



# TW Quarter Circle Ranch Ministries



Bev & Curt

Thank you for praying for TW Quarter Circle Ranch Ministries. We have been very busy, but the Lord is sustaining us. Here are the highlights of the last few months. We ask for your continued prayers.

### Missions Conference

This year our church Faith Baptist of Taylors invited us to be part of their missions conference. We were very humbled that they would think of us. It proved to be an exciting time sharing what the Lord has done. We are in the process of preparing to start raising support in churches. We plan on presenting the ministry in local churches first, but we already have some opportunities in Florida in the spring.



Julia & Wranglers

### Julia's Birthday Party

Julia has been participating in our horsemanship program for the last three years. We have witnessed to her and her family on several occasions. She is especially attentive during the challenge at the horse shows and gymkhanas. In October we had a little birthday party for her at the barn. We gave her a German Bible for her gift and had cake, which seemed to please her. Christy, one of the extension students from BJU, has been especially burdened for Julia. She talked with her later about reading the Bible. Julia said she was very busy with school, but would try to read it over Christmas. With a twinkle in her eye, she said that that would probably be a good time to read the Bible.

### Testimonies

The wrangler extension students report each week about what they were able to accomplish. Here are a few comments made.

*I got to ride Jake and getting him working was such a satisfying feeling. I can't wait to see how God will use this work on riding to His glory. There's a purpose for everything. I love what we do and the relief from work that our ministry brings. Physical labor combined with a sincere concern for the souls of the students has been such a huge blessing. Thanks for taking me along! \_\_\_\_\_Christy*

One of our wrangler parent's commented:

*Thanks for caring about Marietta. I think your ministry is so good for her, and she loves it.*

Another college extension girl said,

*There are two things that I wanted to say. First, I wanted to tell you how much this extension has meant to me. I've learned so much about horses, dealing with people, and about God in the past two years that I've been coming out. Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to work with you. I've been challenged in many ways. I know that with this extension we're supposed to be ministering to the riders who come out, but in many ways I think that I've gotten the biggest blessing. God's been challenging and stretching me. I've grown a lot since I first came. Like I said at the missions conference, I was a perfect description of the rebellious horse, but God finally got through to me and showed me that the only way to be perfectly at peace is to be submitted to him. Thank you for challenging and encouraging me spiritually. \_\_\_\_\_Lisa*

### **Wrangler Appreciation**



This year we added a special time to say thank you for our wranglers who selflessly give of their time week after week. We contacted the students and parents and asked for them to donate lunch and their time to run a special gymkhana, so that the wranglers could compete and win ribbons. Don and Martha Snyder donated \$300 for prize money for these hard working kids. I think that every wrangler went home having won some ribbons and money. One wrangler said, when she heard that the students were going to run the gymkhana for them, "They would do that for us?"

### **Croft Horse Show**

We took Julia and three college students to the Spartanburg Horse Show and did very well in the competition. I was able to talk with the man that had his trailer next to ours. I think it will lead to a future opportunity.

### **Dupont Trail Tom & Amy**

We did a special trail ride for Tom and Amy to honor Tom who will be going to Iraq some time in the near future to train the Iraqi police force. Tom has been a member of the Greenville police for some time now. We thought Tom would be leaving at Thanksgiving, but his departure has been postponed pending some work-related duties here..

### **November Horse Show/Gymkhana**

We closed out our fall horse show circuit with Curt giving a very direct and clear presentation of the Gospel during our lunch break. He had a lady come to him afterwards and declare that she had renewed her commitment to Christ.

### **Sunday School Class**

On Sunday, November 18 we brought the horses to church for a lunch demonstration for Curt's Sunday School class. We set up a temporary round pen and Bev demonstrated Willow while Curt gave the spiritual applications and explanations of the nature of the horse, its relationship with man, and our relationship with the Lord. When we were packing up a fellow drove up in his pick up to let us know he was a ferrier and promoting a particular vet clinic that had just changed ownership. Curt was able to give him one of our tracts and witness to him.

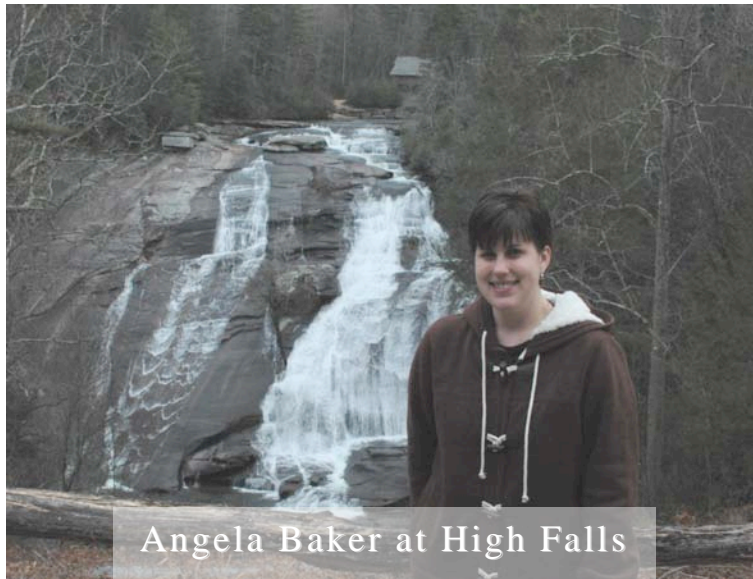
### **Trail Rides**

At Thanksgiving we took fourteen riders to Dupont State Forest for a five-mile trail ride. We had some new people we had not met before, including several unsaved. It was a tremendous time. We stopped at Triple Falls for lunch where Curt shared the plan of salvation. We also were able to share our tracts with several along the way, who stopped and asked us about the horses and what we were doing. It continues to amaze us the door that the Lord opens through the horses.

Then in January we included GFA missionary Angela Baker and friend Michaeleen Crow on our trail ride to thank them for horse sitting over Christmas.



Soulwinning at Sunday School



Angela Baker at High Falls

### **Prayer Requests**

Please pray for Christa Ardt, one of our wranglers, who has been with us for five years. She has some health issues with her hands and has not been able to come out on extension for some time now. The doctors don't seem to know exactly why she is having so much pain. She has a camp ministries major and a minor in piano, and both of those areas have been severely hindered.

Also pray for the Russell Reach family. Russell unexpectedly went to be with the Lord after battling Lyme disease for a number of years. He was our friend, and also our attorney who was in the process of getting our non-profit status. We are waiting for the court to release our papers and give us permission to have someone else take over. At this point we are unclear how much has been done. So we ask for your prayers in this matter.



## An Added Dimension

We will be starting deputation to raise support for the ministry in the near future. This is an area that the Lord is definitely stretching us. At our age, this is all new territory. The Lord gave Curt an acrostic for our ministry that is very appropriate.

Helping  
Others  
Realize  
Spriritual  
Excellence

The H.O.R.S.E. program is designed to disciple and train the wranglers the Lord sends to us. Remember that our wranglers are the high school and college students who come to work our camps, horsemanship sessions, and gymkhanas.

H.O.R.S.E targets those students who are already serious about a life of service, or are very open to the possibility. It is our goal that participants in the TW Quarter Circle H.O.R.S.E. program will begin to reproduce Christlikeness, or “spiritual excellence,” in others through personal evangelism and discipleship. The program had its beginnings in the extension ministries of Bob Jones University students helping with horsemanship sessions. We hope, with God’s help, that this beginning will lead to a one to two year equestrian training program enabling graduates to ministry faithfully and effectively in equine ministries and Christian camps.

Love,  
Curt & Bev Doherty



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