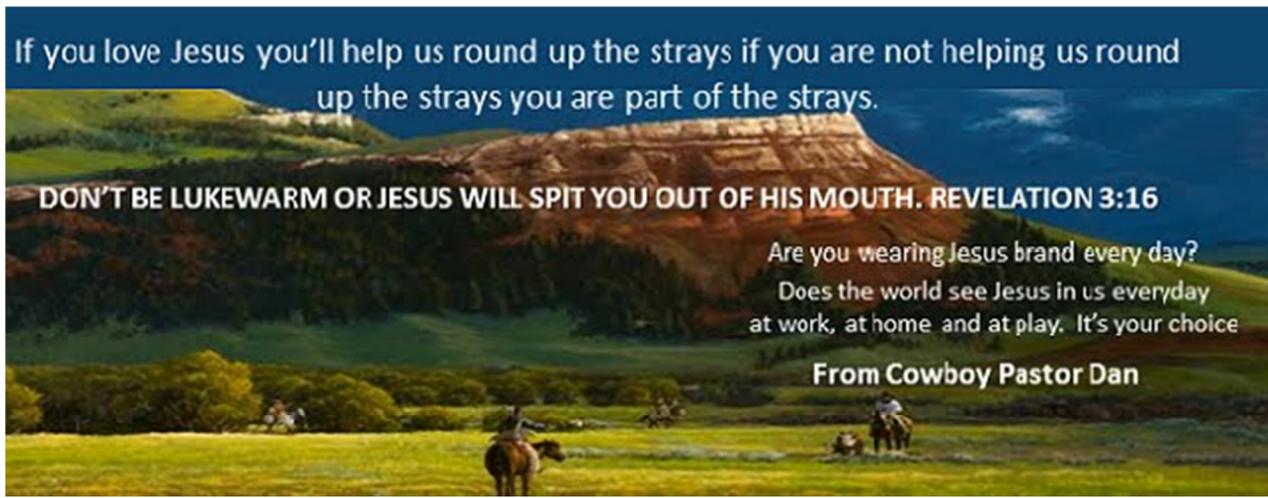


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We are leaving this week and headed into Louisiana after broken ribs and punctured lung, buying a buggy for Gary, training the horse to pull the buggy and numerous modifications to the trailer which has included a rack to haul the buggy during times that it will not be on the road, a roof mounted hay rack, a step that allows for easier access to the nose of the gooseneck and a shelf in the mid tack room to get stuff up and out of the way.

During the time here we have had several adventures such as a blowout on the front of the truck that destroyed the left fender, head light, wheel well, and some of the electrical wiring it took 3 weeks to get it fixed. The horses spooked one time and drug half of their corral down but they stood tied to what had fallen down until we got over to get them untied. Another time they were trying to get to green grass on the other side of the fence and pushed it open like 3 little kids out for a lark they ran out of the yard and down the side of the highway with everyone in hot pursuit. Someone driving a small black car saw the horses run out and drove slowly beside them until the horses decided to stop about ½ a mile away. Another person in a truck pulled in front of the horses so they just kind of milled around until Dan and Gary got there with the one ton and lead ropes and Gracie with a bucket of feed and lead ropes. The old horse was the first to stick his head in the feed bucket and get his lead attached next came Bubba and the most argumentative one (the mare) decided she wanted to play a couple of minutes more before sticking her head in the bucket. So after what seemed like an eternity (only 10 minutes) everyone was safe and back in their corral.

In spite of all of our adversities, trials and tribulations the bible says we are to give thanks for all things you know old cowboys never quit. We have been here for 2 months and we give praise to Jesus.

Please pray for us and our animals that we have no more ugly dismounts and rodeos in the middle of the road.