

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

The Gooder News



Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

We have begun another session of the Overcomers and again God has brought to us a wonderful group of men (Frank, Jeffrey, Larry, Derek, Brian, and Vinnie). The men have already passed through the first week and are settling in to a new routine. Though they have come from various backgrounds they have quickly adjusted and are working very well together. We are excited about coming alongside these men on their journey that lies before them.

The men are looking forward to several special

events we have this session. We will be attending the Passion Play again this year



and the group from Pa. will be visiting this session once

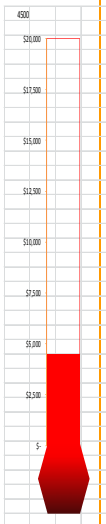
again to go camping, can't wait. Continue to pray for all of us as we strive to carry out God's call for all of us.

May God Bless

Ralph & Bonnie Yoder
Program Mgrs.

Kitchen renovation

We have opened a separate account for any donations designated for our kitchen remodel. We have plans in place and are looking to raise \$20000 for all the materials. At this point we have raised \$4500 towards this project. Completion would greatly improve our ability to serve the men in the program.



Bulletin Board

Friends of the Overcomers

We want to thank all who have been supporting us financially. The program is primarily funded by individuals who have chosen to come alongside and help us touch the lives of the men that God brings us. Without this support we can not accomplish the task at hand. We cannot fully express the importance and all the blessings we have received from all of you.

Our total donations are still critically below the operating costs of the program. We are seeking a total of 500 individuals who are willing to come alongside and help with just \$10 a month and become a "Friend of the Overcomers":

"New Web Site"

Check out our new web site:
www.bicovercomers.org



All of our newsletters will now be on this site along with the ability to donate directly through Paypal.

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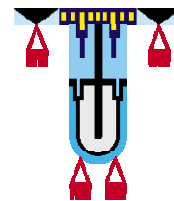
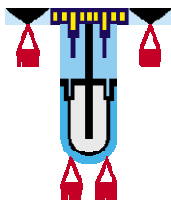
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Yoder Family News



The earth is the Lord's, and all it's fullness, the world and those who dwell therein. Psalm 24:1 What a very busy winter we have had as a family, with many changes occurring along the way. We drove to Tulsa right after Thanksgiving to spend a few days with Josh at Spartan College and to bring our vehicles back. At that time he was really questioning his course of study and being at Spartan. As God began to prompt and urge him, he made the decision to leave Spartan and move back home. He still has a heart and burden for the youth of the community, and God has begun to bring several other young people into emerging ministry to the young people. Josh and Kayla both are feeling a very strong leading toward this ministry, while Josh is ready to step into it all the way. He will probably be traveling with us over the summer and sharing about the vision God is opening up for him. Kayla is doing an amazing job in school this year, hoping to be well into her Jr. year work by the end of the year. She is very close to being ready for her drivers license, although after riding as a passenger last night Josh is not so sure :). I just finished my second batch of classes and will begin a new one next week, on my way toward my goal. It is working out well, considering I have not been in school for a few years. I just need to make sure everything fits into my schedule and no one or area gets shorted. Ralph continues to lead and guide the program, fix problems around campus as needed and is working with a group in Farmington that is concerned about the homeless and alcohol problems in the Four Corners area. Thank you all for your continued support of the ministry here. The Yoders

Prayer Requests and Praises

Praises- The awesome staff that God has blessed us with. We could not function well without them.

The progress we see in the lives of the men from last session, while some backward steps happen, they are still making progress.

Seeing the way God opened some doors for the men in this session to get here was truly amazing.

New supporters of the ministry here have come along side financially and as prayer warriors.

Blessings of donated food, clothing and other items for program and the men.

The new 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.

Prayer requests- We only have one couple this session, our veterans Ken and Anita. Please keep our staff in prayer as we work slightly shorthanded this session.

Pray for Frank, Larry, Derek, Jeffery, Brian and Vincent as they live together, learn and grow toward the ability to walk free and clear of their addictions.

That financial avenues will open and stay open with the tribe to assist the men as they struggle to pay for their tuition while here.

Financially the program will be able 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.

Continuity and cohesiveness of our staff during programs as well as in-between programs. As well, that we all continue to stay well and healthy during this time of diminished staff.

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

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. The program has seen a decline in financial support running at a \$4000 deficit last year. We are looking for additional supporters who would be willing to come along side and help.
2. Our kitchen is in need of renovation so that we can better serve the men.
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.

