



# Flying H Youth Ranch

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Dear Partners,

God has blessed us in many ways in the last year. Many of the boys have responded to God's grace, and have turned over their lives to His lordship. God is teaching us how to engage a boy's heart more effectively. The boys are more secure, so when they act out we get to see more of their heart rather than just their insecurity. We, the staff, are more consistent in supervising the boys. It is important to look and see God's blessings for what they are: God's blessings. It is far too easy to think that we have a power of our own, and that if we just "Get it right!" as far as the program, we will succeed. As a reminder of where our dependence truly lies, I received this email from the mother of a boy we had here several years ago.

*May I pray for you and your staff?*

*Dear Father of our sweet Savior,*

*Thank you for your servants at Flying H. I ask you to bless them with an increasing sense of Your presence and Your provision for every need; whether it be spiritual, physical, emotional, financial, etc.*

*May Your precious sovereignty fill them with peace as they endure hardship and wait on You for everything. I pray that You would give them rest even in the midst of all the work that needs to be done. Please help them to cast their burdens upon You, because You love and care for them. May they fix their eyes on You, may they be steadfast and immovable always abounding in the work of the Lord. I ask You to strengthen marriages that they would be a powerful witness of Your grace and forgiveness to these boys who often have not ever seen it. I pray that they would seek to be totally fulfilled and delighted in You alone.*

*Father, we come boldly to Your throne of grace, through the shed blood of Christ...to present to You each and every boy that is at the ranch (and also those from the past, and those yet to come)*

*We know that You are more powerful than any foe. We pray that You would break the stranglehold of the evil one, that these young men may see the glorious light of Christ and His gospel. There is no heart that is too*

*hard, there is nothing that is impossible with You. Forgive us for believing this lie sometimes. We praise You and thank You that You will accomplish all these things, because we ask them according to Your will. We ask in faith, without any doubting, knowing that You are able to do exceeding abundantly beyond what we could ask or think!*

*We offer You our deepest thankfulness for the future and hope that we have in Christ!!*

*We love You, Lord!! Please accept our praise and worship this day. May You be exalted in our lives as we seek to serve You with gladness today!*

Amen. I know that many of you pray for us like this mom does, and I am humbled. God is not just responding to the needs of the boys and their families, though He very much cares about their needs. He is also responding to your (and our) desire to glorify Him by loving and serving Him. Thank you for your prayers.

God bless,

Bob Hostetler  
Executive Director

Our praises:

- The boys are, for the most part, doing well in school. The teachers are engaging them well and appropriately, and they are responding.
- We have several applications for staff. Now the applicants and the Ranch need God's wisdom as to whether to deputize them.

Our prayer requests:

- The boy's relationships with their parents.
  - Shannon Shipley has been sick.
  - Bob Hostetler is having rotator-cuff surgery on his right shoulder Monday, October 3.
  - We are making plans to build a new school for the boys, and need wisdom as to design, size, finances, etc. (The old school was built in the 40s and was used as a bunk house.)
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