

TEEN RANCH



“to love Christ and radiate His love”

Hi,

You have asked about Teen Ranch staff. We are sincerely thankful for your interest.

Teen Ranch is a non-denominational, non-profit, Christian organization. We utilize the medium of sports programs in an unregimented, relaxed, warm, friendly atmosphere to introduce others to Jesus Christ. Finally, we accept the responsibility of nurturing them in their spiritual growth. The task is not an easy one, but one that requires a deep love for the Lord Jesus Christ and an earnest desire to serve Him by serving others.

Our staff 'family' has grown over the years to include people from the ages of 15 to 90. We represent many vocations and come from many backgrounds. Some folks help mainly on weekends. High school students can accumulate 15 volunteer hours each full weekend they do. Most summer staff work on a voluntary basis and comes for a period of 7 - 10 weeks. 40 volunteer hours are allotted for each summer week. We do fill the 'holes' with those who are not available as long. God has faithfully supplied for His work here in every way over the past 50 years.

The vision that God has given His ministry here is “to love Christ and radiate His love.” If this expresses your desire and our “Statement of Faith” (next page) expresses your beliefs, we would love to hear from you.

Whether we are privileged to have you as part of the Ranch Staff 'family' or should you be directed elsewhere, our prayer is that you will “acknowledge God in all your ways and He will make your paths straight.” Proverbs 3:5, 6

Sincerely on behalf of the Ranch Staff,

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Statement of Faith

We believe in One Eternal God existing as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who governs all things according to His will.

We acknowledge the Creator God as our Heavenly Father, infinitely perfect and intimately acquainted with all our ways.

We claim Jesus Christ as our Lord. We affirm that He is God who came in human flesh.

We recognize the Holy Spirit as the third member of the Godhead, who works convicting of sin, bringing about faith in Christ, teaching and comforting.

We affirm our confidence in God's inspired Word, the Bible, without error in the original documents. We treasure its truths and we respect its supreme and final authority regarding faith and conduct.

We confess Adam's fall into sin, resulting in physical and spiritual death (eternal separation from God). All human beings are born with a sinful nature and have no hope of eternal life with God in Heaven, apart from new birth made possible by the Savior Jesus Christ's death and bodily resurrection. We believe that God, in His great love, offers salvation from sin, its power and resulting death, to all. Those who accept it by faith, apart from works, become new creations in Christ.

We anticipate the Lord's promised return, which could occur at any moment. We are convinced that all who have died will be brought back from beyond for judgment – believers to everlasting communion with God and unbelievers to everlasting separation from God.

We are to be part of Christ's Body, the Church, composed of all true believers, which exists to proclaim God's truth, to stimulate growth to maturity and to worship God.

*(The Ranch's Statement of Faith endeavors to summarize the fundamental beliefs embraced by the Board and Senior Staff. Since the Ranch is interdenominational and staff come from various backgrounds and denominations, personal beliefs with concern to disputable or controversial doctrinal issues should **not** be stressed in relationships with fellow staff members or guests, nor included in our teaching. We ask staff to avoid creating division, but instead, work toward order and harmony for God's glory. "By this will all know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35)*