



# CROSS BAR X YOUTH RANCH

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As we reflect on 2016, we are increasingly thankful for the abundant blessings and work of our Lord and Savior! Here are some of the highlights.



Camper follow up is growing as our camper follow up coordinator has put together a comprehensive plan laying out how Cross Bar X is going to effectively accomplish camper outreach throughout the offseason.



85% of the campers that attended CBX this past summer were from economically disadvantaged homes!

We were able to install a new septic system for Alpine Lodge to accommodate the growing usage of the facility.



35 year old windows tend not to seal the best. Bear Valley church from Lakewood generously provided the funding and the manpower to replace the windows on the Smalley house.



At the end of our fall girls retreat, campers were taken to church as a group, many of whom don't get the chance to attend otherwise.



12 commitments to Christ! Both new campers and returning ones!



Fantastic seasonal staff this year! We really enjoyed having two staffs who genuinely love the Lord and want to serve kids. They were the type of staff We pray for every year :)



Our male interns return for multiple seasons. Their spiritual growth is evident in the way they effectively minister to their campers.

We were able to give a camper a special one-on-one SALT program during the last week of camp. I loved watching her challenge herself. She learned about how to interpret scripture and how to serve selflessly. At the end of the week, she said it was her favorite time of ever being at CBX.



Safety during the summer and fall for campers. (excluding staff...) No trips to the emergency room!



Growing families – 3 new healthy babies born in 2016 with one more due around Christmas.

Full-time staff are able to be involved in the summer programming through teaching skills classes, leading worship, teaching Bible lessons, and leading the 23-mile Condor Expedition along the Colorado Trail.



Many local churches helped sponsor low-income campers to attend camp, including three brothers whose family had recently been abandoned by their father.



Hello Cross Bar X family,

As we come out of Thanksgiving and enter into the time of year where we celebrate the birth of our Redeemer, we are reminded of all that we have to be grateful for. Of course the thing for which we are most thankful is God’s gift of his Son and the life he offers to those of us who believe in him. We are also grateful for this past year, the ministry that God has called us to do here, and your willingness to come alongside us as we share his Gospel with the campers he brings here. This was an amazing year as we were blessed by you through your prayers, volunteer efforts, and financial support. God called many campers into his family this past summer and drew many others who already knew him even closer. This is our ultimate goal in everything we do here: to see campers come to a saving knowledge of their Savior and grow closer to him. Thank you for supporting us in this and making it possible. We are excited to share with you some of the highlights from this past year. Please enjoy, and thank you for all that you do!



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