

Bull Creek Cowboy Church Sunday March 2, 2008
Living for the one who branded us.....JESUS!!!

What a blessed Sunday service we had this week! Pastor Mike was out of town at a cowboy church meeting but youth minister Oliver Mowat stepped up again and delivered a powerful message about being warriors for the Lord....about being just “lukewarm” and not really prepared for what we need to do. Matt.16:24 (NIV) says “If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”

The band and singers and the congregation sang some old favorites and some specials that fit right in with the message of the sermon. Music and singing is such an important part of our worship.

Our praise and prayer time was an emotional time with the many tragedies in our community this week. Our heartfelt thoughts our prayers go out to all the families involved. Sometimes ONLY our faith can get us through difficult times.

Our service ended with the baptism of two of our youth which was such a blessing to witness. All of the kids from children’s church came in to be part of the celebration. Our children’s church is wonderful and in the face of this week’s tragedies it makes us feel so blessed to have the leadership we have for the little ones to guide them in the right direction.

Sunday evening was the Young Adult Fear Factor and our monthly “Shoot the Bull” dinner. There’s always plenty of good grub (even enough for Chan) and most of all good Christian fellowship which so important to have when you’re living for the Lord.

The women’s Bible study will be studying “Women of the Bible” on Monday nights. Join them at 7:00pm at the youth barn. The next monthly fellowship will be April 5 from 6-9--location to be announced later. Mark your calendars now for the next ladies spring retreat on April 11 & 12 at Cleek Retreat--details later. There is also a young mom’s luncheon planned for May 8 to honor them. Ladies also don’t forget to turn in or email your recipes for the 2nd Bull Creek Cowboy Church cookbook. The ladies are busy!!

The children’s ministry needs your help for B3C’s annual Easter egg hunt on March 23. They need 10,000 candy-filled eggs. That sounds like a lot until you see how many kids we have! This is fun for them as well as the adults. It fills our hearts with joy to see the little ones celebrate Jesus! If you bring eggs they are asking for non-chocolate and for you to tape the plastic eggs at the seam.

Pastor Mike has his Round Pen Bible study on Wednesday evenings at 6:00. This is a very relaxed, informative, discussion study that will enrich your knowledge and faith. Come and join us.

Don’t forget Celebrate Recovery meets every Friday night at 7:00. If you have hurts, hangups or habits that you need help with, come and see what this Christ-centered 12 step program can do for you that you can’t do for yourself. Come and join us if you have something to share that you think would benefit others. Also, the CR step studies are in progress on Tuesday nights at 7:00.

Hope you all have a wonderful, blessed week! Join us at Bull Creek if you’re looking for home or just want to visit. We’ll do our best to make you feel welcome. Remember it does not matter what happens to us but what happens in us.

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