

chestnut mountain ranch
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*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation;
the old has gone, the new has come.*

2 Corinthians 5:17

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VIEW FROM THE MOUNTAIN



Dear Ranch Family,

I pray that you have a wonderful Christmas season with your family and friends. My hope is that you will find peace in the One who is called Wonderful Counselor,

The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. These names given to Jesus were written in the book of Isaiah in the 8th century B.C., some 750 years before Christ was born. Isaiah further describes the coming of Christ with the words, "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder." Isaiah 9:6.

This powerful prophecy changed the world. The Son of God came among us for one reason: to save you and to save me. He was the sacrificial lamb for all of us that believe in His name. He overcame death and set things in motion that shaped our world as we know it. Eleven young guys went into hiding when Jesus hung on the cross. They thought they would be next. It was a brutal death and what they saw scared them. A few days later, something happened that radically changed this small group of men. They witnessed a risen Jesus. He spent time with them, ate with them, showed them His scars from death, and gave them a prophetic message. Jesus wanted these men to go and spread the good news that all who call on His name will be saved. He also wanted them to know that He would one day return. This was their hope and this is our hope today.

I pray that you will come to know this same Jesus. He can change your life like He changed mine. He can be the One that takes you from fear to a life of courage and joy. He can set your path straight and give you a clear purpose for the remainder of your days.

Thank you for being a part of Chestnut Mountain Ranch and have a Merry Christmas!

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Finn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Executive Director

My family and I were struggling. I was disrespectful, unwilling to learn, and afraid to ask for help. I needed more than just my family to make things work again. When I first toured the Ranch, I did not want to go. I came to the Ranch on my birthday and it seemed like the worst thing ever. Now I realize it was the best “present” God could have given me. My first few months I was trying to be perfect; it didn’t work out. Five months into the Ranch I moved houses. This was when real change happened. I accepted Christ on February 3, 2023. I was tired of being alone, and decided that Christ was my only option. It took me a while to do it, but God made His plan and it ended with me being saved. I have had adventures since arriving at the Ranch. We went to Wyoming, a big summer camp in North Carolina, and I recently got my first buck. God has helped me so much and worked in my life a lot. Now I can talk to people without being afraid and tell them the truth without immediately going to a lie. Most of all, God and the Ranch staff have reunited my family. It now feels like I have a family...a bigger, better, family that is pursuing God. The Ranch has done so much in my life and has made me a better man.



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The reason my family went to the Ranch was because we couldn’t sit in the room together without arguing. We were struggling with communicating and I was using drugs, being disrespectful, and disobedient. The Ranch has taught me how to respect adults and authority. My family has learned to talk about how we feel and interact in a respectful manner. Since I have been at the Ranch, I was able to go on a trip to Wyoming and while there I was able to horseback ride, hike, and fly fish. While at Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters, I was able to go whitewater rafting for the first time. I have also learned about Christ and His love for me. On July 27, 2023, I came to Christ that day, and I placed my trust and life with Him. The reason I came to Christ was that I felt alone, unhappy, and dissatisfied with myself. I know God has great things ahead for me.



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