

Some miracle stories of Standlake Ranch

Riding School miracle arena.

It would be nice to have an outdoor arena, we had some money but not enough for the digger and sand, so I prayed if the Lord wanted us to build an arena, that He would show us, through providing sand or something. 3 Days later we were offered 16 lorry loads of sand free.

We hired the digger The digger driver called me. "There is a problem, you cannot put sand on clay, you need 16 loads of gravel first." Now that is a problem. No money for gravel. I prayed. "Follow me" At the edge of the arena I stopped, the Lord said "dig here" So I said to the driver "dig here" I don't think so he replied "I think so" I answered. "Well to prove you wrong I will dig here" the digger driver answered. He dug down 3 feet and came across beautiful gravel and began to put it on the arena.

Later the digger driver called me again. He had run out of gravel, he said "Seeing your God provided gravel for this side of the arena, lets see if He can provide gravel for the other side" "Fine." I pray and walk to the other side. "Bank" A thought comes into my mind "Try the bank" he did and found enough gravel to complete the arena.

Next problem "How can I get sand to this arena over the muddy field? The digger drivers mobile phone rings to ask him to move 60 tons of stone from Witney. He looks and says "If I can dump 60 tons of stone between this arena and your driveway, I will make you a road to this arena free of charge" "Done" He did it.

Next! Fencing. A letter arrives £1.00 off every pole and rail in closing down sale at Blenheim. I asked the digger driver if he would buy 100 posts and rails, he agreed.

He comes back with 150 posts and rails at the same price as to not have to cut the bundle open. This was enough to fence the whole arena and the road down to the arena. Even the kicking boards were bought for as little as £3.00 each, so what should have cost about £15.00 cost less than £1,000. Only God could do this.



Faith for a double storey building but God provides a triple Storey building.

A 40 bed triple storey building? I must have heard wrong! Impossible! In my lifetime anyway. Lets be realistic, so I tried to be realistic and had a 30 bed double storey building passed and sent the plans off to the steel frame company in Wales.

January 2003 the steel frame arrives and is erected. I looked up and saw it was high enough for a triple storey building. Maybe I should see if I can get it through planning for the future as a triple storey. It passed, Then building regulations, passed, now steel stress tests to see if the steel is strong enough for a third floor, it passed.

We get to work on the building and all 3 storeys are completed, the Lord has supplied sufficient money for the entire building.

Even though I only had faith for a double storey building **God still did it.** Against all odds this building has been completed, without letting our need be known, Without fund raising, without borrowing money, no mortgage. This indeed is a miracle of God who does more than we can ever think or imagine. Why has he done this "I question. Because of His great love and mercy towards His people. He loves us so very much, if only we will respond to Him, let Him into our lives as our Lord and Saviour, accept what He did for us on the cross, to set us free from sin, sickness and eternal death, to accept us as His sons and daughters.

This is the mission of this wonderful building that God has given to us, to proclaim His love and care to every camper who comes here. To show them Jesus is truly alive and loves them.

God even cares about small things

What about dining room tables and chairs? I hear about Tesco's putting in a new restaurant, I write to ask them if they would consider selling us their old tables and chairs. They write back, "come on the 28th and then you can have them as a gift to your centre"



The first camp is due to arrive, I start to put different colour sheets on the beds and then have to go out, when I get back home someone has given us 3 black bin bags full of sheets. I can now make up the beds with matching sheets and pillow cases all of the same Colours. God cares, right down to the smallest details.