



**PEACHCREST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
SUNBELT CHRISTIAN YOUTH RANCH
2008 PROJECT PROPOSAL
June 22-28, 2008**

**LOCATION: Sunbelt Christian Youth Ranch,
Lake, Mississippi**

Sunbelt Christian Youth Ranch (named for its mid-south location) is a rescue ranch for at-risk children and youth. The purpose of the ranch is to heal the hurt and satisfy the hunger for love and the meaning of life in the lives of children of broken and fractured families. The ranch could have been called Son-Belt because of its emphasis on Christian living. Home is precious to Theron Harris, founder and director of the ranch, and the ranch is his outreach of love and compassion for children deprived of the preciousness of a Christian home and family.

The *sunbelt* climate is favorable for year-round gardening. Its four seasons provide the variety and beauty to interest staff and children. It is also flavored with the traditional “*southern hospitality*” and unique culture and vernacular to bond residents and attract visitors.

The ranch is located on 191 acres of timber, grazing, hay and dwelling land. It has chickens, ducks, sheep, goats, cows, horses and gardens. It is ranch life in its purest wholesome form where picking peas, milking a cow and riding a horse evaporates frustrations and instills peace within and without. Life at the ranch makes a difference that lasts a lifetime.

PROJECT: Sunbelt Christian Youth Ranch

Sunbelt is a “working” ranch/farm. While the specific project details have not been determined, there is never a shortage of work on the ranch. There is always a need for cleaning and painting which may be part of our project. Also, if the spring planting season goes well, we expect to help with harvest time for some of the vegetables.

In addition to working on the ranch, we to have some time for fellowship and learning each evening with the kids living at the ranch. This will include a devotion/lesson, singing, testimonies, games and fellowship. Each team meeting will include some time preparing for this important time.

In all this, our goal is to show the love of Christ. It is important to show that we live a Christian lifestyle by choice and not by mandate.

Note: Project funds are included in the cost of the trip. These funds will be used to purchase materials and items needed for our work at the ranch.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

We are planning a one-day R&R activity at the end of the trip.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Housing for the team will be at one of the bunk houses. Information will be provided as to what team members need to bring for bedding. Team members will be assigned to assist the ranch staff in preparation and clean-up of meals.

SHOTS/MEDICATIONS:

Tetanus is required as a precaution so make sure you are up-to-date.

TEAM TRAINING:

Team members will be required to attend 3 or 4 team meetings. The meetings will consist of discussions regarding plans for project activities, packing lists, preparation for devotions and testimonies, team building activities, fund raising, etc. It is very important that each team member make a commitment to attend these meetings.

COST:

The approximate cost of this trip will be \$300 per person. This includes transportation, meals, project funds, team t-shirt, R&R activity and accommodations.

Procedures:

Complete the application in your information packet and give it to Cash or Judy.

All checks should be made payable to Soar Ministries, Inc. Checks should be marked clearly with your name and/Peachcrest and may be mailed to Soar Ministries, Inc., 1384 Meadow Springs Drive, Lilburn, GA 30047 or given to Judy at the team meetings. You will be provided with an accounting of all checks received on your behalf.