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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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## *Wonderful Weekend at Miracle*

### *Mountain Ranch!*

by Chaplain Dale Brenneman

How many times can you use the word “wonderful” in the same article? Well, that is how I would describe every aspect of our Cowboys For Christ gathering at Miracle Mountain Ranch on March 21-23, 2025.

The West Keystone Chapter of Cowboys For Christ has sponsored this retreat annually for approximately 25 years now. Thirty-five cowboys and cowgirls from PA, OH, NY, WV and NC arrived at MMR on Friday evening. The staff greeted us warmly as room assignments and welcome packets were handed out. From the Moonlight Hay Ride that night until the final “Amen” on Sunday morning, the weekend was wonderful! Saturday was filled with activities – team building games in the gym, horseback instruction and competition in the indoor arena, and trailrides. Add to all that the wonderful teaching sessions from Matt Cox, MMR Director, and Dr. Dave Harvey, CFC Executive Director. Without any collaboration, except that of the Holy Spirit, both men spoke to us about how to be free



from worry and anxiety using scriptures from Luke 12 and Philippians 4. The retreat concluded with a worship service on Sunday morning, with Chaplain Brad Rineholt

leading us in song and Dr. Dave Harvey bringing us an inspiring message about the importance and urgency of telling the world about our Lord.

In all, nine CFC Chaplains arrived at MMR on Friday night, but on Sunday morning eleven departed as Dr. Dave officiated the ordination of two new chaplains: Maureen Wilhelm and Chris Gregory. We pray for God's blessing on their ministry.

As I look back on the weekend, one of the greatest pleasures I had was being able to sit back and listen to people talking, laughing, and just enjoying one another in a wholesome Christian environment.

That was wonderful!

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## **West Keystone Chapter at the New York Equifest**

by Chaplain Dale Brenneman

The Western New York Equifest at the Erie County Fairgrounds in Hamburg, NY is a multi-faceted event featuring clinicians from many aspects of the equine industry. Demonstrations and lectures are ongoing for two days, along with two buildings full of all types of vendors. West Keystone CFC was pleased to open the show each morning with prayer in the main arena and conduct Cowboy Church on Sunday morning in the Harvest Theater. The Equifest staff reported to us later that Cowboy Church was the most attended event in the Harvest Theater this year. We were also provided with a vendor space to offer Cowboys For Christ literature and Bibles. Our table was manned by Carol Steffler, Jean Clyde, Kathy Moore, Faith Brenneman and myself. We shared the love of Jesus with many, prayed with some, and passed out a great deal of literature. It was rewarding to hear from people we met in previous years how the words and literature we shared with them has influenced them and others in their walk with the Lord. We look forward to returning next year!



## **Jonas Rambo Ordained**

by Chaplain Tina Perkins

On January 11 2025. I had the honor and privilege of officiating the Cowboys for Christ Ordination service for brother Jonas Rambo. The service was held at Cowboy Chaplin Billy Reeds church in Kaufman County. I Cowgirl Chaplin Tina Perkins shared words of encouragement, that expressed the miraculous changes in transformation in brother Rambo's life. After brother Rambo confirmed the calling upon his life brother Reed lead the laying of hands prayer followed by a brief message by Chaplin Rambo. In attendance were over 50 friends and family who showed up to express their support and love. It is a great blessing for me to introduce cowboy Chaplain Jonas Rambo to you. Please keep him and the other Chaplin in your prayer. We would also like to thank Cowboy Chaplain Tommy Tutt for his mentorship at the Robertson unit and in this brother's life.



## **New Chaplain Bruce Blankenship**

by Dave Harvey

A big praise report for our new Chaplain and a big thank you to Chaplain Matt Wagner for officiating at the Ordination of Bruce Blankenship from Marshfield, Missouri. We sure want to welcome him to Cowboys For Christ Cowboys Chaplains Of America and pray that the Lord will use him mightily for building his Kingdom. And I sure want to

ask all of our Chaplains and leadership to lift them up in prayer and to continue to lift each other up in prayer that we all will certainly be led and filled with the Holy Spirit to do the Lord's work, wherever and whenever our Lord calls.



## **Cowboys For Christ Heartland Conference**

by Dave Harvey

The Cowboys For Christ Heartland Conference was held on February 1, 2025 at the Hoof and Horn Steakhouse in St. Joseph Missouri. And it was absolutely a very blessed and anointed time of preaching, teaching, ordinations, testimonies, prayers and fellowship. A big thank you to Regional Director Chaplain Matt Wagner, and his lovely wife, Chaplain Melissa, for the planning, directing and hosting the conference. Our theme for this conference was the "Holy Spirit" and our glorious Holy Spirit sure was evident throughout the day. You never know exactly what to expect at our conferences, but you can always count on the Holy Spirit to be there and to move and work as only He can. There were a bunch of Spiritual batteries recharged and a bunch of hearts stirred to go and do as the Holy Spirit directs. We were blessed with at least twelve Chaplains attend and a great group of guests, family and friends to make it a wonderful time in the Lord.

