

2014 Newsletter





Thank you for all your prayers for N-X Ranch this summer. Camp went very well and we are trusting that we will see good fruit in each of the campers' lives. The day after camp ended, we got a call from one of the campers saying he had returned home to a tough family situation, and that night surrendered his life to Christ. We praise God for this and know that *your* prayers made a difference in this young man's life, as well as in the lives of the other campers.

We had 3 campers this summer: from Las Vegas, NV, Sedalia, MS and Elizabethton, TN. All of the campers were enthusiastic and receptive, which was such a blessing and makes a big difference in the dynamics. They got along well although they were each very different.

We also had 3 junior-counselors: John Jagt from Cary, NC, Jacob O'Connor from Raleigh, NC and Stephen Weber from Chandler, AZ. The rest of the staff were returners from previous years. Counselors: J.P. Nix, Mark Sherlock, Micah Womacks and Isaiah Whelpley.

The boys did a number of activities around the ranch including: archery, fishing, hiking, work projects, team builders and more. One of their favorite activities seemed to be good old-fashioned kickball. Our off-site excursions included: white water rafting, Bishop's Castle, hiking to the Sand Dunes & Zapata Falls, an overnight backpacking trip to Lily Lake and attending Church Services at the Gardner Community Church.



When I get home I want to, "give more time to God and apologize to my mom for the problems I have been giving her."





Probably the most impactful part of camp was the daily one-on-one's (camper & mentor) and team-time every night. Before team time, most nights we had worship around the campfire which was also special and fun time for all.

The young men accomplished several work projects around the Ranch; however, their biggest accomplishment was helping one of our neighbors who was recently widowed. The boys cleaned up animal cages and pens, cut, split and stacked fire wood for the winter, swept her chimney, cleaned up fallen trees and more. She was so grateful for the help!

We are so appreciative of each of you and the support and prayers for N-X Ranch. Please continue to pray that the Lord would do a work in each of the campers' lives, specifically in regards to father-issues and forgiveness. Pray most of all, that they would be drawn closer to Jesus and have a revelation of the Gospel.

Lastly, as we look to the future of N-X Ranch, please pray that God would continue to guide us and do immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine. Here are a few areas we are trusting God for and would like you to join us in praying:

- We are currently in the process of purchasing 40-50 acres to be owned by N-X Ranch. We are in need of a surveyor that would consider donating their time so we have a clear/legal title of our land.
- Building a lodge which would allow us to serve more boys, allow for retreats for single moms, training for dads, have a commercial kitchen, chow hall, offices and meeting/game room.
- Building several bunk houses for the campers and counselors.
- Adding a full time care taker to maintain facilities.

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