

BJC Overcomers

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



Greetings from the high desert.

We have come to the end of another session here at the Overcomers and it has been an amazing time walking with these three men Nate, Matt, & Ryan. They came together as a unit quicker than any group we had before. It truly became a family and God worked some amazing things out as we journeyed together.

worked very hard and not only graduated the program but also obtained his GED by the end of the program. We helped Nate to realize his calling and passion and he will continue working with us and begin college to get a degree in counseling. Matt came to us after suffering tremendous losses and we were able to help him in the healing process and reconnect with his family. We have high hopes for all three and look forward to continuing the journey with them all.

We were again part of the stand down and were able to give out care packages and information to over 150 homeless men and women in our area. If you would like to help in this we are in need of

hats, gloves, and socks. We were also invited to participate in the first annual charity expo and were able to make some good connections in the community with other non-profits and also potential donors.

Dave also came out this session and we all enjoyed the final week of fun. We went out on the lake at Navajo Dam thanks to a donation from a gentleman from MBIC. We also enjoyed time together and bonding at the local bowling alley. Dave has been a blessing to many men over the pass several years as he comes out the final week to build relationships with the men participating in many different activities.



Ryan was the first client we had that grasped the opportunity and



Thank you all for your continued support. May God bless you and keep you.

The Overcomers Staff

Bulletin Board

We are excited to have Jonathan Maracle coming at the beginning of next year for a concert. It is being sponsored by both the Overcomers and Broken Walls Fellowship as an outreach into the community. We would be truly grateful to any who would be willing to donate to the cost. We are eager to see what God does with this opportunity to spread His message of hope and redemption.

JONATHAN MARACLE

Free Concert

Date: **January 13**
 Time: **7:00 P.M.**
 Location: **Brooks Isham Performing Arts
 550 CR 6100 - Kirtland NM**
 Info at: **505-716-8070**

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Yoder Family News

A new commandment I give you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. John 13:34

This has been a challenging and blessed season for Ralph and I. We have been so blessed by the men in this session. Their open hearts and minds, giving caring natures, and the wonderful relationships we have built with them. The first week of this session I had some major dental procedures that took me out of commission for a time, and has proven to be a little more challenging than I anticipated. Perseverance and time have brought healing and a level of comfort. Ralph continues to deal with back issues from an injury many years ago, but God continues to give him comfort and the ability to handle it all. We will be traveling to OH, PA, IN, IA, and KS during the months of Dec. and Jan., visiting with friends, family, and supporters of the Overcomers—also making new contacts and friends as we go. We will be able to spend some time with Mom in PA and Ralph's parents in Goshen. This also gives us the wonderful opportunity to be with Kayla, Ashli, Frank, and top on our list—our oldest grandson Joey, during Christmas. We have been so blessed to be able to be with family during our various travels throughout the year, despite the distance between us all. Technology has help us tremendously, staying in touch with family and connecting with our grandsons regularly. Once again, thank you all so much for your continued and unfailing support of where God has us doing His work for His honor and glory. We could not do this without you all. Ralph and Bonnie

Prayer Requests and Praises

PRAISES

The amazing staff that God has brought together for His ministry. Joan joined us earlier this year, helping in the kitchen, but now moving on to grant writing. We have another couple who will join us fill time in the fall of 2018.

We have our first client who has pursued and completed his GED. We have another client who is moving forward with his pursuit of a degree in psychology.

We were able to meet and hand out 125 bags of help at the homeless veterans stand down. We ran out 2 hours before it was over—so we are planning for more packages next year.

We had the privilege of participating in the first community non-profit expo, bringing area business' and non-profits together.

Jonathan Maracle of Broken Walls will be with us for a concert in 2018.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep Ryan, Matt, and Nate lifted in prayer as they move forward into the next step of their lives. Pray they stay connected with positive relationships, focused on their walk with the Creator.

Pray for physical healing for several of our staff, one facing surgery. 3 of our staff will be traveling in Dec. & Jan. Pray for traveling mercies as well as financial provision. Pray that we find open hearts and minds as we share about what God is doing here with His ministry.

Several of our former clients—Stan, Clyde, Ryan and Chris— are facing some real hard setbacks. Keep them in prayer as they strive to stay focused on recovery. We are blessed that they are still in contact with us. Pray that we are able to help them with wisdom, love, and care.

Pray for our continual move forward toward the vision before us for the future of the Overcomers.

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