer ask me anything. I tell you the truth, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.

Our LORD JESUS CHRIST in these verses is teaching HIS disciples and in extension; all Christians, or all of HIS followers a TRUTH and a very necessary lesson. The disciples were very distraught as they

had just been told by our LORD that HE was going away and they would not be able to go to where HE was going. And to address their concerns JESUS told them that in the day that HE leaves they will not have to worry, even though they would not have HIM to ask any questions, to teach them or to address their concerns. JESUS clearly declares the TRUTH of how and when and why we are to ask THE FATHER in HIS NAME in **John 16:12-15**. Certainly, the disciples were greatly concerned as to what they were supposed to do without HIM. And I am sure they wanted to ask HIM where was HE going and why they couldn't follow HIM. But THE MASTER of our souls understood their fears and ours, and HE wanted to calm those fears with this wonderful TRUTH. What about you? When you are faced with a difficult situation or an unfamiliar circumstance or a big change in your life, there are certainly feelings of concern, worry and at times, even despair. These feelings are actually mostly normal, as we are all human, just like the disciples. They had been with JESUS for around two and one-half years; listening to HIS teachings, seeing HIS miracles and for most of them they had dedicated their lives to following HIM. But there were many questions and they wanted answers, of which JESUS was trying to answer, but those answers were very hard for them to comprehend, and especially to understand. It is a TRUTH that is difficult to grasp, but they and we actually greatly benefited by having lost the physical presence of JESUS CHRIST, as we now have the promised HOLY SPIRIT and we also have our LORD and SAVIOR at the right hand of THE FATHER in the Heavenly Kingdom. Besides, HE has promised to never leave us nor forsake us. **Heb. 13:5** 

What about you, have you ever asked a question or asked for something, and to be more specific, how do you ask; for either? There are actually two forms of asking or petitions voiced. First, you are usually seeking an answer when you ask a question. You are asking for directions to a destination, or information on where, when or how; but you are requesting some type or form of information. Then we have another type of asking which is seeking a thing or that is requesting a gift, an article, an item or something tangible, in which you have a need or a want.

Now, some folks and I think that most cowboys and cowgirls, usually fit this type person; put some effort in asking or seeking an answer or solution to their question or need. They are not satisfied with just a response or any answer, they want the truth, or the genuine article or item they are seeking. A substitute won't work and a lie or false answer won't make it, either. And it appears that the disciples can be included in this group, as they were really concerned and wanted the TRUTH and the correct answer. And again, most folks and cowboys and cowgirls included, want the TRUTH and they really appreciate understanding the TRUTH that is presented to them. We all want to know the truth and we really want the whole truth.

But what did the disciples and in turn all of GOD'S children gain from losing the presence of JESUS CHRIST? First and foremost, HIS death on the cross brought us eternal life by the precious BLOOD OF THE LAMB OF GOD washing away our sins, and leaving us white as snow. (Is. 1:18) HIS WORDS were spoken, but not received, because until HIS death HIS WORDS were only WORDS, but at the cross those WORDS were certainly proven in a way that could not be refuted. Next, HIS resurrection declared HIS victory over death, hell and the grave and established the TRUTH of eternal life to all who would believe as stated in John 3:16, Rom 5:8 and Rom 6:23. Then HIS ascension confirmed to any and to all that JESUS CHRIST is truly the MESSIAH from THE FATHER and we have the written HOLY WORD OF GOD to prove it all and give us faith, hope and complete TRUTH.

Then the glorious promise of the HOLY SPIRIT became a proven reality as was evident and confirmed on the day of Pentecost and all down through the ages and to this very day. HIS death was real, HIS promises are real and HIS WORD establishes these TRUTHS for all to receive and live eternally with the TRUTH of JESUS CHRIST. Now, I want to know if you have asked JESUS CHRIST to be your LORD and SAVIOR? Then I want to know if you have asked HIM to guide, direct and help you serve HIM? If HE is you LORD; prove it with your thoughts, your words and your actions, and let those around you see HIM in those thoughts, words and actions, In JESUS' NAME. Amen. GOD bless you as you ask, as you seek, and as you serve THE MASTER. Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. In Christ,



