

BIC Overcomers

*"CHRIST, THE UNIQUE OVERCOMER,
DWELLS WITHIN TO MAKE US MORE THAN OVERCOMERS"*



Greetings from the high desert.

We have begun another session here at the Overcomers. God has brought us six men this session Alec, Preston, Ryan, Jacob, Frank, and Larry. We have entered the second week at the time of this writing and the men have come together wonderfully and we look forward to the remainder of our time with them and getting to know them better. They

continue to improve each morning around the drum and open more each day.

We have made a connection with the Nageezi Chapter House and have lined up several community projects that the men are glad to be a part of. We have already helped replace a culvert for a family just south of us and there is a construction project for an elderly couple that will take us several weeks to complete. Danny Simpson, the Chapter President, is very grateful for our help and this could lead to a deeper connection with the tribe as he is running for the council delegate position within the Navajo Nation Government. God has also opened a door with the Meskwaki tribe in Iowa and they would like to meet with us after the program

is over. We ask that you make these two items urgent prayer concerns as we go forward.

We continue to make strides as we move forward with the overall vision for the Hope & Redemption Ranch and are excited to see what God has ahead of us.

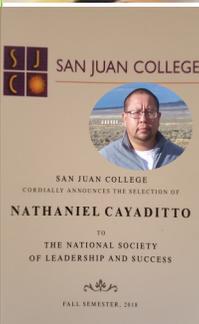
We want to thank all for your prayers and financial support as it allows us to continue to affect the lives of the men God brings us.

Thank You & God Bless

Ralph & Bonnie Yoder

Program Directors

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We would like to give an acknowledgment to Nate. We have been walking and supporting him for a year now and God has been doing some amazing things in and through him. Nate worked hard his first semester and finished with a 3.15 GPA and as a result of his hard work was selected to be accepted into

the National Society of Leadership and Success. It's been a joy watching him experience the wonders of God's provisions.

We also want to thank everyone for their prayers when it came to the need for housing. God answered through an amazing couple Clayton & Leona Asper who provided us with a trailer so Nate would have a place to stay.



John Weaver was such a tremendous friend to the Overcomers in so many ways. He came out to the Overcomers in the spring of 2016 with Carl & Mark from Pleasant Hill to spend time with the men in Program and with our staff. Their time here was a blessing to staff and clients. I have known John and his family for many years and am greatly blessed by the relationship. John had such a heart for God, always striving to do His will in life and ministry. Ralph and I were both so very encouraged and blessed by the last visit we had with John and Margy in our home, just hearing and seeing his fervor for where God had him in ministry. It was with great sorrow for those left behind, that we learned that he had gone home to be with the Lord. His wonderful family continued to bless the Overcomers with memorial donations made to this ministry. He continues to impact and bless the Overcomers in many ways.



Yoder Family News

Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord! Psalms 27:14 Sometimes the waiting can be the hardest part of the vision before us. We know that His timing is perfect and all will happen as He directs. We are so thankful and blessed by His continuing guidance and care of His ministry here. We had a very busy summer full of ministry, family, and fun. We were able to travel to WA & OR again for family time with Josh, Abby & Paul as well as attending Wiconi Family Camp. There was a brief stop in UT to visit with our dear friends Roger & Margaret Williams. Some vehicle issues ensued, but we were covered with God's protection and Ralph's skill as we traveled. Our time of sharing, fellowship, and growth at Wiconi this year was a true blessing and highlight. I had the great privilege of being able to attend the Smucker reunion in VA Beach in August (thanks to the generosity of family members). I had not been able to attend one in about 18 years, what a wonderful time of renewing all those wonderful family connections. Before I left I had the opportunity to spend a little time with Calvin & Melinda in Richmond, helping them prepare for a move. At this point we do not have any trips planned during this session, but one never knows what opportunities may come up. Our grandsons are growing up so fast so far away, but we are able to keep in touch through social media in a way my parents were never able to do, so we feel blessed. Our dear friends Mac & Berny were here shortly as they brought Larry down from IA for this session—looking forward to seeing them in November for graduation. Our cousins from IN were able to stop in for a couple of days at the end of their vacation, just in time for some awesome roasted Hatch green chili's. Thank you all so very much for your continued unfailing support of our family and the Overcomers.

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.

We continue to see growth, despite set-backs, of the men just graduated as well as men who have been out of our Program for a while.

We are so very excited for the vision and path opening up before us for the future of the Overcomers. The vision is large and at times seems overwhelming, but we have a God who is bigger than we can imagine.

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.

New connections of support for the needs of the Overcomers that have come from the most unexpected sources. Including several small grants. God is good.

Prayer requests- We are always looking ahead for couples willing to come see lives changed. We have a couple for the spring session of 2019 with a possibility for the fall.

Pray for Ryan, Preston, Jacob, Frank, Alec & Larry as they become immersed in what God has prepared for them while here.

That financial avenues will open up for the Program in the future as we walk forward into the vision opening up before us.

Financially the program will be able support itself as well as things that will happen in the future.

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.

Keep us in prayer as we continue to seek His direction as we move forward into the vision being opened up.

Direction in regard to the transmission for the Suburban.

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