

The Way

STEPS TO CHRIST

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It's been worth the wait!



Step into the World of Hope with Three Majestic Clydesdales!

Welcome to our newsletter, the very late July edition.

Before we update you on this past months unforgettable journey I want to welcome those who are new to our monthly newsletters. A big welcome and thank you for joining us and being part of this exciting life changing project.

After a long 18 months God opened the door rather suddenly on an opportunity for us to bring three of the majestic Clydesdales home to our property. It really was another miracle for us. There were a few obstacles in the way. We prayed and asked our Father in Heaven if it was His will for His horses to come home now. If so, He would need to provide the finance for transport as well as the ability for us to transport them ourselves (we required the use of a large horse float).

God answered! The funds were generously donated and after much searching a (just) big enough float was hired. The date was locked in.

Our journey south to pick them up was long but uneventful - about a fourteen hour drive. After a brief but necessary sleep, it was time for the return trip home. The horses, Marise and Hope, loaded beautifully and the first two hours of the journey were smooth. I found myself contemplating the goodness of God - He had certainly blessed. So many things could have gone against us. We were travelling well. Then out of nowhere I happened to glance over to the cars instrument panel and noticed the centre panel flashing red - it was showing the right rear tyre losing air. I pointed it out to Craig. Almost immediately he responded. "Oh no" - he could see the pressure dropping quickly. He knew we were fast approaching a flat tyre. We were on a major highway with two large horses in tow. We needed an exit immediately. Praise God we were approaching an off ramp. The exit was taken and Craig eased off to the side of the road just in time! Just seconds after stopping, the tyre was completely flat. Rain had started to fall, but we were safe and praise God the horses were calm. Thankfully the tyre was changed quickly and without difficulty.

We couldn't praise God enough for His hand of protection and the angel's watching over us. After changing the tyre, we carefully made our way to a nearby tyre centre where the puncture was repaired. In under an hour we had been able to change the flat, have it repaired and be on our way again to our overnight stopover. Just amazing!

On arrival the girls settled into their paddock nicely. We were safely at the half way point of the journey. We feed and watered them (and us) and then despite a strange location we slept soundly. It had been a big day. We awoke early and loaded the horses on the float for the final leg home. They again traveled remarkably well. So calm and happy the whole way home. Thankfully the only stops we needed were for fuel.

We made it home with daylight to spare!

The next day was another full travel day to pick up Hamish (Pictured previous page enjoying a rest in the shade).

It too went very smoothly, he also arriving with daylight to spare. Introductions were made - horsey style - over the fence in the adjacent paddock. It's always a little interesting to see how horses react to each other. But should we be surprised given the Lord chose each of them . . . they all got on famously. Now the work begins!

These magnificent creatures have not only settled in but training has begun, and they are progressing remarkably well. As we immerse ourselves in learning about their unique personalities, I'm also reminded of the importance of our individual relationships with Christ, of building trust and intimacy with Him.

Our entire ministry was founded on Matthew 11:28-30, *“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”*

This verse started our passionate desire to reach the globe with this incredible message of hope and peace. Every aspect of this ministry is a physical representation of not only WHY Jesus wants us to have a relationship with him but HOW it is achieved and WHAT the end result is - true REST, which is only found in Him. Yes, we have Found Rest and now we are sharing it.

The lessons to us just in the training of these spectacular horses cannot go unnoticed. Every intricate detail seems to have a spiritual application. God is so incredible in His attention to detail. We are understanding even more why God has put together this entire project. I wish I had better words to express just how vitally important this work is. I don't think I would have enough space to write down exactly what He has shown us. But can I just say this . . . we are living in unprecedented times - the end is near. It is a privilege for each and every one of God's chosen people - us - to put all our efforts into His work. The harvest is plentiful . . . but sadly the workers are few.

We are all called to yoke up with Christ. He promises us that His burden is light and His teachings gentle. Together, we must work in His vineyard. The world is watching what His people are doing. Let us not sit idly by thinking someone else can do the work. No, no - it's time to put all of our heart, mind, and soul into spreading the gospel message to a dying world.

Please Father, wake your sleeping church.

We are reaching out to our compassionate community for support in raising \$50,000USD to complete shelters, weatherproof day areas, and acquire essential equipment for this team of Clydesdales. Furthermore, if we can encourage - individuals, groups, or even churches to sponsor a Clydesdale, contributing \$750USD per month towards their food, farrier, and care costs, we'd be eternally grateful. Please share this need with everyone you possibly can. We know that God is wanting to do great things through His church with this entire project. Will you help?

While we continue to witness God's hand guiding us through the Steps to Christ project, we are encouraged by His daily miracles. Join us on Facebook or Instagram to follow the Clydesdales' incredible journey and witness the impact they have on spreading Christ's love. The training of these majestic creatures is happening, and they are showcasing and surprising us with their intelligence and gentle, loving nature. We are excited to share that we have named our Clydesdale program and location. Clydeascope Park!

(Clyde-a-scope Park) (See Website for the links.)

Your prayers and financial support are invaluable as we embark on this monumental task. Together, as God's children, we can make a difference and bring this great work to its climactic end! Let us stand united in faith, knowing that He who began this work will see it through to completion.

May abundant blessings overflow in your lives as you generously support these projects and help us spread hope and love to all.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Nicole

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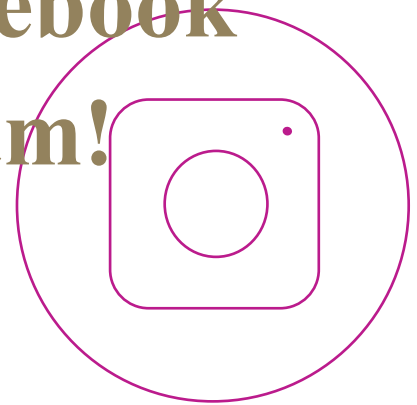
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