

BIC Overcomers

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

SEASON OF UNCERTAINTY

"THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING, AND A SEASON FOR EVERY ACTIVITY UNDER HEAVEN"
ECCLESIASTES 3 : 1

Greetings from the high desert.

We are at the time when we would normally be starting a fall session, but as 2020 has gone nothing is normal. Regretfully we have had to suspend this session due to the Covid pandemic and all the restrictions that are still in place here in New Mexico. The need is greater now than before so we continue to faithfully move forward, not only with the next session but also the development of Hope & Redemption Ranch.

This has definitely been a

season of uncertainty and we want to convey our thanks for all of your continued support thru these trying times. Due to all of the uncertainty the problem of substance abuse is greater now than before. Therefore, we will be traveling this fall to garner more support (volunteer, financial, & prayer) so that we can continue to stand and resist the enemy and speak life into the lives of the men God brings to us.



Thank you for your service:

We would like to convey our heartfelt thanks and Gratitude to Ken & Anita Abell. After nine years of service and helping to change the lives of a multitude of men, they have decided to retire and spend time with their grandchildren in Pa. We wish them well and they will be missed.

Bulletin Board

Urgent needs for upcoming program:

Spring Session 2021
(Feb. 22nd—May 21st)

1. Home Living Coordinators:

With the Abells retirement we are in desperate need of at least one couple or single Gentleman willing to volunteer for 3 months and join us in helping change lives. If interested you can find more info here:

[HLC Flyer](#)

2. Counselor:

Ken filled the counseling position while they were here and so we are looking for someone willing to volunteer their time as a counselor.

3. Additional instructors:

Creation to Christ is our Bible

class curriculum and we have always been blessed with the husband of the HLC teaching that course for us, but if that is not the case here, we will need to find an additional instructor.

Financial needs:

We know that these are trying times for all, but if you're not already doing so, we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting the ministry financially or possibly sponsor a fund raising event with your church or community, promoting the BIC Overcomers. Help us change the lives of these men, their families and the communities.

You can give to either the program itself—BIC Overcomers or towards our vision of Hope & Redemption Ranch.

Thank you and God bless.

We will be on the road this fall between October and the middle of December sharing about the Overcomers and the future Hope & Redemption Ranch. We are willing to share with individuals or a group. Contact us if you would like us to visit.

These are links to flyers of the Overcomers and Hope & Redemption Ranch. Print and share them. Thank you.



Yoder Family News

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body, and be thankful. Colossians 3:15

The year 2020 seems to be anything but peaceful, but we are not of the world and so we seek our peace in Him. Despite the frustrations of this crazy year, we have so very much to be thankful for. Not only for the amazing provisions of our Lord, but we have had a wonderful opportunity to spend extra time with our family. Kayla flew down for a week in April when she was first furloughed. Josh, Abby & Paul came for a visit at the end of April that had been planned long before Covid happened. We took our planned spring ministry trip, with most of it family time in IN and PA, speaking in a few churches on our way home. 2 weeks with Ashli, Frank, Joey & Shaun was wonderful, especially since Ralph had not yet met Shaun (who just turned 1 over the weekend). We were able to have Kayla go out to PA with us for a weekend to see Mom, and then we stayed longer after Kayla left. We were able to go to WA in July for two weeks to help Josh and Abby with some projects and stay with Paul while they took a planned trip to Houston. We will be able to see family again as we embark on our fall ministry trip, and so this upended year has actually been one of family time and rest for us. August 14 of this year marked our 15 year anniversary of moving here from Indiana. They have been amazing wonderful years of ministry and we look forward to all that God has for us in the years ahead. Thank you all for your continued support. God Bless, Ralph & Bonnie

Prayer Requests and Praises

Praises— We have been so blessed by having Ken & Anita Abell here for 9 years. They have tirelessly worked with the Overcomers program, speaking healing into the lives of the men God brought to us. They will be greatly missed.

God's faithfulness in a time of uncertainty and chaos. He has supplied our needs as they arise and allowed us this time of inactivity to focus on Him and where He is leading the Overcomers.

Extra time for Ralph & I with our family that we would not normally be able to have. Family is important, and we often feel like we don't always have a lot of time with them.

Our BOD have been wonderful in guidance, support and encouragement. They are truly a blessing to the ministry here as well as the staff.

Prayer requests- Please keep our past clients in prayer as they walk each day with struggles, stumbles and triumph's. Pray that they stay focused on what they learned here and the One who can help them always.

Pray for Ralph & I as we plan our fall ministry trip, that scheduling would happen as it should. That the finances would be there for us to make this trip, and that we would have safety as we travel.

That God would open doors for Hope & Redemption Ranch to become a reality. Keep us moving in the right direction, not following our own dreams, but always walking along His path.

Pray that God brings forth those who have a heart for ministry and are willing to give the Overcomers 3 months of their time. We need staff to fill positions, but also need them to walk alongside of these men, speaking healing and restoration into their lives.

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