

Trailblazer

Keeping in touch, seeking your prayer and involvement.

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One Day

For sixteen summers from 1989 to 2004, we held camps in Flagstaff, Arizona, and *one day* we will do so again in Williams at our new camp site. Engineering is going on this month to help us get to that goal. In the meantime, we are staying busy in camping ministry through the daily schedule of the Bill Rice Ranch, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

We always enjoy the opportunity to serve, not only for the Ranch, but at the Ranch. Besides some preaching duties, there is plenty more work to be done, and we are glad to contribute.



For instance, as I write this, today's schedule comes to mind. I started the day leading teen guys in their morning devotion time. After breakfast, I had a part in the daily church counselor meeting by doing a skit of sorts and giving instructions on this week's public invitations in the three camp programs going on—teen, junior, and deaf.

After that I attended the morning teen service

and got some office work done before lunch.

This afternoon I head out to help at the Out-

back Obstacle Course before being part of the program at the *Wild Frontier Barbecue and Western Show*—rootin' tootin' good barbecue grub and comedy to boot! Not long after that I will be preaching to about 215 junior boys and girls. After that service is done, I will slip into the teen service to help in the invitation.

Take that schedule and multiply it by more than
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Ongoing Ministry

- Summer Camps
Bill Rice Ranch
June-July
- Arizona Youth Challenge
July 3– September 3

Please be in prayer for the third annual Arizona Youth Challenge. This nine-week contest began July 3. Thirteen Arizona youth groups are competing for a private retreat this fall and several other prizes. They earn points by attending church, bringing visitors, distributing tracts, memorizing scripture, and reading their Bibles.

Please pray for:

1. *Effective ministry in summer camps*
2. *Significant help to local churches through the Arizona Youth Challenge*
3. *Sale of a home by a family in western Tennessee wanting to serve at West Branch. This would free us up for more travel*
4. *Work on our site plan and sanitation engineering*

Praying for West Branch Development

We thank the Lord for many people who pray regularly for the development of the new West Branch facility. We believe in specific prayer, so here are two things you could ask God for on our behalf.

Our engineer is giving

much time in July and August to complete our site plan modifications and the engineering plans. Coupled with the water plans already completed, this information will help us gather legitimate cost estimates. These estimates will help us know how much money

is needed to complete this infrastructure.

Our other greatest need currently is an architect who could finish up some work already begun by a dear man who has since gone home to be with the Lord.

What's A 2011 Trailblazer?

2011 **Trailblazers** are churches that have been a **special blessing** to West Branch in 2010 specifically through one or more of the following:

1. Attending 2+ events
2. Attending 1+ event and having a WB evangelist preach in their church
3. Supporting WB (or Carlsons specifically) regularly
4. Hosting an event (2010 or 2011)

West Branch on the Move Schedule

- **Arizona Youth Challenge**
various churches in Arizona July 3-September 3
- **Arizona Regional Youth Conference**
Peoria, AZ September 10
- **Rocky Mountain Men on the Move Conference**
Fort Collins, CO October 21-22
- **Arizona Regional Conference on Marriage & the Home**
Phoenix, AZ February 24-25, 2012
- **Southwest Regional Men on the Move Conference**
Williams, AZ March 16-17, 2012

Rocky Mountain
Regional
Men on the Move



Contacts in the Rockies?

One blessing of **West Branch on the Move** has been the broadening of our ministry into new locations where we had little contact before. One such area is the Northern Rockies. In October we will hold the fourth annual Rocky Mountain Regional **Men on the Move** Conference in Fort Collins, Colorado. We have drawn men in-state as well as from Wyoming, Nebraska, and New Mexico. Do you have friends in that area (or western Kansas) that we could inform about this year's event? Whether you know of individual men or pastors and churches, we would love to get them some information on this event. Please email us at westbranch@billriceranch.org with any contact suggestions.

Thanks!

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one hundred other permanent and summer staff members, and you have the Bill Rice Ranch summer camps!

Of course, ministry is not all about the schedule, it is about the people that we are privileged to help. *One day*, we will see folks in Heaven who were saved at the Bill Rice Ranch this summer. To date, that has been approximately one hundred souls. *One day*, some of these teens will be bringing groups back to camp to hear the same preaching that changed their lives. I know that is true because there is a pastor doing that very thing

this week. He gave his life to the Lord here at the Ranch years ago under a particular preacher's ministry and now, years later, has brought his youth group to the Ranch to hear the same preacher.

So today's schedule is only *one day*, but it will, by God's grace, lead to seeing many good things *one day* down the road.

One day, West Branch will be conducting summer camps again. This



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summer only whets our appetite for that. So, please pray for the rest of our summer and pray for the engineering work being done right now. Both are important for *one day*!