

OVERCOMERS PROGRAM
"GIVING FLIGHT TO THE NATIVE AMERICAN SPIRIT . . . ONE FAMILY AT A TIME"

The Gooder News



Greetings to all our faithful supporters.

We have begun our fall session and God has brought to us five incredible men Rudy, Charles, Kevin, Robert, and

Brandon. We are eager to come alongside these men and walk with them through this part of their journey. They have only been here a couple of days and already they have begun working together as a unit. We feel that this session will start where the last had left off and that God will do some amazing things in their lives over the next three months.



Ken and Anita Abell are still with us



and Tom Garrison has joined us once again to help. Without the help of volunteers such as these nurturing relationships with the men we would not be able to enjoy the success we do. We also cannot express enough our gratitude and thanks for all the support all of you have given us over the years.

God Bless

Ralph & Bonnie Yoder

Program managers

A Vision Clarified and Expanded

It was nine years ago that we accepted God's offer to move west and work with the Overcomers. From the beginning it has been our desire to grow the program and reach as many men as we could. Over the past several years God has been opening up doors with many different contacts within the community and the Tribal Government. Within the past few months God has not only clarified that vision but has expanded it exponentially. We did not want to add to the number of men per session as that would interfere with the intimacy factor which is integral to the success of the men. We also are unable to increase the number of sessions per year due to the many other ministries here on the mission. This led to the only possibility and that is duplication of what we are doing here. This all led to another batch of questions culminating in HOW? God has always been in the Q & A business and as I stated He not only answered that but revealed to us a picture beyond anything we could imagine. We have been contacted by members of other Tribes expressing interest into the program and the possibility of duplication. This all requires us to have a

new and separate facility where this can take place. Thus the vision:

1. Land and building dedicated to the program so we can run three sessions per year a max of 24 clients served.
2. Offer opportunities for past graduates to come and help with program and eventually raise leaders from within the program.
3. Extra housing for those interested in duplicating the program to stay and join us during one of the sessions.
4. Greenhouses to raise produce for program tended to by clients.
5. Area for small amount of livestock to provide eggs, milk, and meat. This too will be tended to by the clients.
6. Solar panels on roof to reduce utilities as much as possible.
7. Program needs to be able to generate enough income to cover operating costs including support for HLC and director of program.

All this culminates in the ability to help set up other programs across the country on other reservations and reach a greater number than we ever realized.

For all this to come to pass there are a few things we need to have done and costs incurred.

1. An outside audit for integrity purposes—cost \$2000.
2. We currently operate under the umbrella of Christ For The Nations 501c3, so we need to acquire our own which will open us up for more grant opportunities—cost \$2000
3. Land & building assessment including 3D rendering of buildings so that we can approach companies to present our vision in hopes of possible financial assistance—cost approximate \$7000—\$8000

The vision God has laid out is daunting and will require His provision for it to succeed. We are asking all our loyal supporters to make this a matter of prayer. We seek continued clarity, additional personnel, and the finances to bring this about.

"What is impossible with men is possible with God."

Luke 18 : 27

Navajo BIC Overcomers

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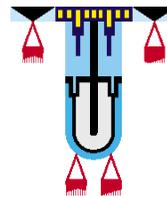
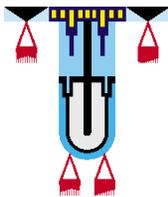
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Yoder Family News



But the Lord is faithful; He will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. 2 Thessalonians 3:3 We are so very thankful for His faithfulness, strength, and empowerment as we continue in His calling on our lives. We had a very busy summer traveling from coast to coast sharing about the Overcomers as well as learning and growing from the many experiences and people we shared with. We were blessed to be able to visit with so many family and friends along the way. Kayla stayed home as she wanted to find a job to bank as much as she could toward her move to Indiana in November. She continues to work at Hobby Lobby and would like to attend Bethel College next fall. She will move to Indiana and live with Ralph's sister, working and spoiling her nephew until next fall. Josh traveled with us for a short time until he flew to WA to work with Mending Wings SLAM groups for the summer. We were able to take his car and all his belongings to him in WA on our way to Wiconi Family Camp in OR. We were privileged to be able to stay with Corey and Gina Greaves, he is the director of Mending Wings, getting to know the people Josh is working with along with a greater understanding of the awesome ministry of Mending Wings. Our daughter Ashli and her husband Frank are expecting our first grandson on November 10. We plan to travel to Indiana with Kayla and all her belongings after Program graduation (Nov. 14) to meet their precious son and spend some time with them. We also have our dear friends Frank and Ruth Tabolts daughter Maddie with us for the school year. She is settling in with school, a job at Sonic, and volunteering where she can. God Bless, Ralph and Bonnie

Prayer Requests and Praises

Praises- The awesome staff (both full time and volunteer) that God continues to bring to us. We could not function well without them.

Anson, Benji, Clyde, and Anthony as they continue in their journey to freedom, despite any stumbles and road blocks along the way.

The group—Convicted by Christ— an accountability group that has become a part of our program and a place for the men to stay connected to after they leave here.

Knowing, feeling and seeing the presence of God every day in our lives as well as the lives of the men who are here as clients.

God's hand of protection on staff and families during everyday activities and victory over any attacks from the enemy.

The wonderful opportunity Josh has been presented with for his internship with Mending Wings.

Prayer requests- We are still in need of one Home Living Coordinator couple for our spring session. Please pray that God would open the heart of the right couple willing to come and share their lives.

Pray for Charles, Brandon, Kevin, Rudy, and Robert as they begin their journey towards freedom in Christ.

That the tribe will allow us to apply for another grant to assist the men as they struggle to pay for their tuition while here.

Financially the program will be able to support itself and make much needed upgrades and improvements.

We continue to have a strong prayer warrior support for all that happens here with the men, staff and program.

Continued continuity and cohesiveness of our staff during programs as well as in-between programs.

The men would always be able to see Christ in each and every one of us.

That Josh's support would increase so that he can concentrate on his internship.

Overcomer Program Needs

Again, we wish to thank all of you who have supported the program financially and through prayer. We bring to all some pressing needs that have arisen over the past year.

1. We are looking for additional supporters who would be willing to come along side and help. Donations may be made directly through our web-site with PayPal.
2. 12 passenger van for client transportation.
3. Better quality camping equipment/gear for our annual camping trip. Something that will last more than one or two trips.
4. Partial tuition scholarships for clients who have no resources or family to help.
5. Replace flooring throughout.