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## Heartland Conference Continued

And the blessing kept coming as we were also able to add two more Chaplains to the number, and to the ministry. I was greatly honored to officiate at the ordination of the now Chaplains; Jeff Kemp from the great state of Kansas and Leonard Feil from the home state of Missouri.

Chaplain Matt Wagner opened up the conference with a hearty welcome, introductions and prayer. Matt then turned the meeting over to Pastor David Jordan, of Dekalb Christian Church, who blessed us with a great message from the Holy Word. Then I was blessed to share a message on the theme of our conference; which was the Holy Spirit. After lunch and a special time of fellowship, I was again honored to officiate at the ordination of Jeff and Leonard. We then had a very anointing time, as a number of Chaplains and guest shared their testimonies, the moving of the Holy Spirit in their lives and gave us insight into their different Kingdom building works for the Lord. If you were there, you were blessed. If you didn't make it, please try to make next year, so you will be blessed, as we sure were.

## NEEDED: HORSE SHOW CHAPLAINS

If you are called to serve the Lord in the Horse Show World, we have a great need for Horse Show Chaplains to take the Word to the Cowboys and Cowgirls at Horse Shows of all Breeds. Please Call Dave to talk about how you can start in this amazing ministry!

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## If I Could Go Back

by Larry Harris

If I could go way back, and do it again; I would listen to God, my new found friend.

He tried to tell me, which way to go; I did my own thing, and basically said, "no."

A sheep gone astray, yes that was me; I was bound by sin, and sure wasn't free.

Living very wild, like I had no care; if danger was around, then I was there.

I was going so fast, life had no brakes; the people I knew, were basically snakes.

Before I knew it, I could no longer see; I looked in the mirror, and it wasn't me.

A man so lost, that's what was there; on the edge of death, and I didn't care.

Then God reached down, and grabbed my hand; He placed me on a rock, so I could stand.

I've come to save you, will you do it my way; I said yes Lord, as I cried and prayed.

As I now set in prison, waiting to go home; I know God's by my side, I'm no longer alone.

My faith is in Him, and no longer in me; by trusting in Him, I will soon be free.

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

**Dear Cowboys For Christ,** I have found great joy with the ERV Bible. It has made understanding the Word of God so much easier for me and for my wife. She has found enjoyment from me just telling her about what I have read. She sees how my faith has grown and it has made her want to know the Lord and Savior. We share Bible reading nightly. She really enjoys listening to me read to her. I am grateful for the Bible Study; I have completed it and I would enjoy more of the Christian Ranchman. The testimonies have helped me so much in growing in my faith. Thank you, Stephen in Virginia

**Cowboys For Christ,** please use this for your Bible Drive. Thank you for your Christian Ranchman. We enjoy reading the paper every time we receive the mailing. Sincerely, Tim & Janet in Ohio

**Dear Cowboys For Christ,** my name is Vanessa. Thank you for the Bible studies and the Bible. I love the Bible you guys sent. I've said the prayers in each study booklet: confessing that Jesus is my only personal Lord and Savior and confessing that I am a sinner and asking for his forgiveness and repenting from my sins and accepting Christ into my heart. I completed all of the Bible studies. Thank you for your time and the Bible, again. God bless, Vanessa in Nevada

**Hi,** enclosed is a check for a donation. Keep up the work for Jesus. Sincerely, Peggy in Pennsylvania

**Dear Cowboys For Christ,** Hello, I am writing to you because y'all have been so faithful sending me the Christian Ranchman Newsletter for quite a long time. I am happy to announce to you that I will be finally going home very soon. I wanted to write and tell y'all how much I have enjoyed your newsletter. What a blessing y'all are to many of us here in prison. Please bless someone else with the one that you would send to me going forward. May the Lord continue to bless y'all. Happy trails, I hope to see y'all out there. Sincerely, Johnna in Texas

**Hello,** thank you for your ministry and for all you do for the Lord. I am grateful for your Bible studies and your Bible. I can understand your Bible and it is getting me in the Word more and increasing my walk with the lord. I just finished Living Under His Wings Bible studies 1-2-3. If you could send me the next lesson, I would appreciate it. Thank you, Brandi in Virginia

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## Letters to the Editor Continued

**Cowboys For Christ**, I just got back from attending Southern Equine Expo in Murfreesboro, TN. What a great church service. Thank you for spreading the Gospel! I took a Bible for my son and want to help you reach your goal. God bless you, Martie in Kentucky