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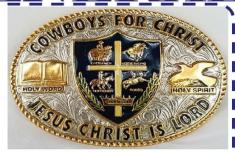
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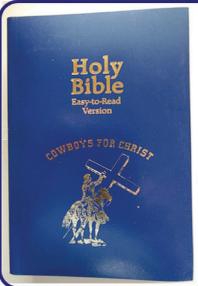
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## Chaplain Report

by Chaplain Frankie Matthews

God is on the move in the sport of Rodeo! In early 2022, we began our cowboy church services with North Georgia Little Britches and Rock'n 5L Youth Rodeos. We'd have a small crowd of 15-20 people. Fast forward to last weekend. We had nearly 200 in the stands! Through the success of the ministry and the Grace of God, we had our first Cowboy Baptism! We baptized 6 new children of God! Cowboy Church has brought this group together as a stronger rodeo family. Our goal is to plant the seeds. If we can lead these young cowboys and cowgirl to Christ, we are enabling them to be part of a new God loving generation.

# Chaplain Matthews Leading Prayer before Bull Riding



Gary Liston, Dave, Bob Werry, Dale Brenneman, Karen Burgoon, Bert Horrocks, David McMillan, Tammy Burton, Carol Steffler, and two young chaplains to be.

#### Northeast Fall Gathering

by Chaplain Karen Burgoon

The 7th annual CFC Northeast Fall Gathering at Elkins Creek Horse Camp in beautiful Pedro Ohio September 21 to 24 was the best yet. Attendees were blessed with beautiful weather, great teaching, and wonderful fellowship. A big thank you to Rick and Jill Mcleese for providing the facilities and for the maintenance of the trail system. Entertainment was provided by Poverty String Band on Friday and Mercy Line Gospel Group on Saturday. We were so blessed by their musical talents. A big thank you to Rodney Parker for his salvation message delivered through the music ministry. The Bible study for the gathering was focused on "the light – Genesis 1:3", with the theme song of "This Little Light of Mine" presented by Chaplain Dale Brennaman. We thank Chaplains Bob Werry and Dale Brenneman for the afternoon lessons. Dale and Dunny did a great job presenting Life Lessons On Horseback. Bob's presentation on trust was well received. CFC president Dave Harvey presented afternoon devotions and was back on the porch Sunday morning sharing the morning message. A big welcome to our newest Chaplain Gary Liston who was ordained and then baptized.

No gathering is complete without ice cream and birthday cake. Thank you to Chaplain

Tammy Burton and friends for providing and serving the delicious treats Saturday evening. There were many shared testimonies of how God has been moving since last year as well as many calling upon the Lord with new prayer requests.

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# A Living Memorial

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

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

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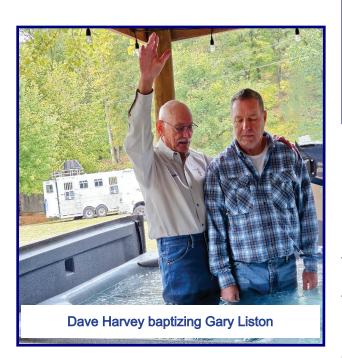
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#### Northeast Fall Gathering Continued

The gathering was well attended with 10 chaplains from 4 states in attendance as well as attendees who hailed from 7 states with one man traveling to Ohio from Michigan to see what CFC and the Gathering were about. He had read about the event in the Christian Ranchmen. The silent auction successfully raised over 3000 dollars in donations to benefit the CFC Bible fund. We want to thank you, the attendees, for your generosity.

Please mark your calendars for September 26 to 29, 2024 for next year's event. Many people have already reserved their spot for next year. Check Elkins Creek website and West Keystone CFC webpage for details of the event in the coming months. Come and enjoy the beauty of God's creation with old and new friends sprinkled with the Holy Spirit and God's ever true messages. May you all be blessed and be a blessing. See you next year.









