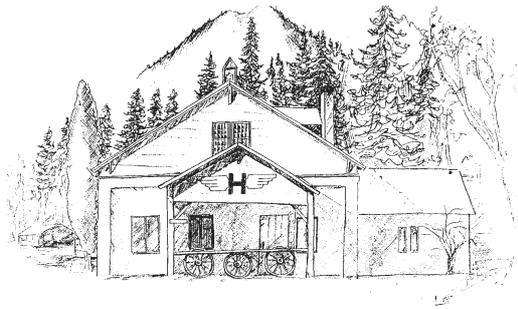


Flying H Youth Ranch

370 Flying H Loop
Naches, WA 98937



“...turning the hearts...” *Malachi 4:6* since

October 2007

Dear Partners,

One of the primary objectives we have is to engage a boy's heart through mentoring. That means we want to be a teacher, guide, and counselor to our residents and their families. How shall we accomplish such a difficult objective? After all, these boys aren't here because they have been real teachable. It could be that scripture can help us out.

“Place these words on your hearts. Get them deep inside you. Tie them on your hands and foreheads as a reminder. Teach them to your children. Talk about them wherever you are, sitting at home or walking in the street; talk about them from the time you get up in the morning until you fall into bed at night. Inscribe them on the doorposts and gates of your cities.”

Deuteronomy 11:18-20

So when I'm supervising the boys going to bed, I need to talk to them about God's words and perspective about rest. When I'm training boys how to stack wood, I need to relate God's perspective on work. When I'm giving a boy a consequence for disobedience, I need to help him understand God's perspective on authority. Does this really matter? Oh yeah. As we go on in Dueteronemy, God tells us the why:

“so that you'll live a long time, and your children with you, on the soil that GOD promised to give your ancestors for as long as there is a sky over the Earth.”

Deuteronomy 11:21

And what is at the heart of what we are supposed to teach our residents? Jesus has direction for us:

“Go to the people of all nations and make them my disciples. Baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and *teach them to do everything I have told you*. I will be with you always, even until the end of the world.” (Emphasis mine.)

Matthew 28:19-20

We are to teach them to do, or obey, everything He has told us. Wow! I think we need the Holy Spirit to equip us.

But, it's not just about what we say, it's also what we do. How we model the things we're teaching is at least as important as what we're saying. If there is a gap between what we say God's desire for us is and my practices, the boys pick up on the hypocrisy right away. Do we need the Holy Spirit's intervention in us so we are able to obey all that he has told us? Oh yeah. Please pray that we, the staff, would seek the Holy Spirit for wisdom, understanding, and courage to say and do what God has called us to., that we could mentor these boys and their families according to His desire.

God bless,

Bob

Bob Hostetler

Executive Director

Our praises are:

- We have eight boys signed up to do the Bible Study *Experiencing God* by Henry Blackaby. We will be meeting on Monday nights.
- Nick and Janelle Marks have joined us as interns! Please pray for them.
- We have two more missionary applications.

Our prayer requests are:

- The fall Family Resolve is October 19-21.
- The boys will be going home for a week of Home Assignment at the end of Resolve. This will be a test to see if they can transfer what they are learning from the Ranch to their homes and their parents. The parents will also be tested to see if they can pursue appropriate relationships with their sons, and provide structure.
- We (the staff) will be having a 3 day retreat while the boys are home. Please pray that we will be protected from the enemy's influence. We plan on talking about purity of focus, and he would enjoy getting us off on tangents.
- Aaron and Tricia Hunting have sent out their support letter and are starting to get commitments.
- Chris and Amber Rodriguez are ready to send out their support letters.

Our needs

- We need \$9,000 for electrical supplies for the new school.
- We need insulation for the school.
- We need a mechanic.