**Cowboys For Christ**, I grew up in a great country household. I went to church and I thought I was doing right. I rode horses and four wheelers to have fun, but after a hard day it was nice to unwind. I am from the very small town of Plainview, Arkansas. As much as I tried to do good, I always found myself in some type of mess. I had an anger problem that I couldn't figure out how to control, it's called bi-polar. I was diagnosed with Bi-polar disorder and I felt like a failure. Why would God do such a thing to me? I always hurt the ones I loved and I never wanted to hurt anybody. I became a suicidal person, on top of having homicidal tendencies. After a Little time in the Burn Center at Arkansas Hospital, I came to realize that God did not curse me. He blessed me with the gift of being able to understand pain. He made me able to be there for others so they wouldn't have to "burn alive in hell" like I tried on earth. When I say "I know how you feel, trust me, I mean it." It's a blessing that is hard to understand, but I am thankful God put the flames out that night on my body and started the fire in my heart to seek him. I always told everybody that I am innocent of my charges, although I am not innocent of a couple. I am guilty of so much worse. I was born guilty of so much worse. By God's mercy, though I am forgiven. I still am on a learning curve sometime, but I am human. Thank you, Cowboys For Christ for the Bible and Bible studies. I completed the studies and would very much like a certificated if that's alright. Thank y'all for everything y'all do! May God bless each and everyone of you cowboys and cowgirls out there! In His Name, Randal in Arkansas

**Cowboys For Christ**, hello, I came upon your pamphlet and prayed the prayer in Jesus' Name, Amen. Please add me to your prayer list, as I am in prison and despite having followed every guideline and doing everything to get home, I am still in the

fire. I feel stuck, trapped and abandoned, sometimes. However, I know this fire is to promote me in life, not to destroy me, though it is not hard to lose focus. I love God and my family. Thank you for your inspiring pamphlet. Please send me info on Cowboys For Christ and please include a Cowboys For Christ Bible. Any additional literature is welcome and appreciated. God bless you and your work. Sincerely Justin in Texas

### *My Testimony*

by Bret Lambdin

When I was young my mother took me to church every Sunday, my father was not a Christian and did not attend with us. My mothers love for Christ allowed me to hear the Gospel at a young age, and at 7 years old, I realized I was a sinner because I did things that God stated not to. I understood that this sin separated me from God, but he sent His son, Jesus Christ to die for me, and His blood was able to forgive all my sins. I remember so vividly sitting in a folding chair in the basement of LaGrange First Baptist Church in Ohio, during Jr. Church and asking God to forgive me of all my sins and to live within my heart. A few years later my father also accepted Christ as his Savior and began to worship with us at church along with my younger brothers.

Unfortunately, as I grew older, I watched, as children do, and I learned... We were from a small rural community where everyone knew everyone and everything that was happening. Things I saw and were taught at church, applied then, on Sundays and Wednesday nights, but during the week outside of church, I observed a different set of values and way to live being displayed by many.

As I entered my late teens, approaching graduation and I had come to a point where I was rationalizing and justifying sin in my life and it got to the point where I couldn't even hear the Holy Spirit within me. Then as things went wrong in my life, I blamed God for them and couldn't understand how He could let these things happen in my life. For

the next 30 years, I ran from God, because He may love other people, but He surely didn't love me, and as I ran, I dove deeper and deeper into sin to the point most people who knew me would have never guessed I really did believe in God. I chewed tobacco, drank, smoked & swore, was prideful and arrogant and one miserable person inside. But I put on a show and no one knew just how deeply I was hurting inside... Except God. Thru all those years the Holy Spirit kept speaking to me. And I began to listen. I finally was able to accept what I knew to be true for so many years. The problems in my life were not from God, but allowed as consequences. Consequences for not being close to Him as I should have, in daily devotions and a true walk with him. For putting my faith in people to teach me how to live instead of The Word. For allowing sin and pride into my life. All the major problems I had over my life that I blamed God for, were in fact MY FAULT, because of my failures to follow Him as I should. I'm NOT saying that everything bad that happens is because of sin, but I'm referring to specific things I can trace to sin in my life, like my first wife who kicked me out and moved another guy into the house a few days later - I met her while drunk at a bar. My fault.

In 2019, I met my future wife, she was also a Christian, but hurt and not living as she should just like me. As we grew closer and were preparing for our future and wedding, we both realized we were missing the most important part in our lives. A true relationship with Christ.

We both had a lot of issues we had to get right with Christ, and we began to seek His guidance. The Holy Spirit jumped at me with this realization and right away showed me where my downhill started. I did not have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ which I strove to build and desired to grow DAILY. Before He was just on a shelf with my Bible that I picked up when convenient. I looked to others to show me how to live by example instead of learning by the example of the one I should have been looking to – Jesus Christ (John 21:20-21).