Glory Reins Ranch Celebrates 14
Years Serving the King!

by Chaplain Jesse Bowman

Ranch owners Robin & Kevin Warren were watching the weather closely. They were preparing to host several hundred folks for their annual fund raiser to support the biblically based equine assisted learning program. During the 24 hours preceding the event, Kevin and his crew of family, friends, and volunteers, continued to prepare the ranch for the dinner and hoe down dance with one eye on the approaching storms. As I drove in from the east, my progress was slowed by waves of heavy downpours, thunder, and lightning. When I arrived at the ranch, volunteers and family members

were busy with last minute preparations. was surprised to see dry ground and asked Kevin if the storms I drove through hit the ranch. With a huge smile on his face, Kevin showed me the weather radar in which the approaching storms parted like the Red Sea as they neared the ranch. He had never seen anything like it before. The storms split and went around both sides of the ranch! God had answered prayers and once again blessed the work of Glory Reins Ranch. The heat and humidity moved out, allowing an afternoon and evening of games and activities for the kids, the parade of horses led by ranch participants, personal testimonies, and a terrific bar-b-que dinner. The highlight of the evening was dancing under the lights in the covered arena. After breakfast Sunday morning, some very talented young ladies led those gathered in worship songs and favorite hymns. I had the honor of delivering a Gospel message. During the Cowboy Church it poured rain, but everyone was dry and comfortable in the barn! Glory Reins Ranch is beginning its 15th year offering regular scheduled sessions involving life changing equine activities. These activities reveal that even in life's challenges and difficulties, we can be grounded & rooted in Christ. Every lesson and activity at the ranch are Christ centered. Activities are about relationship building between the mentee & mentor. Partnering, they will complete a ranch chore, work on horsemanship skills, and study God's word.

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#### Glory Reins Ranch Continued

Volunteers strive to spur one another on in love and good deeds. A time of devotion. prayer, fellowship, and friendship fills the entire ranch. Individuals, schools, classes, or community organizations can come for a Christ centered, tailor made time which can include: devotion, horsemanship, arts and crafts, games, and an equine activity. All of these are offered without charge. Cowboys For Christ was invited back next year before the event was even over! The Bible urges us to find our hope in God, not in our circumstances. I look forward to discovering and witnessing the many ways that this occurs everyday at Glory Reins Ranch. It was a wonderful blessing to be included in the events at the ranch and to be a part of the Cowboy Church on Sunday morning.



**Testimony Continued** 

"Then the devil left Him and behold, angels came and ministered to Him. "God gets all the glory. As in Eph 3:21, "to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever, Amen. It is settled with me, His grace is sufficient, He is all I need, He is my everything. His grace and mercy are new every day, as for me and my house we will serve the Lord. This is what we choose. Now I believe complete forgiveness is possible. I will serve with a smile. My great exchange, my fear and discouragements of life, for faith, joy, peace, and all the character attributes of Jesus, as daily I strive to be more like Him.

I have freedom from... and freedom to,,,. I am blessed to be a blessing to others. I am all in for radical obedience. I have frequent visitations as I ready and study the Word. He gives me assignments, and my answer is, "Yes Lord, send me" I love to share of God moments "When I get to heaven, I know my first words will be thank you, forever grateful and of course" Of course this or that had to happen. We have been entrusted to raise our grandson. I thank God for my tears sown as seeds have turned into Harvest. I'm so thankful to be living in the greatest time ever for such a time as this. The Harvest is ripe. Let us meditate on the love chapter. 1 Corithian 13, and if you are just beginning start at John. Lord restores and light a fire into each of us, in your ways, not ours. Don't complain but be part of the solution. Embrace failure as an opportunity for growth. Fear nothing and all will be well. Humble yourself and repent as in 2 Chronicles 7:14. Think on these things Philippians 4:8. Whatever you do or say, be a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father. The enemy will flee when you remind him of His defeat. We have victory in Jesus. Remember your cup is refillable. What's your testimony? Let us dig up the pearl buried in every trial. And keep those close to you in your circle so God can restore our hope as we learn to trust in our "overflow "of what we face. The best is yet to come. Come expectantly and equipped.

# Relationship Evangelism by Suzy Harvey Hodge

I recently attended a women's church retreat, where we got the chance to speak with some missionaries in Portugal. They are non-denominational, and they said they were focused on "Relationship Evangelism". They are living in a community that is largely non-religious, and they are trying to establish relationships with the people in the community to hopefully get the opportunity to share Christ.

