

Broken Arrow Youth Ranch

Helping youth love God, love themselves and love others. Helping families heal and grow.

2025 WINTER NEWSLETTER

Dear Broken Arrow Ranch Family,

Just in the new year I read a devotional entitled, "2025 a Year of Despair or Hope?" I found myself immediately reflecting upon 2024 and could recall many hardships, challenges, failures and losses. I know that many of you, our beloved family, have endured such things this past year. Our thoughts, tears, and prayers have been with you. Yet I can also bring to mind many, many blessings, miracles, and victories that God brought in 2024 (James 1:17).

As for 2025 being a year of despair or hope, I believe it will rest entirely upon our perspective and where we choose to focus our gaze. If we choose to focus on the "What?" our circumstances, our own abilities and resources, etc...it will be easy to despair. However, if we choose to focus our hearts upon "Who?", upon the Christ of Christmas and the cross, THEN we will remain filled with hope no matter what 2025 brings! Psalm 93 reminds us: **"The Lord reigns, He is robed in majesty..."** God is still very much on His throne and in ultimate control of His universe. Jesus reminds us:

"In this world you will have trouble.

But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33).

So let us, together, choose to make 2025 a year of great HOPE as we make GOD our refuge and strength (Psalm 46), experiencing His peace that surpasses all understanding and keeping our eyes fixed upon "the ONE" who began and will complete our faith (Hebrews 12:1-2). "May He, the GOD of all hope fill each of you with all joy and peace as you trust in HIM, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit throughout 2025!"

Todd Moroz, Ranch CEO

We Welcome Brook Murphy to Our Ranch Staff!



Hello, my name is Brook! I'm new to the Broken Arrow Youth Ranch family but I'm loving it! Ministering to youth has been a passion of mine for years now. At 13 years old, I read *The Cross* and *the Switchblade* and ever since then I wanted to show the world the love of Jesus. In September, I told the Lord that I'd pick up my cross daily and follow Him to the ends of the earth no matter the cost.

In November I met Rick Aupperle. About 5-10 minutes after meeting him, he asked me if I wanted to work on a ranch ministering to broken youth. I knew, in an instant, this was God calling me! I've been here since December 21st, 2024 and am excited to see what God has in store for all the students to come.

A Message from our Administrative Director, Lara Moroz

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace."

(Numbers 6:24-26)

Thank you all for your generous giving, encouragement, help, and prayers for this ministry. We love and appreciate each one of you.

Please make sure I have your up-to-date address information. I can be reached through email:

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the ranch landline (306) 266-2032 or you can text my cell phone (306) 640-8603.

Blessings on you all!

Lara

Gather Around the Ranch Table

With Howard & Karen Floyd, Ranch Parents



A new year is upon us! Welcome to 2025, another year of our Lord.

We want to introduce you to a new algebra formula , $3p^2$, that you can use as you begin this new year. The three “p’s” are: plan, prepare and proceed. The “p” that turns each of those into a squared equation is *prayer*.

Plan and Pray: One of the tools we teach our students at the ranch is that if you fail to plan, you plan to fail. So this year we want to encourage you to plan for this year. Design a road map that is going to help you reach your goals by including God to show you the plans for this year. Jeremiah 29:11 says, “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Verse 12, “Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.” So, *plan and pray* is the first p^2 .

Prepare and Pray: Now that you have the outline in place for the year it is time to make preparations. What is it that needs to happen in order for the plans you just made to be ready to put into action? Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Part of the preparation for this year is preparing your heart to receive the peace of God that guards our hearts and our minds. *Prepare and pray* is the second p^2 .

Proceed and Pray: Now it is time for action. The plans are set, you are prepared, now it is time to proceed. Don’t walk alone! Psalm 119: 105 reminds us that “Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path. Proceed on God’s paths, let Him light the way for you. Stay in communication with Him through prayer. *Proceed and pray* is the third p^2 to get you through 2025.

One other bonus you receive for using this new algebra formula is that you will now be able to say, perhaps for the first time in your life, that you used algebra 365 times this year. No matter how old we get, it’s important that we stay in school.

In Him,

Howard and Karen Floyd

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday April 5th

Broken Arrow Classic Meal in Estevan, SK.

Sunday, August 3rd, 2025

Southern Prairie Railway – Train rides and tours in Ogema, Saskatchewan. On Sunday, August 3, 2025 we will be hosting two train rides as a fundraiser for Broken Arrow Youth Ranch. Keep your eyes open for more information to come!

Fall 2025

3rd Annual Run the Ranch
We will be hosting the run this year in the fall. Stay tuned for the date!

December 2025

Two Rory Allen shows. Locations and dates will be announced soon!

Also watch for dates for our Bethlehem Live!



WINTER-TIME TEAM-WORK



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