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N-X RANCH CAMP

SUMMER CAMP 2015/VOLUME 5

Fantastic Camp

Thank you for all your prayers and support for N-X Ranch this summer. We had a great Camp and are trusting our Lord for the differences made in each of the campers' lives. We had one young man accept the Lord as his Savior and saw so many positive changes in each of the young men during the three weeks they were at camp.

We had a new counselor, Eric Hagg, from Phoenix. Eric is a former NFL player with the Cleveland Browns and his love of the Lord and enthusiasm for the Gospel and life was contagious. The rest of the counselors were returners from previous years; J.P. Nix, Micah Womacks, Isaiah Whelpley and Stephen Weber.



The Campers...

We had 5 campers this summer. A returning camper from Las Vegas, 2 boys from the Phoenix area and 2 from Raleigh, NC.

None of the boys knew each other before camp. They all came with their own

uniqueness, but it didn't take long for them to bond and come together as a team. This created a great atmosphere for them to accomplish the projects and activities set before them for the next 3 weeks.



:ARCHERY:

The campers enjoyed hitting the bullseye at our 3-D archery range.



:MUSIC PASS 3-DAY HIKE:

Our hike over Music Pass was the most challenging excursion of the summer. The campers pushed themselves both physically and spiritually on this trip.



: CIRCLE TIME:

Worshipping God and discussing His Word kept us focused on the main Reason each person was there.



The boys were fed very well and looked forward to meals prepared by Mama Rosie and her kitchen staff which included; Sarah Rochelle making her 3rd trip to camp from Raleigh, Katherine Whelpley, Rebecca Nix and Faith Lacy who also served as our camp nurse.

The boys did a number of activities around the ranch including: archery, fishing, hiking, work projects, team builders and more. Our offsite excursions included: white water rafting, Bishop's Castle, hiking to the gold mine at the base of Mt Blanca, a 3 day backpacking trip to Music Pass and Sand Creek Lakes in the Sangre de Cristo mountain range.

Probably the most impactful part of camp was the daily one-on-one time (camper & mentor) and team-time every night. Our campers studied the leadership qualities of Nehemiah as he rebuilt the wall in Jerusalem

A Life-Changing Summer

and learned how to apply
these lessons to their own
lives. Team time each
night also included
worship and sharing from
the staff.

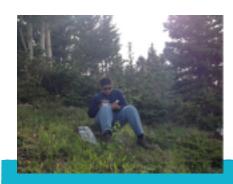
The young men accomplished several work projects around the Ranch which included; hauling rocks for a new bridge abutment, cleaning up debris from the pastures, cutting and gathering firewood and various other ranch work.

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 new and fresh revelation of the Gospel.

After camp was over, we a had group of 22 college age students and sponsors come on a work mission trip to the ranch from Aledo, TX. They did an amazing job in 5 days of putting a new deck on our

44' bridge, refinishing our deck on the main cabin, installing new sky lights in the barn, laying a rock wall at the cabin and mending fence. What a blessing they provided for future camps at N-X Ranch.

This past year, the Lord has been so faithful as we move forward with His ministry. He provided 45 acres that our ministry purchased from our family ranch for the future buildings necessary to reach more of the fatherless. He has also provided the camp with full-time care taker/project developer as our son, JP, his wife Rebecca and their 3 children have relocated from TN.



"I would recommend N-X Ranch because it will help others grow spiritually, mentally, physically, and emotionally with God. And it's a beautiful place to be in." -N-X Ranch Camper

Looking Forward...

Day in the life of a camper -



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 prayer points that we are trusting God for and would like you to join us in praying:

- Immediate need: an architect willing to work with us for future projects & building needs.
- Building a lodge which would allow us to serve more boys and add a session for girls, allow for retreats for single moms, training for dads, have a

commercial kitchen, chowhall, offices and meeting/game room.

 Several bunk houses for the campers and counselors.

If you would like to sponsor a camper for next year, or make a donation to N-X Ranch, please visit our website at **nxranch.org**. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit ministry and all donations are tax deductible. You can also follow us and see more pictures on Facebook: N-x Ranch.

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:Daily Schedule:

7:00 Wake-Up Clean-Up/Showers

7:35 Inspections

8:00 Breakfast

8:40 A.M. Chores

9:00 Quiet Time/Journaling

9:30 One on One Time

10:00 Fast Break

10:05 Ranch Work

12:00 Clean Up

12:15 Lunch

Staff Meeting (12:45-1:15)

1:30 Planned Group Activities

3:30 Free Time/Games

5:30 Clean Up

6:00 Dinner

6:45 P.M. Chores

7:15 Group Game/Mixer

7:45 Worship

8:00 Team Time (snack)

9:30 Dismiss/Shower

9:55 Lights Out

FROM A CAMPER

How has your view of God changed this summer?

"I feel like I've become closer to Him. Here on the mountain, talking about Him, Bible reading, and reading our book have helped me to feel closer."

-N-X Ranch Camper

:2015 STAFF:

Isaiah Whelpley: camp director/ counselor and his wife Kat, kitchen staff, from Apex, NC.

JP Nix: worship leader/counselor, with his wife Rebecca, kitchen staff, now living at N-X Ranch.

Micah Womacks: cabin director/archery director/counselor from Dodge City, KS.

Eric Hagg: counselor/cabin director asst. from Phoenix, AZ.

Stephen Weber: counselor from Mesa, AZ.

Faith Lacy: camp nurse/kitchen staff from Cameron, NC.

Sarah Rochelle: prayer warrior/assistant kitchen manager from Raleigh, NC.

Joe Nix: N-X Ranch Founder, and his wife Rosie, kitchen manager.

