

Grace Lake Ministries

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North Texas Giving Day is September 17th

This year, 2020, has been a unique year with the challenges of a global pandemic. We are grateful for our ability to persevere through these unprecedented times as we confidently continue to serve our special riders. This strength comes from our Heavenly Father as He works through our supportive and generous community. LAST YEAR over \$23,000 was donated! We invite you to show your support for horses, hope, and healing by donating on North Texas Giving Day 9.17.20.

This year you can make your gift early. Simply go to NorthTexasGivingDay.org and you can give early to all your favorite non-profits. When you donate to Grace Lake on NorthTexasGivingDay.org, your dollar will be stretched with thousands of dollars in matching funds, plus bonus funds and prizes raised by Communities Foundation of Texas!

<https://www.northtexasgivingday.org/grace-lake-therapeutic-horsemanship-program>

Follow us! <https://www.facebook.com/gracelakeministries> to stay up to date on North Texas Giving Day!

Thank you for your continued support so that we can continue the mission that was started 16 years ago!



Save The Date!
9.17.20



Important Dates

9/1~Early Giving Begins for North Texas Giving Day

9/10~Fall Session Begins

9/17~North Texas Giving Day

9/24~ Targets for Christ Clay Shoot benefiting Grace Lake



Due to COVID, we have not been able to welcome the majority of our volunteers back. Our Phase I re-opening for Summer went extremely well and included independent riders only. Our Phase II re-opening for the Fall session will include riders that need sidewalkers and whose parents are able to sidewalk with them. Parents will have to meet all of our volunteer requirements and attend our Sidewalker Training. We look forward to welcoming ALL of our volunteer team back in the near future. Thank you for your patience as we navigate these very different times.



Zachary is a sweet and empathetic boy with autism who has been riding at Grace Lake for about two years. Zachary has ridden most of the horses and loves trotting regardless of which horse he is riding. Riding in group lessons gives Zachary the opportunity to participate in games with his fellow riders which is perfect for him because of his empathetic nature. He loves caring for people and animals.

Riding relaxes him and brings him great peace. He loves the feel of the wind on his face while he rides. Riding also brings his mother great joy because he looks forward to his riding sessions each week. She says the benefits of therapeutic riding are huge and neither you nor your child will forget the wonderful experience. "The memories will last a lifetime."

Zachary's mom has glowing remarks for Grace Lake. "They genuinely care about their riders and take extra precautions for the safety of the rider and horse. They keep the classes small and exclusively for Special Needs Individuals, which I appreciate. They also make it fun for the rider. The horses are very well groomed and carefully matched to the rider. We love all your precious volunteers. Thank you for your time and devotion GLM! We will continue to be a client."

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Targets for Christ Event

Grace Lake is honored to have been chosen to receive the proceeds from the Targets from Christ clay shooting event this year. Put together a team of friends or colleagues and come out and enjoy this well, organized day of fun! Registration is now open! www.targetsforchrist.org

10TH ANNUAL TARGETS FOR CHRIST WILDEWEST SHOOTOUT
 ELM FORK SHOOTING SPORTS 10751 LUNA ROAD DALLAS, TX 75220
 PLEASE COME SUPPORT *Grace Lake Ministries*
 Horses, Hope & Healing.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

SCHEDULE
 12:00-1:00 pm.....Registration/Lunch
 1:00-1:30 pm.....Grace Lake Presentation
 1:30-3:30 pm.....Sporting Clay Competition
 3:30-4:00 pm.....Shotgun Golf
 4:00-5:00 pm.....Awards / Hors D'oeuvres

Sponsors: GUS BATES, Don & Wendy Stone, Ad Valorem, Progressive HEAT & AIR, Hegwood Group, RAI, McCreary Sales, Houston Sprockets, Don & Carolyn Johnson, GIBRALTAR, SAITH THOMPSON WARE SPECIALTY, CAPSULE PAPER LTD, BUCKLE UP Ranch, THE AMSTERDAM COMPANY, BUCKLE UP Ranch, Ad Valorem, Progressive HEAT & AIR, Hegwood Group, RAI, McCreary Sales, Houston Sprockets, Don & Carolyn Johnson, GIBRALTAR, SAITH THOMPSON WARE SPECIALTY, CAPSULE PAPER LTD, BUCKLE UP Ranch.

Thank you, Colin Chilson for taking care of the hoof needs of the Grace Lake herd. We appreciate your commitment to providing a quality service! A++++

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John 14:27~Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

Grace Lake's mission is to provide therapeutic horsemanship to people with disabilities and others in need of hope and healing in a Christian environment.