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## *Lambdin Testimony Continued*

Being a Christian means to be Christ like in our testimony. I was saved at a young age, but I was not a true Christian until just a few years ago. Now my salvation means more to me than just avoidance of Hell. The Holy Spirit has changed my whole life. The greatest thing is I have a peace in my heart as I daily and continually keep in prayer with Christ as my friend, my confidant, my Savior and Master as I am His willing bondservant as I owe Him a debt which I can never repay. Now I rejoice in understanding the words of Paul in Romans 1:1 and I strive to and pray for the Holy Spirit to strengthen me with at least some of the boldness Paul had to share the Gospel!

I have given my whole life and my business to Christ and work to put into action His command of Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:" I look forward to working with Cowboys For Christ, bringing the Gospel to others within the horse industry.

## *Glasgow Testimony*

by Steven Glasgow

Hello Cowboys For Christ,

This is to whomever it may concern, whomever might find it in their heart to help! First off, I feel called to ministry or possibly to be trained to be a chaplain or help with your Cowboys For Christ ministry. I don't mind starting from the bottom and /or going to school or trainings to be a servant however needed or wherever needed. One thing I know for sure is I want to do servant work for my Lord Jesus Christ. I have finished the Cowboys For Christ Bible studies. I've received my certificate, and I received my 'well used now' ERV Bible with the bi-monthly subscription to the Christian Ranchman paper, which I've enjoyed the last year very much so. I actually give it to my Tuesday night volunteer for Bible study classes here at the prison I'm at, and he enjoys it very much also! So with that being said, thank you so much for this service and ministry

you provide. I hope God blesses y'all as well as has his mighty hand of favor all over this service for years to come to enable y'all to provide hope and faith to men like myself.

I also want to become more than just a good ol' country boy. I want to help as a ranch hand anywhere needed and work into the Cowboy status and name. It's something I feel as if I have always dreamed to be. Ever since I was a little chap, even though I grew up in the city limits of Shreveport, LA, 'born and raised'. I was always out in the country, fishing, hunting, 4-wheeling, sitting out by bonfires, and it's just always felt like home to be out in the country.

So a little of my back story just to keep it short and sweet until I can get a sponsor, Christian brother in Christ to be an accountability partner, or just a friend that can be a spiritual leader for me so I have positive encouraging and motivational men in my life, let me start by saying I truly am ready for a change in my life and thanks in advance if even just one Cowboy For Christ takes the time to invest in a disciple for a little while or even makes a lifelong friend/spiritual brother. Thanks for at least taking the time to read this and thanks for your consideration to welcome me to the Cowboys For Christ family.

My name is Steven James Glasgow. I'm 39 years old, single, divorced, father of 2 handsome gentlemen that I raised the best I could even though I wasn't a perfect dad/husband, which none of us are but I gave it all I had and this is one part of my life I feel I did a good job at. I never knew my real dad, to this day never seen him or met him. My mom sent me to be adopted and raised by my grandparents which was the best that could have happened to me and my oldest brother.

My mom raised only my two younger brothers, so I've never really been close with them, even me and my oldest brother don't talk or act like family all that much. So after high school, I really raised myself into the man I am today on my own after my grandparents passed away.

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## *A Living Memorial*

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

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**BRANDI WERRA**

**FROM:**

**RENEE SALZBRENNER**



Glasgow Testimony Continued

Went to school in Shreveport, LA, then moved to East Texas to a little town called White Oak after dropping out of high school to help my grandfather with bills after my grandmother passed away. I started working in the oil field on workover rigs when I was 18 and been there ever since. I got married and had my share of the family life when I was in my 20s, which I call my "Super Dad" years. I thought I was doing it all right and had started raising my stepson at 1 years old, then 3 years later me and my ex-wife had my biological son. For these 10 years or so I feel as I lived my best life. I bought a home, which I still own, and I hope to still have when I'm released from prison very soon. I'm proud of most of my 20s and the beginning of my 30s. Even though I worked, I'm what I call a functioning alcoholic and addict. It has always been alcohol and a little weed that has hung me up. I didn't experience a rough, tough life on the bottom until after my divorce in my early 30s. At this point, I did still try to do the weekend warrior dad thing, and even pay my child support as well as get my boys on the weekend. Which I still have custody of right now, but they are 19 years old and 16 years old now, basically grown men. I have not been the dad I was the last 6 or 7 years that I know I should've been. After the divorce, I spiraled out of control when she said she was moving 10 hours across Texas. I lost hope and lost connection to my sons, my life, my world, my everything when she up and moved and remarried. I made some bad choices and got myself to a very dark place and bottom of my life. I involved myself with people and women I never should have, made poor choices and wound up in jail on my first felony offense. This opened my eyes a lot, and I have done 4 years in jail now on a 6-year sentence. I have made my first parole, and was in a faith-based dorm praying and crying out to God to please let me out so I don't miss any more of my boys' lives. I missed my oldest son's high school graduation, which will forever hurt my heart.

