

# FALL NEWSLETTER

Dear friends and family,

The summer season is officially over! Our theme for the summer was “Walk in the Light” (1 John 1:5-10), and we had an amazing seven weeks of summer camp and two family camps to close out the summer season. I worked alongside a phenomenal team of counselors, programming staff, and the rest of the departments here at the ranch to create an environment in which the gospel was shared every day with every kid who came. My work included helping run the climbing wall, lifeguarding, assisting with rancher needs, and assisting the counselors in anything they needed help with. I also had the opportunity to be a counselor during the final week! It was a huge blessing to connect with ranchers I’ve known from the past as well as new ranchers, and to see how God is working and planting seeds in their hearts. During the summer, eighty-one ranchers gave their lives to Christ! It was a huge blessing to be able to witness the planting of seeds in all the young hearts that attended our camps.

Our School of Discipleship has been going very well! At the end of August, we graduated our class of 2023, and just a few weeks ago we welcomed our new class of students to the ranch. It has been a true blessing to be able to forge strong friendships with the students at the ranch. Be in prayer for this year’s students and last year’s class that they will continue to stay faithful to God and trust His sovereignty in their lives.

Like last year, part of my job here at the ranch includes being an advisor to a few of the guy students. I am co-advising with the Stanley family, and we have two students, Kenton and Aaron, who will meet with us regularly on Tuesday nights for dinner and fellowship. Besides being an advisor, for my work at the ranch as the current Assistant Program Director, I schedule and help run most retreats and events here at Miracle Mountain Ranch. I also help lead the students who are in the programming department in a book study on Biblical Counseling. Being able to organize retreats gives me the ability to connect and fellowship with the many guests who come to the ranch. Building personal relationships and friendships with the many staff, students, and retreaters who come here is one of the reasons I love working at MMR so much.

## Testimonies from Camp

“This week I learned more about who God is”

“This week at camp I’ve learned to conquer my fears. No matter what gets in my way, Jesus is by my side”

“Miracle Mountain Ranch has been convicting to me. Christ has been my savior for a long time but to completely seek after His heart feels different”



## Current Support



To work here full-time at MMR, I need to raise mission support. The amount I need to raise to stay on staff is \$1,300 a month. My current support is at \$400 a month, and if I do not start making progress toward my monthly goal, I will not be able to remain here on staff. If you would like to support me either monthly or with a one-time gift, you can go to [mmrm.org/give](http://mmrm.org/give) and donate through my staff page. Any support would be an answer to prayer, and I continue to trust God and His plan for my life as I continue working here at Miracle Mountain Ranch.

## Prayer Requests

- As I continue to work at MMR, that I will trust God and joyfully receive the blessings He has so graciously gifted me with.
- For the two young men I'm mentoring, Kenton and Aaron, that I would be a source of biblical wisdom for them throughout the year, and that they would be able to thoroughly set their hearts on Christ at all times.
- That God will continue to allow me to work here at the ranch by providing for me financially.

I am so blessed to work in an incredible Christian environment with people who love the Lord and strive to please Him every day. Thank you for the support and prayers that I have received from all of you. I look forward to seeing how God works through me in this next year!

Yours in Christ,

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