



The best “last chance”
some kids will ever have

The Ranch Program at Salem encompasses troubled teens with an environment of biblical truth. Structure, discipline, accountability, and teaching promote spiritual, emotional, intellectual, social, and physical development. Daily chores centered on the care of horses are woven into a schedule of diligent education to build values and integrity. We make decisions knowing that God has provided everything necessary for individuals through His Word. We teach that we should seek to know Him and to live in a way that is pleasing to Him. Salem is licensed by the state and provides additional clinical services to foster change.

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'Round the Campfire

CATCH UP WITH THE NEWS FROM SALEM RANCH

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Before I went to Salem my life was a mess. I stole from my family and was a disrespectful person. I was not a Christian at the time and hid a lot of things inside my heart and from my family. I always caused trouble at school and never paid much attention to my education. Almost everybody either thought I was



Salem Ranch success story Dave Bus

weird or hated me. My life was a total mess.

Then on January 7, 2005, my Dad and my youth pastor brought me to Salem Ranch. At first I didn't want to go, but I finally went. During my stay I learned lots of things—like respect, social skills, and family issues. It seems like every problem I had at home was fixed, but it wasn't very easy. I got mad


at the other boys and staff, but there was always somebody to talk to. One time when I was really mad Steve said, “David, it's just another hole in the road. Your car hasn't crashed yet.” I always remember that.

When I got home people all around me said I had changed. Salem changed my life forever. Without Salem I would not be where I am today. I have more friends from the church, and everybody knows me as a better person. I think that while you are there you grow to like the Ranch so much that when a boy is ready to leave he doesn't really want to.

The teaching at Salem helped me understand Jesus, and when I came home I became a Christian.

November dinner celebration will give many a chance to hear miraculous stories

There are young men at Salem Ranch that have been miraculously transformed. We want you to meet them and hear their stories. Dave is only one in a long line of changed lives at Salem. God truly is at work!



The Miracle of Salem Ranch

Nov. 10, 6:30 p.m.
Northwoods Church
Peoria, Illinois

To celebrate what God has done in the lives of these young men, Salem Ranch will host a dinner party at 6:30 p.m., November 10, at Northwoods Church in Peoria, Illinois. We'd like you to be the guest of honor. We will serve a free dinner and provide you to a chance to meet quality young men who, by their own admission, would be in jail or dead without the intervention of Salem.

We hope that many will attend and be encouraged by what God has done in the lives of these young men. It's easy to feel like the next generation is lost, but when you meet students from Salem, you will remember your hope for the future.

It is often the case that the boys don't want to leave Salem Ranch. They receive love and guidance and are drawn to the One who loves them most. In fact, you will meet one boy who has graduated but chooses to remain at the Ranch because he knows he will continue to grow in his faith.

Please think of someone you can invite to join us for this special evening. RSVP to Jared Lee by email at jaredlee@salemranch.com or by phone at 815-796-4561, ext. 126, no later than November 3.

In Brief

Several of the young men at Salem have recently become believers! Please pray that they will grow in their faith and not be swayed by their peers.

We are in need of a few work teams that could get some things done before winter. If you would like to help, please call Jared Lee at 815-867-2003

Mark your calendars to join us in Peoria, Illinois, on November 10 at 6:30 to hear some pretty amazing stories!

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