



# Cowboy's Rest

## Christian Camp & Retreat Center

"Return to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you." - Psalm 116:7

### Semi-Annual Newsletter November 21, 2022

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### A Word from Our President

"...always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father..." – Ephesians 5:10

These words from Paul's letter to the saints who were in the city of Ephesus during the first century are a good reminder for us today. When we look around us at the numerous issues facing our world at this moment in time, it is difficult to say, much less give, thanks for all things. Yet, by faith, we can give thanks to God our Father as we focus on our Lord Jesus.

It is His Kingdom we are committed to and it is in service to Him that we press on proclaiming, "the Name above all names...Jesus!" And this is what we have been doing at Cowboy's Rest for the past 24 years thanks to His abundant grace.

We can give thanks for all the people, young and old, who have traveled many miles to enjoy the Presence of God and encountered a life-changing experience at the camp. We can also thank God for the dedicated volunteers and camp staff who have spent thousands of hours serving campers in various ways and employing their giftedness to the Glory of our God and Savior. And there are many other ways we can be thankful for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, such as the way He has provided the funding necessary to operate the ministry of Cowboy's Rest.

And thankfully He provides just the right equipment and buildings to replace some of the aging physical facilities. We can thank Him for companies like Out West Buildings for donating the new bunkhouse that replaced one of the "older teepees" and Burns Machinery for donating a new solar array to power the water pump. I expect we can all think of some Church body, fellow believer, or some other organization that has contributed to God's ministry at Cowboy's Rest. Take time now to thank our God for them.

Looking forward to how we can "Give Thanks" in the coming year, Herb Shedd

### Upcoming Events

- December 17<sup>th</sup> - Cowboy's Rest Family Christmas Day
- January 1<sup>st</sup> - Staff Applications Open
- January 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> - High School Winter Camp
- January 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> - Staff Reunion Retreat
- January 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> - Jr High Winter Camp
- March 1<sup>st</sup> - Summer Camp registration opens
- March 11<sup>th</sup> - Board of Directors Spring Meeting
- April 15<sup>th</sup> - Cowboy's Rest Day of Prayer and Fasting





## Summer 2022

We praise God for yet another amazing summer at CR. Despite our initial staff shortage and last-minute staff changes, the Lord provided us with an impressively hard-working team and a huge group of volunteers that was more than enough to satisfy our needs.

June saw intense dust storms that tried to take the flume down the canyon. July saw another close call with a wildfire, yet the camp remained safe and the Spirit's work was evident throughout.

We are looking forward to next summer with enthusiastic hope and are grateful for another successful season in the books.



## ICEBERG MELTDOWN

After *well* over a decade of being put to good use, our iconic “iceberg” inflatable has finally been retired. Please be praying about the finances and decisions involved in its replacement.

### Praises from 2022

God's provision and protection.  
All that was done in the hearts and minds of campers.  
An abundance of volunteers.  
Our amazing “skeleton staff.”  
Several baptisms took place (including one staff member).  
The churches, families, and communities who continuously support our mission.

### Prayers for 2023

The February 2024 retirement of founders Bob and Chris Burrows.  
Current and potential changes in leadership.  
Summer staff (both quality and quantity).  
Precipitation.  
The seeds that were planted/watered over the summer.  
That the Lord will continue to use and protect this ministry.

To join our email prayer team or become a prayer sponsor for a staff member, please email us at [cowboysrest@hotmail.com](mailto:cowboysrest@hotmail.com)

## The Book of Revelation



## Winter Camp 2023