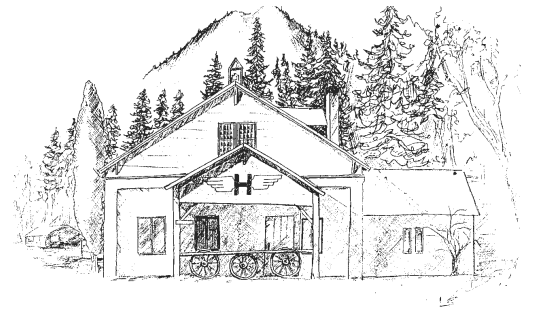


# Flying H Youth Ranch

370 Flying H Loop  
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*“...turning the hearts...” Malachi 4:6 since 1962*

August 4, 2009

Greetings,

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, because to this you were called so you may inherit a blessing. 1 Peter 3:8-9

As one considered a missionary I look at verses like that and am somewhat saddened by my lack of these things, often feeling more like the description Paul gives us in Romans 7 about doing what I don't want to and vice versa. But I read on in that chapter in Romans and am encouraged that Christ is the one who saves from this body of death and know that the story is not over. And that is what I would love our boys to know, that walking with God is a process that lasts a lifetime and like any relationship there will be peaks and valleys, that we will fail, but the blessing is unmeasurable. For many the choice to step over into following Christ sounds like a giving up of freedom and fun, for through the eyes of the world we aren't doing the things that look like fulfillment. As staff that is a big part of what we struggle with, showing the boys that a relationship with Christ is the most fulfilling thing one can do and the fun of this world is fleeting and often full of heartache and it leaves you in a body of death.

That then should be our desire. To be asking our Father to give us the strength to live in harmony, to be a blessing, to not repay insult with insult, be compassionate and humble and to live lives that show God's blessing to us. For if we are better at these will not the boys see lives truly changed by Jesus and our message will have much more weight and prayerfully, many will give up their will and let the savior of our souls start that work that leads to joy. So we ask you to struggle with us and remembering us in prayer.

## **Prayer needs:**

Our director, Steve Alumbaugh, has been struggling with what seems like kidney issues for many months. We ask for wisdom for the Dr's to help him and for God's healing.

One of our boys became so out of control it looks like he is heading to a stricter place than ours. Remember him and his family, during this difficult time.

Two of our staff ladies are nearing the end of their pregnancies, pray for endurance and good health.

Praise God for our safety so far this summer. Pray for continued safety, especially during the 8 day survival hike. (August 17-24)

Thank the Lord for a new intake and pray for him as he continues to adjust. Pray also for one that should be here August 14th.

Thank God for his continued work at the Flying H. It is a blessing to serve here.

**NEEDS:**

The Bible for Boys fund is still open if you would like to contribute so graduating boys can receive a new Bible.

We would like to replace the roof of our lodge but funds are still needed

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