



Joy Ranch

A Christian Home for Children

60 Years (1961-2021)
providing God's love to children

LIFE of FAITH

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March 2021 - Celebrating 60 Years!

Since our work began in 1957, God has truly blessed and amazed us at Joy Ranch through people and organizations like YOU! We are celebrating sixty years of providing God's love to children this year as our first children arrived on March 23, 1961. Just as the April 1961 newsletter stated, "Joy Ranch has been established by God through a large family of friends. Regardless of denomination we all have worked together to build a fold for 'lost lambs' and now God is allowing us the fruit of our labour."

At that time, some of our greatest needs were a refrigerator, freezer, and other necessities. In that same newsletter, we acknowledged that God knew our needs - He did then and He still knows today! He has always provided and if we hold true to doing His will, He will continue to provide and bless.

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Joy Ranch Door Open To Children

Children Are Being Received At The Home



JOY RANCH IS NOW IN OPERATION! Precious, worthy children who need a home are being received and cared for. Boys and girls that you would want to see "have a chance in life" are being taken in and given the security of home. And we are trying by the grace and help of the Lord to train them for Him.

Pray For

A large refrigerator
Deep freeze
Recreational equipment
Funds for operation

we all have worked together to build a fold for "lost lambs" and now God is allowing us the fruit of our labour.

This is the day to rise with greater strength. If you were with us - just for an hour - you would see how much the children need you. You would understand how much, even the little things mean to a needy child. Your heart would respond.

"In due season we shall reap, if we faint not." It would be so easy to faint. There are several large bills coming due soon. There are the urgent needs of a refrigerator, freezer and other necessities yet to be met. With an increasing number of children comes the increasing need of funds. We cannot tell you of all our needs. God knows. But "we look, not at the things seen, but at the things which are not seen" - the crowning day, the promised reward and the glory of Christ.

This is the day of "greater things" at Joy Ranch, a day to show the power of Christ. As the world becomes more materialistic, more doubtful, more black with sin, let us press forward in fullness of faith. Let us lift our eyes to the horizons where we see youngsters at the crossroads of life, turned in the right direction and young lives headed for confusion and chaos brought under the peace and love of God in Christ.

this ministry to needy boys and girls. There is nothing impossible here at the Ranch, under the blessing of God, if friends unite prayerfully for the benefit of children who need help from someone. We invite you to participate in one or more of the "ways to help" with this Children's Home.

Our children need you for a friend. Will you help us?

Subscription Campaign Begins

The yearly Subscription Campaign for LIFE OF FAITH begins now with an EXTRA SPECIAL OFFER to the friends of the Home. During the campaign you may obtain as many subscriptions as you wish at HALF PRICE. Yes, your gift subscriptions will cost you only fifty cents (per subscription). At your command this Christian publication will speed on its way into the home where you choose to use it as a witness for Christ and as a means of interesting others in this Home for Children.

We believe, with your help, the circulation of Life of Faith can be doubled. Will you avail yourself of this opportunity to serve the Lord?

If we work on marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal souls, if we imbue them with principles, with the just fear of the Creator and love of fellow men, we engrave on those tablets something

Unto The Least of These

Look with us at the children who will be given a home at Joy Ranch.

Each will have his own case history. Each will have his own special problems. Serious problems. But all will bear an identical load. Each will be a bewildered, frightened young human being who has found himself caught in a web of tragic circumstances for which he is not responsible. All will need help.

There will be brothers and sisters able to stay together at Joy Ranch, even though they have been deserted by parents. There will be the lonely child so confused and disturbed by what has happened to him that he cannot be placed for adoption. He is temporarily incapable of becoming part of another family.

Then (perhaps his case is saddest of all) there will be room for the child who has already experienced many placements among relatives and foster homes. He knows no security. He has been moved from



"I am sending \$1.00 for the paper. I wish I could send more for I know just what Joy Ranch will mean to children. I am 76 years old and have raised two girls that had no home. I am happy to say that they both have nice homes of their own and are good mothers and go to church and take their families with them . . ."

Fries, Va.

"Please find enclosed one dollar for this month. I did enjoy your radio program so much Monday, WPAQ, Mt. Airy, N. C. at 9:30 A. M. I can't get out . . ."

Stuart, Va.

"I've just finished reading Life of Faith, and it was such an inspiration. I am so glad the work is growing and pray that it continues. . ."

Mt. Airy, N. C.

"I do love your paper and (radio) program so much. I want to help on Joy Ranch. Am very poorly. Do pray for me that I may help and live to see children in the home.

Galax, Va.