

# FREEDOM GATES BOYS RANCH ~ *Opening the gates to freedom*

*17 "... where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."*

2 Cor 3:17 (NIV)



*By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches. Proverbs 24:3-4 (ESV)*

God continues to bless this ministry. With the remodeling of the "school house" for a 2nd residence, an afternoon was planned for a dedication of this property. The "school house", as most of us know it, has been dedicated as "The Blake House" in honor of our Founders, Dennis and Nancy Blake. Their love for helping young boys to know Christ and ??? Has shone through everything they do. What a blessing to know them!



It was a great October afternoon listening to the boys' testimonies, good food, great music from Barry Ward and watching as Christ works in the lives of the boys. Three boys accepted Christ were baptized on our grounds under the cross. WHAT A praise and fun time.



*<sup>8</sup> God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Ephesians 2:8 (NLT)*

*<sup>26</sup> For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>27</sup> And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you. Galatians 3:26-29 (NLT)*

**"True faith means holding nothing back. It means putting every hope in God's fidelity to His Promises."**

— Francis Chan

From our President

### **Meet the New Members of our Team** **Jonathan & Kathrine Newton**

joined FGBR in January of this year. We are excited to have them and thank God for sending these special people our way.



When the opportunity arose to join Freedom Gates Boy Ranch, it was an unexpected answer to prayer. We were discussing and praying about the next step in ministry and the workforce, and

FGBR gave us the chance to combine both things in a way we both enjoy: working with kids while sharing God's love and furthering the gospel. However, not wanting to rush into anything, we took a month to pray and weigh our options to make sure it was God's will for our lives at this time. We believe it is God's will for us and we look forward to growing spiritually with the other staff and the boys we get to inspire, love, and care for while we are here.



### **Upcoming Events**

It's time to start planning those "fun" times  we all had before everything got crazy.....

#### **Appreciation Dinner and Live Auction**

WHEN — July 10th  
Burgers at 5:00 pm  
Auction at 6:00 pm



#### **The fall Dinner & Concert**

Featuring  **Barry Ward**



WHEN—November 6th  
Dinner at 5:00 pm  
Concert at 6:00 pm

MORE DETAILS TO COME!!!



*We are created for community, fashioned for fellowship, and formed for a family, and none of us can fulfill God's purposes by ourselves.*

*Rick Warren*

## BRINGING SCHOOL ON-CAMPUS

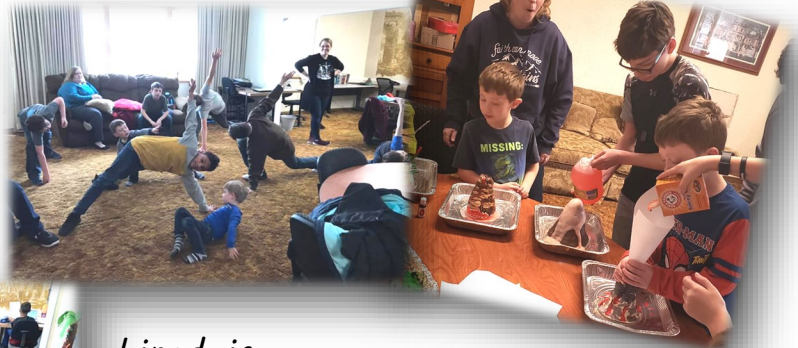
*When was the last time you had to put together your own desk for school?*

*The boys at FGBR put together their desks and chairs as we brought*

*school on-campus in August 2020. Two rooms of the Blake House have become classrooms for this school year.*



*We then discovered that the teacher we*



*hired is very creative and requires discipline in her class room.*

*Does any of this look like fun to you?*

*"The children are our future. Teach them well and let them lead the way. Show them all the beauty they possess inside." – Whitney Houston*

*And let's don't forget about lunch time. With a total of 10 boys and 3-6 adults on any one day, the ladies have become better and more creative at cooking for a "larger family". Can you imagine the size of casserole dishes you might need?*



*We then we have the shop area that the boys will be using as we continue to work on the different trade skills while doing repairs on the grounds.*



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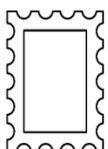
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