My son that is 15 years old will be graduating soon, and I'm doing everything I can to get out, do what's right, work hard bettering myself with every opportunity I can in here. I've completed Bridges to Life, Overcomers, Anger Management, gotten my G. E. D., as well as strengthened my walk with God to where I know what I want and have faith in God and in myself to get out back into society being the best version of myself to date. I feel I can still live my best life possible with all I have learned about God's word and how to walk the walk when I get out soon. I still need help and am begging anyone – someone to take a chance on me again and let me prove I can do this and leave my sons a legacy they will be proud of. I am waiting on a release date and am just waiting on a halfway house to accept me and send an approval acceptance letter. I need someone's helping hand and Cowboy brotherly love to stand beside me while I reintegrate into society successfully. I don't want to fail and don't want to live my old life anymore. I'm done saying that I don't have anyone because I have my Father God on my side now and know I can be an asset to His Kingdom, to a new spiritual family's everyday life, and walk with God doing my best job yet in life. Be here for me in Jesus' Holy Name.

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 **Cowboy Chaplain**, please contact us! Email: [cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org](mailto:cfcmail@cowboysforchrist.org)

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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...

## *THE CROSS BEFORE THE CROWN*

Luke 24:25-31 25 Then he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and to enter into his glory?" 27 Beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, he explained to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. 28 They drew near to the village, where they were going, and he acted like he would go further. 29 They urged him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is almost evening, and the day is almost over." He went in to stay with them. 30 It happened, that when he had sat down at the table with them, he took

the bread and gave thanks. Breaking it, he gave to them. 31 Their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished out of their sight.

There has been so much teaching and preaching on these verses and on the whole discourse of the two disciples of Jesus Christ that had left Jerusalem and were headed to Emmaus. They were leaving Jerusalem at a very difficult time with feelings of defeat in their lives, as it had been three days since the Messiah had been crucified on the cross. Or at least, they had hoped and thought Jesus was the Messiah, as we are told in; Luke 24:19-21. Evidently the two had been with Jesus for a while, although probably not one of the eleven, as we must exclude Judas, because he had committed suicide after he betrayed Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. There are some that think that the other one may have been Luke, but there is no way this can be confirmed. But they certainly seem to have the attitude of everyone involved, as early that morning even the ladies who had been a big part of the ministry group had gone to the tomb to anoint the body of Jesus, fully expecting his body to be there where he was placed just three days before.

Jesus addressed these two disciples as being "foolish" and "slow of heart to believe" as they were trying to make sense of all of the happenings, instead of having faith in the Holy Scriptures and the teaching of the Messiah. Truly their lives had been "turned upside down" over the events of the last week, and they surely felt lost and greatly confused. But then the great Teacher went through the Old Testament to reveal the truths that are there and should have been known by these followers of Jesus Christ. What a wonderful privilege to be taught these truths by the Master, and to have him walk you through the movements leading up to the salvation of mankind by way of the cross. But, was there a reason they were shocked, disheartened and very much in despair because of their Messiah being crucified by the religious leaders and the Roman authorities. Had all the proceedings leading up to the arrest and crucifixion of our Lord been hidden from them, and they were totally unprepared with the crucifixion, the death and the burial of their Messiah. It sure seems that they were certainly caught off guard and shaken to their very souls because of the tragic happenings of the cross and were left in total despair. What about today, are many of God's children still in the dark as to the second coming of our Lord?

As we study and search the Scriptures leading up to the betrayal, the unlawful court hearing and the crucifixion of our Lord, we see that the great teacher and Messiah had actually spent much time in trying to prepare his disciples for the events that were to take place on their arrival in Jerusalem. We are told in: "Mark 9:30-32. This certainly seems to be very plain and to the point and should have been received by everyone of his followers, but they evidently had their own ideas of their "Messiah" and it surely wasn't death or a cross. But, we as followers and believers of Jesus Christ are sure not like this today, now, are we? We are not forming our own ideas of how it will work out and have complete trust and faith in our Savior and Lord, right? And surely, we are prepared for his coming in the clouds, as declared in; 1 Th. 4:16-17.

Throughout the entire Holy Word of God, we are told of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who is God's one and only Son. And especially about him and of the events and happenings; in some cases, hundreds and even thousands of years before they would come about. We are given details of all the actions that did take place, truly as had been told by the prophets. The cross of Jesus Christ had to come first, before the crown, but not his crown, because he has always had, has now and will always have his many crowns. Jesus Christ is the Son of God; he is the KING OF KINGS and LORD OF LORDS and he has never lost his crown. He did lay his crown aside to become our Savior by dying on the cross, but he didn't die for his crown, he died for our crown as we are told in: "James 1:12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation, for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life, which he promised to those who love him." And in: "Rev 2:8-10 8 "To the angel of the church in Smyrna write: "The first and the last, who was dead, and has come to life says these things: 9 "I know your afflictions and your poverty (but you are rich), and the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews, and they are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. 10 Do not be afraid of the things which you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested; and you will have oppression for ten days. Be faithful to death, and I will give you the crown of life."

