



Wild Horse Ministries

Year-End Newsletter & Christmas Greetings



"As for me and my horse we will ride for the Lord."

"Count ME in! I'M ridin' for the LORD!"

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Christmas Blessings from Our Outfit to Yours and we hope you've got a BIG loop ready to catch a Howdy Happy New Year too!!



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THE LOCKSMITH AND HIS SECRET

Written by Lenora Daily Schopp

There was a hush in the room that made the sounds coming from the safe magnified so loud you could hear it across town. My horse Charlie was tied to the hitching post out front and with every turn of the knob, his ear twitched and it seemed he leaned closer toward the window as if caught up in the anticipation that was so thick in the back room at Dodge City Bank. Click, click click, click click. And then out swung the door.

The occupants in the room all gasped and rushed in closer to see what this old safe had been hiding for years. It was one of the smaller safes that were rented for personal use by a few of the townspeople. The deceased elderly couple who rented this one had chosen to leave their grandsons inheritance in this safe until Christmas his 21st year.

Crazy as it seemed, they had thrown away the key but had given instructions to call on a specific locksmith from a few towns over to crack the safe for the young man. This very locksmith then reached into the musty hole and pulled out an old worn out Bible and handed it to the young man.

He took it and thought, "Was this really all that was in here this whole time? No stacks of money, no fancy guns, no wealthy bonds?" Oh, but wait, there is a note with my name on it. Maybe my grandparents have written where to find my inheritance. Ummm, but I don't think I understand what it says though. It tells me that I am to ask you how you were able to crack the safe. No disrespect sir, but what does that matter? With a reassuring grin, the old man told him to have a seat and then he proceeded on to tell about a man named Jesus.

As he began, he told of how Jesus' mother, Mary, pondered things in her heart in which I reckon she did some praying for her son, the Savior, Christ the Lord. Story after story of this Jesus from beginning of his childhood to the end of His life on earth just flowed from the locksmith's lips with such truth and surety that the young man was soon lost to the rest of the world around him.

He noticed one thing that was said over and over again and that was that Jesus prayed. He prayed before choosing the twelve disciples and on the Mount of Transfiguration. Many times in scripture it was said He prayed. In the Garden of Gethsemane, He prayed in anguish that this cup would pass from Him. The young man was wondering what kinda cup this was, but before he could ask the question, his answer came as he heard the story of Jesus hanging on the cross and dying for his sins, but even as he did, he was praying.

The locksmith went on to say that there were many accounts of others praying in the Bible like the woman who was sick with an issue of blood. She probably never said a word out loud, but her heart was in a prayerful state and she knew that one touch of the Masters' garment would make a change in her life. There were thousands of people crowded around Jesus, yet He asked the question, "Who touched me?"

He felt the woman's heart of true fervent prayer and belief in Him. Because she had chosen to make her heart sensitive for Jesus Christ, He was ever so sensitive to feel her touch and hear her silent cry.

You see son, let me tell you like this. The reason I was able to crack that safe and no one else could was with lots of practice of course, but I also have filed my fingertips so that not even a fingerprint is left on my fingers. This causes my fingertips to be so sensitive that I can place these old fingers and press them up by the dial and I can feel the gears moving and everything fall into place when I hit the right number, the right click. This has unlocked many doors that swung open to reveal many treasures.

But sonny, let me tell you something more valuable than most anything else that I've learned. The time spent in prayer, talking to my Savior, listening to the Holy Spirit, has softened my heart and therefore helped me to unlock many valuable things in my life that are far worth more than any monetary value.

I've been looking forward to this day ever since your grandparents asked me to do this for them. I realize that you may have been looking for a saddlebag full of money for Christmas but what your grandparents have left you is far greater and will keep you in the saddle when life goes to buckin' with ya. That is if you choose to accept it and make prayer and this Bible a vital part of your life.

