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Victory Ranch Winter 2010-11 Newsletter

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COLLEGE SINGLES RETREAT

Our 2011 College/Singles Retreat is scheduled for January 14-16. The theme will be "It's Not About Me" with the theme coming from Genesis 12:2 where Abram was challenged to "be a blessing." All participants registered by January 1st will receive a t-shirt and camp picture.

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SPRING RETREATS

Our Men's Retreat this spring will be held on March 25-26. The Ladies will be the following weekend, April 1-2. Mark these dates on your calendar and plan to join us!

MEN'S RETREAT - MARCH 25-26, 2011
with Pastor Jerry Wilkie

LADIES RETREAT - APRIL 1-2, 2011
with Sally Schrock

FREE FIREWOOD

With winter approaching you may be interested in some firewood to keep you warm. The Ranch has a lot of logs, many which are already cut to length. If you are interested in taking some, please contact the Ranch to set up a time to pick them up.



FROM THE DIRECTORS DESK:

Merry Christmas!

by Paul Cayot

With crime and unemployment on the rise, families struggling to pay their bills, our Country in financial decline, wars and rumors of wars, it is easy to find ourselves discouraged. However, God is still in control. The same God that has seen kingdoms rise and fall throughout the course of history remains on His throne.

No matter how bad things get, our God is still with us. Psalm 91 declares that those who "dwell in the secret place of the most high," will be protected by their God. We as Christians, have much to be thankful for.

Personally as well as serving as Director of this ministry, I have much to be thankful for. My wife Deb has struggled with cancer for over 3 years. In March, we thought the end of her mortal life could be near. Praise the Lord, God gave her another year of relatively good health. She began driving again and has even been able to home school John Paul.

Rental use of the Ranch has been down this summer and fall. However, I am encouraged as I hear of lives that have been touched this year as well as in years past by this ministry. Our own summer camp attendance actually went up over 30 campers from one year ago. Over 30 salvation and rededications decisions were made this summer by our campers.

As you celebrate the birth of our Savior this Christmas season, I trust you will reflect on God's great love for us by allowing His Son to die for us. Jesus Christ paid the penalty for our sins and rose from the dead, paving the way for us to have eternal life with Him. This joyous message is one that is proclaimed throughout the year at Victory Ranch.

If God has blessed you with the resources to help others this year, I trust you will consider the impact your gift can make through the ministry of Victory Ranch. Your support of this ministry enables us to maintain a Christ centered program young people from across Southern California can afford to attend.

Whether or not you make a financial contribution, I challenge you to make a commitment to uphold this ministry in prayer in 2011. Thank you for partnering with us as we seek to challenge people of all ages to spiritual growth and a life of dedication to our Lord. I look forward to seeing you at Victory Ranch in 2011. **Merry Christmas!**



OUR 2010 WINTER PROJECT

Our sidewalk connecting the north half of camp with the south end involved a little more work than we had initially intended. We ended up needing to put in a retaining wall to keep the sidewalk running straight and a fair distance from the Olive trees. We still need to pour more concrete as well as install lighting for the sidewalk.

Our RVIC volunteers will arrive shortly, and we will tackle the “saggy” ceiling in Wagon Wheel’s conference room and the bent frame on the dump truck and painting among other things. If you would like to help with our winter projects please designate your gift for the “Winter Project” fund.



2011 SUMMER CAMP DATES



ROUND-UP UPDATE

We were blessed with picture perfect weather on November 6th as close to 200 people participated in the annual Round-up at the Ranch. Young people enjoyed their own program during the main session then everyone joined together for lunch. Our offering fell short of expenses, but praise the Lord for First Baptist Hemet, Bible Baptist Santa Monica and Huntington Valley Baptist of Fountain Valley who stepped in to make up the difference.



GOD'S BLESSINGS

We have seen God answer many prayers this year and provide for this ministry in many ways. In 2010 God used many of you to bless Victory Ranch and it's ministry through prayers and financial support. We received donations which included 52 tons of hay for our animals, 30 doors, 3 horses, multiple calves, 3 ATC's,



a trailer, furniture, evergreen and fruit trees, appliances and much more. We also thank the Lord for numerous individuals who donated their time and talent to take on projects around the Ranch.

GOODSEARCH & GOODSHOP

This past year you raised **\$52.25** through all of your searching and shopping!!! Thank you & keep up the great work! Victory Ranch now has a custom logo for the GoodSearch tool bar to help remind you to support the Ranch every time you search or buy items on the internet. Just go to www.goodsearch.com and be sure to enter [Victory Ranch - Moreno Valley](#) as the charity you want to support. Be sure to spread the word to your friends and family!

COLLEGE SINGLES RETREAT

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Participants in the retreat should be prepared for a quick-paced, fun weekend which will challenge them in their spiritual walk with the Lord as Andy Giessman shares with us from God's Word. Music will be led by Bible Baptist (Huntington Park) and Faith Calvary Baptist's (Los Angeles) Praise & Worship Teams. The cost will be \$65 per person. The Retreat will start Friday evening and conclude with lunch on Sunday. Don't be left out! See our website for more details.



TRANSFORMED SWEATSHIRTS

Our Victory Ranch sweatshirts with the “Be Transformed” logo have been a real hit, so we ordered more. They are high quality black, hooded sweatshirts with the “Be Transformed” logo in Gold with a white outline. They are \$35 and can be purchased from the Ranch. Limited quantities remain so call for available sizes. We also have 50th Anniversary collector t-shirts in olive & white for \$10. You can view more pictures by visiting our website at www.vranch.org.



LIVING CHRISTMAS TREES

If you enjoy having a “real” Christmas tree in your home but hate to throw it away after Christmas, consider buying a live tree this year. Keep it watered through the holidays then donate it to Victory Ranch. We will issue you a tax-deductible receipt for the tree, and then plant it at the Ranch where it will be enjoyed by our guests for years to come.



UPDATE ON DEB

Deb's cancer count was over 6000 in March when we were able to schedule a surgery which helped relieve some of Deb's discomfort. In the months following the surgery her numbers came down to a low of 725 in July. Currently they are climbing and have broken 2000. We thank you for your continued prayers for our family.



MAILING LIST UPDATE

If your address has changed, or if you wish to be removed from our mailing list, please contact us at camp@vranch.org. Also, we are compiling an e-mail list if you would like to receive an electronic newsletter instead. Please be patient, it will take a little time, but we will make any requested changes in our database. Our mailing list is made up of campers, retreat attendees, contributors, and other interested parties. Our mailing list is never sold or given to anyone.

RANCH NEEDS

If you have any of the following items, or something else you think the Ranch may be able to use, please contact the Ranch. We are still seeking:

- 20' or 40' Cargo Container
- Appliance Dolly
- Clocks (alarm, wall, etc)
- Electric Pipe Threader
- Electrical wire (0 through 12 gauges)
- Gravel for dirt sections of road
- Jack hammer
- Multimedia projector
- Multi-horse Horse trailer
- Oreck Vacuums
- Table saw
- Tractor - Bobcat or similar
- Trail Horses