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## 2024 in SE Missouri and Southern Illinois

by Chaplain Pat Patterson and Chaplain Gail Gant

We were blessed with a wonderful 2024; sharing God's message and love in SE Missouri and Southern Illinois. We were involved in the PRCA Rodeo at Farmington and we look forward to helping out again next year. Chaplain Gail Gant taught at a Church Camp for a week while I was able to reach out to the children with a Lesson from the Round Pen. Sharing God's message with children and families also led us to help out with the Oakdale Saddle Club in Oakdale, Illinois. Gail helped in the Concession Stand and also had a booth to which she handed out the Cowboy for Christ literature. She also had free games and prizes for the children. While I was able to help out opening the days with prayer, announcing and judging as well as other odd jobs. I was called by churches in the area to come and share a Message from the Round Pen and it is always a joy and amazing to see how God uses a horse to teach biblical principals.

The local restaurant Suzie's Cafe which is at the Patton Cattle Sale Barn had a day where a free meal was served to the community. I was asked to share two different messages during the day in the Sale Barn and Gail and Suzie had free games and prizes for the children. I was also excited that Fredericktown reached out because they were having a Christmas Festival around the town square and wanted someone to give wagon rides. So, I called Chaplains Jerry & Yolanda Stroup to help me out.

So, from the Western Rose Ranch the Stroup's brought their covered wagon and we gave over 270 wagon rides and shared Cowboys for Christ literature throughout the Christmas Festival. It is such a blessing to be a part of the Cowboys for Christ family and we always enjoy sharing the love of Jesus. God bless you one and all and may 2025 open more doors and opportunities and may we all be faithful servants.



Chaplain Pat Patterson

### *The Puppy*

by Karen Meisner

I spoke with a lady friend recently and she told me of a really nice story she had heard. A senior old man had been living alone for many years, one day when he woke up, he said, "I'm not going to be lonely anymore." He drove to the animal shelter and adopted a puppy that day. Well, several weeks later he happened to see the landlord when he was out with the puppy. The landlord asked about the dog and the old man explained all about his loneliness and his new puppy. Then the landlord said you've been living here quite a while, so you may not remember the lease agreement that you signed. The agreement states that no pets are allowed. I am sorry but the dog will have to go. The old man was devastated and he told the landlord that he couldn't give his puppy up because he said "the puppy is my friend." And that he couldn't rehome him, even if he wanted to, because he had signed a contract when he adopted him. The landlord said, "rules are rules." The dog has to go. Then the old man said, "ok, how much money would my apartment cost?" The landlord gave him a figure and the old man said, "fine, I will buy it and then the puppy can stay."

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Chaplain Jerry Stroup and his covered wagon.



## *The Puppy Continued*

Somehow, I associated this story with my own life. I was alone and lonesome and one day the Gospel was explained to me that Jesus paid the price for my sins by dying on the cross. Now when I prayed to Jesus to ask His forgiveness and come into my heart and save me, He did! Jesus paid the price. And because the man loved the puppy, the old man paid the price, just as Jesus loved me and He paid the price for me. Jesus paid the price so that I could go to Heaven. He loves us and he didn't want me to be rehomed to "you know here." A friend, Hebrews 9:27

## *Running the Race*

by Chaplain JC Shook

Have you ever thought to yourself; "is the Lord currently pleased with how I'm running the race of life in being his disciple?" All of us have gone too far left or right on the straight and narrow track God has set before us. How many times have we taken the wrong path or just gave up in some aspect of life? I have and I am reminded of what the Apostle Paul said to God's holy people in Christ Jesus at Philippi. "Phil 2:12-13 So then, my beloved, even as you have always obeyed, not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is God who works in you both to will and to work, for his good pleasure." How are you working this passage into your race?

The other night I was watching the movie "American Underdog" the true story of Kurt Warner. I watched as Kurt ran through the adversity he was up against. Kurt had the desire to be an NFL quarterback, but came across many obstacles along the way. His college coach was tough on him and even benched him. The Green Bay Packers let him go on the second day of tryouts, because he wasn't prepared. He was working at a supermarket and him and his wife could not make ends meet. The kids were sick and the electricity went out because they couldn't pay the bill. During a blizzard, Kurt decided to take his family

to his mom's house, but they ran out of gas on the way. It was 5 miles or more to the nearest gas station and Kurt had to run it both ways, because he was afraid his family would freeze to death in the cold car. As he ran Kurt cried out to God, as he was running back with a full can of gas. Against all odds Kurt eventually became a pro quarterback and won the super bowl. Kurt is a devoted Christian and signs his autographs with different Bible verses.

