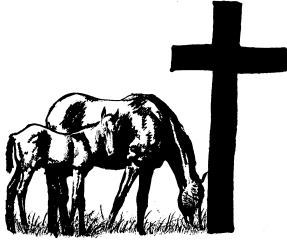


# **RETREAT PLANNING**



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Dear Group or Family Leader:

With the increasing popularity of Faith Ranch, we encourage you to make reservations 6 months to 1 year in advance. May we also recommend that you consider a winter retreat when we are less busy, winter activities can also be enjoyable, and rates are lower.

We trust that the following information will be helpful as you make your plans and reservations to come to Faith Ranch. We provide facilities, meals, and activities. You may plan your own program or our staff is available as a resource to assist you in program planning and leading activities at your request. Our staff will be responsible for riding instruction, assigning horses, trail guiding and driving hayrides, when scheduled. You are responsible for the supervision and conduct of your group during your stay.

**DEPOSITS:** A reservation form will accompany this sheet to use for indicating your plans. It should be returned with approximately 30% of the estimated total cost. A deposit is required to confirm your reservation. **Upon receipt of your reservation form, deposit, and guaranteed number, we will send you a confirmation letter. Deposits are refundable up to 3 months prior to your reservation date.** After that time deposits are non-refundable. The deposit for anyone who does not accompany your group will be forfeited.

**LODGING:** Winterized buildings include the Ranch House, Farm House, Campground Brick House, and Covenant House.

Ranch House: The Ranch House is the central location on the property, housing our offices, kitchen, and can sleep up to 56 people. It has 9 bedrooms, 6 of which have adjoining baths. There are also four "public" shower stalls. The living room also serves as a small meeting room and will seat 20. The Ranch House is also the location of our Public Riding Stables. All meals are prepared and served in this building unless you are doing your own cooking outdoors.

Farm House: The Farm House was built in 1891 and has been remodeled to accommodate up to 45 guests. The house is located approximately 2 miles from the Ranch House. The Farm House has 6 bedrooms. There are four bathrooms with a total of five showers and six toilets. The living room seats 30.

Campground Brick House: The Brick House is also a remodeled farmhouse and can sleep up to 30 guests. It is approximately 2 miles from the Ranch House. During the fall and spring you can see our 5-acre lake through the tree-lined lane. The Brick House has 3-4 bedrooms and three bathrooms with a total of five showers and five toilets. The living room seats 12.

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Covenant House: The Covenant House will sleep up to 32 guests. It is approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile from the Ranch House and many guests enjoy God's creation on their walk to breakfast. The Covenant House has a beautiful porch that cradles the front and side of the house and is great for sitting on and listening to the water babble across the rocks in a near by stream. The Covenant House has five bedrooms and four bathrooms with a total of six showers and toilets. The living room seats 12-15.

Bunkhouses: There are two (2) unheated cabins, which can sleep 10 guests each.

Haymow: The haymow is a popular choice with Ranch guests spreading their sleeping bags on the hay. The Campground Barn contains square bales "in season".

**NEW Conestoga Cabins**: We now have 2 Conestoga Cabins available that sleep 4-6 people each. They are air-conditioned in the summer and heated in the winter. You can do your own cooking or join us for meals.

You may consider a combination arrangement with some indoor lodging and some in the haymow. In order to keep our rates down and be fair, it is our policy to give the choice of location to the group, which registers first, or the group, which has at least 80% building capacity. It must be understood that groups which reserve barn lodging are not permitted the use of the dining room except for meals as other groups may have the house and dining room reserved for their lodging and activities. Guests coming to the Ranch are to bring their own sleeping bags, towels, toilet articles, etc. (Limited bedding and towels are available for speakers or other special guests unable to bring their own). Separate accommodations for guest speakers are available at an additional cost.

There is no check-in or check-out time so you are free to make your own schedule. Please be considerate of others using the Ranch during your visit.

**MEALS**: Our two dining rooms normally seat 80 and 60. If you prefer, your group can be served at a separate time from other groups. Our mealtime schedule is flexible for your convenience. You are welcome to do all or part of your own cooking out of doors. We provide fire rings, tables, and a limited supply of firewood.

**RIDING**: The riding stable is based at the Ranch House. In late spring and the fall, it is difficult to promise a specific time for riding because of the number of guests who may want to ride. First choice on riding times is usually given to the group, which registers first, and groups having an all day rate. Your wishes will be given as much consideration as possible.