

# From the Stanleys

November 2025



## We're Moving!

When I think of all the possible headlines for this season of life, that's the one that comes to mind. Within the next few months, we'll be moving into a home on the Ranch that will allow us to host larger groups. Right now the operations staff are doing some much-needed renovation work to the kitchen/dining room, and the target move-in date is this upcoming February. If you feel led to contribute, contact the ministry or send a check with "Stanley home renovation" in the memo line. The prospect of a new home is exciting, and Kara and I have spent hours poring over sketches and dreaming up floor plans. We're daunted by the thought of the actual move, but eager to be in our new home.

We're keeping ourselves busy aside from the impending move, of course. Gavin is five, and he's involved in quite a lot—school, piano lessons, Trail Life, and kids choir. He's got a clever mind, and it's hard to keep that mind occupied with all the right things! Legos are a current fascination, which means that Kara and I need to watch our steps more carefully when we walk through the house. There's nothing like the pain of stepping on some sharp plastic Lego piece!

Kara has had a busy fall teaching Gavin, and teaching lessons. Her students were in a number of horse shows earlier in the season, although that's slowed down considerably now. She sells whatever she can get her hands on to supplement our income, and lately that's been DIY craft supplies.



## In the School



We inducted another class this fall, and it's one of the largest we've ever had—38 students! That's kept me busy with teaching, grading, administration, and discipleship. Earlier this fall I taught Bible Hermeneutics, and Technology in the Christian Life to our first years, and I just finished teaching Old Testament Survey before they left for their break. I'll take December off of teaching, and in January I'll be teaching Bible Hermeneutics II to our second years.

Kara and I have enjoyed having Josiah Gross as a co-advisor with us for the last three years, but he's married now, and so we're back to advising alone. We have two guys this year: Robbie, a second year, and Jeremiah, a new first year from Oregon. It's been great to have them down every Tuesday, and Gavin loves having "the guys" over—he thinks they come just to play with him!

## Pray for us!

We so appreciate the way many of you continually intercede for us in prayer. Please pray with us:

- Pray for our family, that Kara and I would love each other well and raise Gavin well, and that he would continue to grow in the faith;
- Pray for Daniel's upcoming classes in the new year, and for Kara as she continues to dive into Gavin's homeschooling;
- Pray for our students, that they would grow as men and women in Christ, and as Christian leaders;
- Pray that God will supply the necessary funds for us to continue our work here, and especially that the Lord would bring monies in to help with the house renovation!



Please prayerfully consider supporting us financially. If you would like to or feel called to support us in this ministry financially, here are some things you might like to know:

- 100% of your support goes directly to us.
- All gifts are tax deductible.
- Check or money orders should be made out directly to Miracle Mountain Ranch, designated for us on a separate piece of paper or in the memo line.
- MMR does have the ability to do direct deposit withdraws from your checking or savings account for your monthly giving.
- Support can also be given online at [mmrm.org](http://mmrm.org).

Thank you all for your investment of time, money, prayer and friendship into our lives and ministry. 2025 has been a great year, and we look forward to what the Lord will do in 2026. God bless you!

Daniel, Kara, and Gavin