While watching Kurt run, I was examined my run of times past to the present in my mind. I thought about how I was running with my unit and all of the sudden I see these soldiers in all black pass us like we were stranding still. It was the 1st Ranger Battalion Special Forces Company and I thought to myself that I wanted to be in that unit. Then one day I was jogging with my company 2/75th Ranger Battalion and we were training for a future joint mission with other Special Forces units to get Osama Bin Kaden. I remember being in awe when I saw Navy Seals and Delta Force men running by. But then I thought about how was I running the race for my Lord?

In our race we must consider what Jesus taught in: "Luke 9:23 He said to all, "If anyone desires to come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow me." Most of us at some time in our lives have been in some kind of contest. It's usually beneficial to have a coach in many different aspects of competition. Many well-known athletes today have a sports psychologist to counsel them before and after a contest, so I will intertwine some parallels in running a race for worldly competition and in service for our Lord and Savior. And the things we need to consider for the race of our life and soul.

First, we must prepare for our contest and our race. In John 14:26 Jesus tells us that he will give us a superior counselor to all others, the Holy Spirit. Jesus explains that the Spirit of truth will live in us and will guide us into all truth. Then as if that wasn't convincing enough; Jesus says, "John 16:33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world

you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." We need to know that this is a crucial statement and promise and take it to heart and apply it to our lives and race.

Second, you had better believe there will be all kinds of hinderances to the runner that need to be avoided. In this competition you must consider what you are feeding your body, because you must run a winning race. And we must keep in mind two important truths, as is told in: "Gal 5:7 You were running well! Who interfered with you that you should not obey the truth?" And "2 Tim 2:3-5 3 Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. 4 No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs — he wants to please his commanding officer. 5 Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the rules."

Third, we must press on and strive toward the goal and prize. Millions of people just witnessed some amazing athletes in the Olympics strive towards the prizes and hundreds of metals were given to those that placed in the top three positions. This certainly reminds us of the Apostle Paul declaring in: "Phil 3:14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." So, what prize are you striving to obtain; worldly or of God? Please keep in mind the lord's Word in: "James 4:4b Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God." What is first in your life; the world, or God? I pray that at the end of your race you will be like the Apostle Paul: "2 Tim 4:7-8 7 I have fought the good fight. I have finished the course. I have kept the faith. 8 From now on, there is stored up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day; and not to me only, but also to all those who have loved his appearing."





## THE CROSS BEFORE THE CROWN Continued

Jesus Christ is the "first and last, who died and came to life again." Just as is plainly stated in: "Heb 13:8." The "crown of life" promised by the giver of life, Jesus Christ. His cross had to come before our crown and he knew it and he tried to tell his disciples this truth, but they chose to ignore, or just did not understand. Do you understand? Are you choosing to ignore this truth, that is clearly outlined, described and declared in God's Holy Word? Please don't be embarrassed, if you just don't understand, but you can sure do just what the Messiah did and go through the Holy Scriptures to show and prove that Jesus Christ, was, is and always will be the Son of God, who loved so much; the Holy Father and his creation, sinful mankind, that he went to the cross, so we could have a crown; the crown of life.

You may be saying, Oh, I'm a disciple of Jesus Christ; just like those two disciples on the road to Emmaus. You may be thinking that I am a follower of Jesus Christ, but are you living in this truth? Are you sharing this truth? These two men had been followers of Jesus, and they were caught off guard by the enemy, when they really shouldn't have been. They were scared, running away and maybe even ready to turn back to Judaism. They may have been ready to give up and leave their lives of serving the Lord. But the Master of their souls, came looking for them and he taught them and he gave them the truth, and then these disciples invited him into their lives. And the Savior even went in to eat with them and revealed himself to them as he blessed the meal. What about you, will you invite the Savior into your life? We are told in: "Rev 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with me."

I want to share another truth to you: Rev 3:20 Jesus Christ was talking to the church of Laodicea, which was a group of his followers and he declares in: "Rev 3:14-16 14." Cowboys and cowgirls, these are hard words, but they are true words, as

our Lord went to the cross for your and my crown of life and he is also seeking to walk with you and to talk to you and to help you through this life of pain, frustrations, disappointments and despair; as well as, service to your Lord and Savior. Jesus Christ walked with his disciples and he taught his disciples and he revealed the truth to his disciples, so they would share his truth to others. In fact, the Master made such an impression on them that they immediately ran off to tell others about their Savior and Lord. They went in great haste to declare that their Lord is alive and ready and able to save anyone and everyone from their life of sin and give them the "crown of life."

