

BIC Overcomers

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

“THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING, AND A SEASON FOR EVERY ACTIVITY UNDER HEAVEN:”

Ecclesiastes 3 : 1

Greetings from the high desert of New Mexico.

To begin with we here at the Overcomers wish to convey our thanks and gratitude to everyone who has continued to support us for the past 14 1/2 years.

As the passage above states there is a “season for everything”. We have diligently tried to heed God’s direction for the expansion of the program and many necessary tasks have been put on the

back burner as the immediate session needs would take precedence. For this reason we have elected to suspend the Spring 2020 session so that we can focus on these tasks and prepare for the next season God has in store for us.

There are many things we have planned and one of the events we are truly excited about is we are planning an Alumni celebration, March 28th, to bring together our past

graduates. Since coming out we have worked with over 150 men many whom we continue to have contact with but there are also many that we have lost touch with and this will be an opportunity to reconnect. We ask that you keep this endeavor in your prayers.

Thank You
&
God Bless
Overcomers



Bulletin Board

Our schedule:

March

- 14th Regional Conference (Oklahoma)
- 16th Lighthouse Mission (Clovis, NM)
- 28th Alumni Celebration

April

- 11th Local fundraiser (Bake sale & Hay)

May

- 3rd Abilene BIC Church (Kansas)
- 3rd Cedar House (Kansas)
- 4th Salina Rescue Mission (Kansas)
- 10th Pleasant Hill BIC (Ohio)
- 17th Clinton Frame Ambassadors SS Class (Indiana)
- 17th Nappanee BIC Church (Indiana)
- 24th Green Groves BIC Church (Penn)
- 24th Colyer BIC Church (Penn)
- May 31st - June 14th still available dates
- June 24th local fundraiser Texas Roadhouse

July

- 10 - 13 General assembly (Kansas)
- 23 - 26 Wiconi Family Camp (Oregon)

August

- 24th Fall session begins

We ask that you keep us in prayer as it will be a very busy season as we move forward.

There is one other urgent need that has arisen. The vehicle that was donated by Kayla Yoder & the Nappanee BIC Church to the Yoder family, which has been used in large part for program needs, experienced a catastrophic engine failure and is in need of an engine rebuild. We are looking at a \$4500 cost for this project. We ask that you make this a part of your prayer time that God will supply the necessary funds for this repair.

We are beginning the push to fully promote the vision that God has placed before us of a one year residential recovery program that will be run on a ranch setting. We have produced dvd’s explaining this vision in full detail and are available for any and all who are interested. You can request one by email— bicovercomers@bicovercomers.org

or visit our YouTube Channel:

[BIC Overcomers Full Explanation](#)

This is a 16 minute video that explains the vision and shorter promos as well to view.

We will be on the road for a large portion of the Spring & Summer and are willing to share with anyone who requests.

Yoder Family News

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, Bless His Holy Name! Psalm 103:1 We had a fairly quiet winter, with a lot of activity surrounding fundraising, DVD production, staying connected with clients, year-end and year-beginning. As we are not having a spring session to concentrate on getting ready for Hope & Redemption Ranch, we are also planning some much needed family time. Josh, Abby & Paul will be here for a week in April—Paul will turn 4 while he is here. We will do our very best to not do any “work” while they are here. After they leave we will spend a day in Tucson with cousins before going to Phoenix for a graduation at Grand Canyon University for a very dear friend. That will be our 27th wedding anniversary weekend, and so we will take a little time for ourselves. We will be taking a ministry trip the month of May, but will have almost 3 weeks in Indiana with Ashli, Frank, Joey and Shaun as well as Kayla. Ralph has yet to meet our youngest grandson Shaun, and so we want to have some time to spend with them. We will take Kayla out to PA over Memorial Day weekend to visit with Mom as well as Darrell’s two churches. Yes, our family time is usually interspersed with ministry. We will be able to spend time with Ralph’s Dad while in Indiana as well as some time with my Mom in PA. Time with our remaining parents is becoming quite precious, particularly as we live quite a distance from them. Ralph and I are doing well, other than about a 2 week period where I caught something that knocked me off my feet. We just have the normal “I’m not young anymore” aches and pains, some exacerbated by sports or childhood injuries. We are so very blessed and grateful for all that God has given us in our health, family, friends, and the privilege to serve Him here in our little corner of New Mexico. Thank you so much for your continued and unfailing support.

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.

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.

We are so very excited for the vision and path opening up before us for the future of the Overcomers as we look to transition to Hope & Redemption Ranch. We have begun the fund raising process and have been blessed with money donated and pledged towards the purchase of land in LaPlata NM. The vision is large and at times seems very overwhelming, but we have a God who is bigger than we can imagine.

God’s continued provisions in all areas for the Overcomers ministry, through the amazing generosity of you.

Prayer requests- We are in need of a couple to help with our fall program as well as couples for 2021. Please prayerfully consider pouring into the lives of men who are on the road to recovery.

Austin, from last fall, is doing amazingly well with his job, jumping through all the judicial hoops, has an apartment and is working on getting custody of his daughter back. Please keep him in prayer as he wrestles with the system to regain custody of his beautiful little girl. Keep Tim, also from last fall, in prayer as he works on volunteer/community service. Pray that he stays focused on his recovery and is able to find a job.

Please pray for Nate who has made some decisions that are counter-productive to the doors God has opened in his life.

Pray for our staff as we work on fundraising, community awareness, denominational awareness, and spreading the word about what God is doing here. Pray that the DVD’s that have been mailed will bring forth the necessary funding for the purchase of property for the Ranch. Pray that the ministry building we are looking at in Farmington would become a reality, available for use by all BIC ministries in our area.

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