Now I, Lenora, ask you this Christmas Season if you have chosen to GIVE the gift of yourself to Christ. He has already given ALL of Himself for you. Maybe you need to do a little filing on your heart with sincere prayer so you can be sensitive to what God is saying. Maybe so to find the wonderful things that God has stored up for you, but they need to be cracked open with prayer to find what is in store.

(My story was greatly inspired by my conversations with a Godly man whom we all love dearly, Bro Dick DeBusk. It's printed here in memory of 'Uncle' Bob Goodner who left an amazing Godly legacy for his family and who has impacted a great number of cowboys & cowgirls all over. Because of his desire for the world to have The Word, there will be thousands upon thousands of bibles spread all over in his memory.)

SOME OF OUR 2019 BLESSINGS & HAPPENINGS

- The Northwest tour was July 12 - 19 and included 29 demo's!
- The Northeast tour was Sept. 21 - Oct. 26 and included 27 demo's!
- Dan graduated flight attendant school May 17th. He was based out of Chicago but is now in Miami. We are so proud of him!
- Solomon LeDoux Schopp was born June 5th. He's a cute cowboy and his big brother, as well as the rest of us, are so proud of him too!
- We had three days of worship and revival during our Brush Arbor meetings May 30, 31 and June 1st!
- Although we haven't had as many as last year, we are still showing drive-in movies in our pasture!
- We had a youth group from Grayson, La. come for a day of fun in March and a group from Falkville, Al. came in November for a Father-Son retreat!
- We are so thankful that Grace and Tanner Wikstrom from Minnesota went on the Northwest tour to help out!
- God provided a motorhome that was donated to the ministry by Bob & Barbara Gregory just in time for Grace and Tanner to bring on the Northwest tour. It has been a blessing in many other ways since then and will continue to be used for the Lord!
- Cowboys and cowgirls from all over the country came to our Cowboy Challenge on Nov. 15, 16, and 17. It was a fun time but also a challenging time as well, as skills were definitely tested. Most importantly, we were all encouraged and challenged in our services each night and Sunday morning to grow closer to the Lord!
- The fence around the new property is up and it sure is wonderful!
- Paul took a small flatbed trailer that had been donated by Jack Zeagler and made a portable cook wagon for Momma & all who help with the cooking for various events around the Outfit. It is handy to be able to move it to different locations as needed!
- Thanks to all who purchased banners to help support the Wild Horse Ministries for our activities!

PAUL'S PONDERINGS...

John 15:4 "Abide in me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself..."

As we come to a close for the year 2019, we take a moment to look back on all that has happened. There is an old saying, "When you come to a crossroads or new chapter in your life and are questioning which way to go, just look backwards at where you have come from and if you are confident at what you see, then continue on the same path that you're on. If doubtful then it is time to alter your journey."

The way I see it, the completed circle of a year is not the end but the point of a new beginning. Only you yourself can answer the question, "Am I bearing MUCH FRUIT for the Kingdom of God?" Press on! Don't quit! Victory is ours through Christ Jesus! ALL thanks to the Lord God Almighty!

Ridin' for HIM! Cowboy for Christ Paul Daily

FACTS & FIGURES

- Wild Horse Ministries has been blessed to go into 18 states this year: AL, AR, FL, GA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MO, MS, ND, NE, NM, OK, SD, TX, & WY.
- We have two more demos in Clinton, LA and Grannis, AR to present for 2019.
- We have currently completed 101 demos and will have a total of 103 demos for 2019 after we visit these folks.
- Our total attendance thus far through the 101 demos is 12,446.
- Our fuel and travel expenses thus far are \$29,205.62. Praise the Lord for providing what we needed to travel and for His hand of protection upon us as we traveled!
- Our last Bible order was delivered 11-21-18. The total cost was \$16,123.70. Thanks to all who donated to the Bible fund and making it possible for the bill to be paid in full on 10-29-19. To God be the Glory!! His Word is spread abroad in all the states! (All Bibles are given out for free.)



We are so THANKFUL for all of your prayers, donations, support, time and encouragement through text, mail, phone calls and when we see each of you!