I would like to close with these questions. What are you doing to declare the truth of Jesus Christ to your loved ones, your family, your fellow workers, your fellow cowboys and cowgirls. Are you discussing him with other? Or are you running scared in this sinful and troubled world? Do you see the evil, but ignore or forget to share the Gospel, or even pray for those that are bound up in sin and misery. Are you dropping to your knees in prayer for those that are lost or just don't understand that their crown of life is free to them and the Savior is ready and able to walk with them on their road of loneliness, pain and despair. Maybe you are on "the road to Emmaus" and are having a tough time, or thoughts of hopelessness or fear, especially since the times are so evil and the world is so up-side down. Jesus Christ went looking for his wandering disciples, his followers and he is searching for you. Listen to him and study his Holy Word through the power and strength of the Holy Spirit as he walks beside of you in this journey called, life. "Rev 3:11 I am coming quickly! Hold firmly that which you have, so that no one takes your crown." GOD bless as you seek and serve Jesus Christ. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



*Keith Avery*



### 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.

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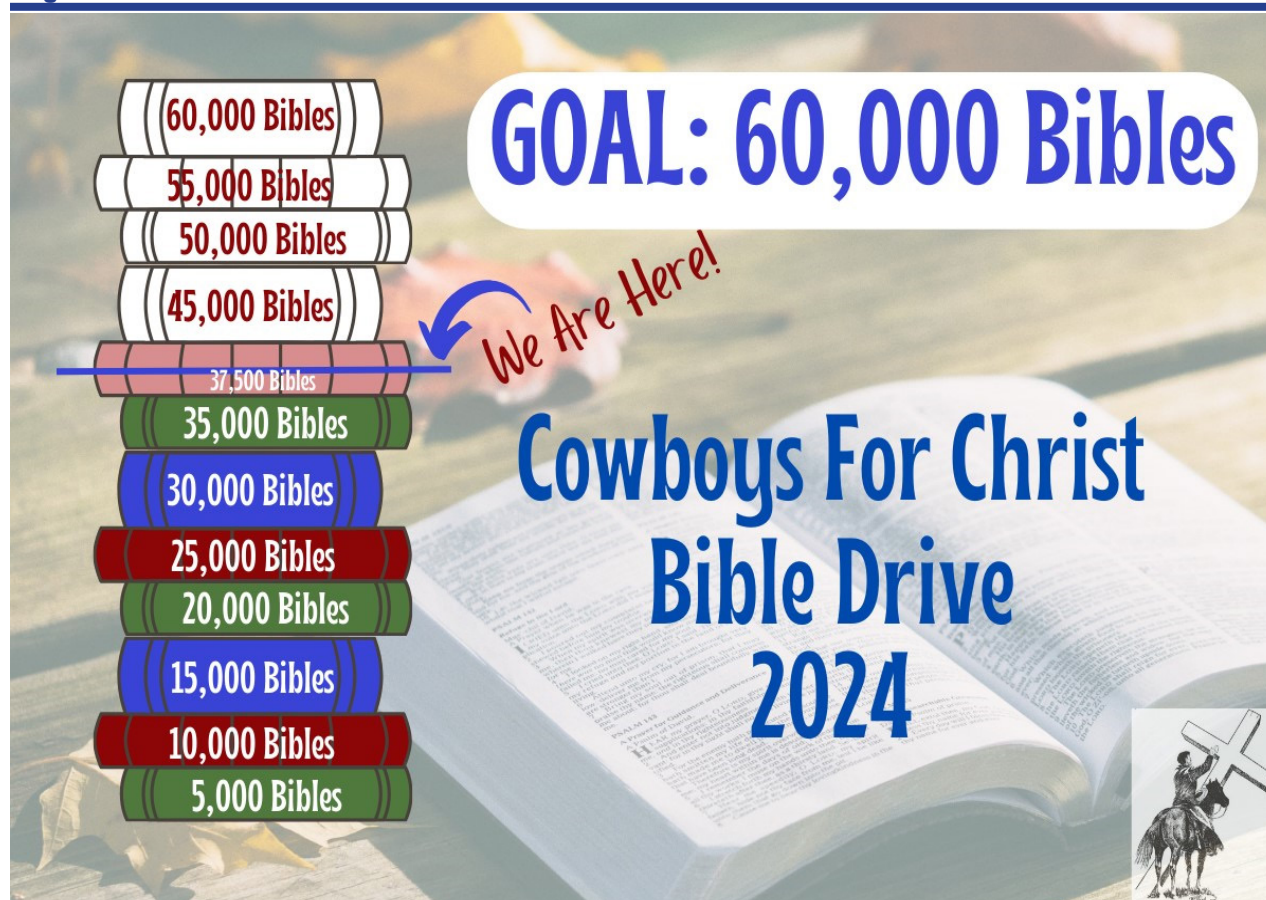
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### ***MY ETERNAL DECISION***

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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