I found it interesting to speak with them and learn their story. And while I highly respect those who are called to missions in other countries, I was surprised that everyone seemed to consider this a "new" way of spreading the Word of God. This is exactly how Cowboys For Christ has operated since it began in 1970.

I got the chance to tell a few of the ladies about Cowboys For Christ, and they were shocked to learn there are so many people in our country who have never heard of the true message of Jesus. Sometimes I think Christians are so focused on missions in other countries, they don't see the need for missionaries in our own country. Whether it's the message of salvation or restoration, there is a huge need for Christian outreach in our own communities

We all know people who will never step foot in a church again. We all know those who are lost. We all know those who are making one bad decision after another. We are called by God to reach out to these people to remind them of His love and His mercy.

Romans 10:14-15 "But how can they call on Him to save them unless they believe in Him? And how can they believe in Him if they have never heard about Him? And how can they hear about Him unless someone tells them?"

We are called to go to anyone and everyone and share the Gospel. But we are so lucky. We can use the horse, one of the most majestic creatures the Lord made, to share the Word of God. We can reach out to those we already share a connection with. We can go meet with them and enjoy the Lord's amazing world, ride our horses, and connect with those who love horses like we do. We can do this and show them who they can be in Christ.

2 Timothy 4: 1-5 "I solemnly urge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living and the dead when He comes to set up His Kingdom: Preach the Word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching. For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follower their own desires and will look for teachers who

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#### Relationship Evangelism Continued

will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. They will reject the truth and chase after myths. But you should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you."

Does that sound familiar? Are we living in a time when people are chasing after myths? Are we living in a time where they are trying to find anyone and anything that will agree with them? Where is truth in our world today? And I don't mean "your truth" or "my truth", I mean THE TRUTH.

How do you reach out to those who are so willing to accept anything as "the truth"? You

have to connect with them; you have to have a relationship. You have to show them God's love in word and deed.

You can't expect someone to meet you once and blindly accept your words. You wouldn't do that. You'd be a fool to do that. You have to show those around you who you are and Who you serve in all that you do.

That doesn't mean the only way to reach someone is by always preaching. That's not what God expects of us. He expects us to show everyone His love. I mean, there's a reason the saying goes "actions speak louder than words".

In **1 Thessalonians 4:11-12**, Paul writes, "Make it your goal to live a quiet life, minding your own business and working with your hands, just as we instructed you before. Then people who are not believers will respect the way you live, and you will not

need to depend on others." Paul doesn't say we should always be standing on the street corner, proclaiming the end is near. He says we should live a quiet life and show God in everything we do. And in I Corinthians 10:31 "So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

Build the relationships and show your community Who God is in everything you do. Show them how to live a quiet life where you only need to depend on God. When you ride horses with others, you already have a connection. Nurture the connection and show the lost cowboys and cowgirls that God is there and wants to save them and wants to love them. He wants to show them a better life. Use "Relationship Evangelism".



#### **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.

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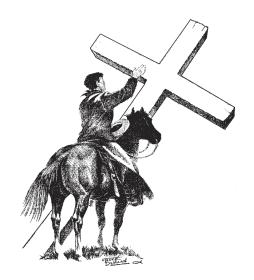
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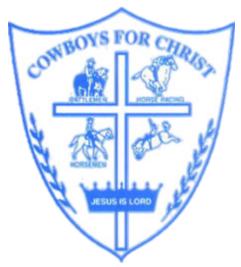
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# ANNUAL **HEARTLAND** CONFERENCE

# **FEBRUARY 3, 2024** Location

P&J'S Restaurant, 100 Locust St, Dekalb MO, 64440

#### Schedule

- 8:30 9:30 AM: Breakfast
- 9:30 AM 12 PM: Sessions
- 12 PM 1 PM: Lunch
- 1 PM Mid Afternoon: Sessions

# Bring with you

- your bible
- notebook and pen
- contact/business cards

Questions or need more information? Contact Matt Wagner at 816-390-7561

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