



Press Release: Winter 2005

The first day of spring brings to close our winter season. What a great time we had on the slopes of Colorado. During the winter months of November to March Radical Riders was based in the Rocky Mountains of colorful Colorado. Our winter ministry uses the action sports of snowboarding, skiing, and snowmobiling to share the gospel with today's youth. Our days consisted of hitting the slopes and riding up the chairlift in the singles line and sharing Jesus with those on the chair with us. We are always amazed at how God leads our conversations to bring those around us to a better understand of how radical God is.

In between days of witnessing on the mountain we were busy with numerous outreach opportunities. The first opportunity was to our Boarding House Interns. Not a week goes by where we do not receive emails from people wanting to be involved with RR and help us take the gospel to the extreme. So after much prayer and discussion we started the Boarding House program. Radical Riders offers two seasonal internship programs: summer and winter. Each program consists of taking the gospel to the action sports community. We had two individuals come to live with us for 12 weeks: Craig Roberts and Chris Cardozo. Each of these young men brought a passion for Jesus Christ and snowboarding/skiing with them, and were eager to take their faith to the next level. We enjoyed having them help us and I am sure they each have a few stories to tell about their radical winter experience.

The end of January will went to the ESPN Winter X-Games in Aspen, Colorado. This was the second year that RR has been involved with the games and we were excited to be a part of it. Meeting new friends and see some old friends is always a highlight of the games. We took the gospel to the slopes of the X-Games and shared our faith with athletes, volunteers, event staff and spectators. We also had the privilege of making some new friends with the YWAM group from Denver.

In February we were once again part of the Christian Ministries Convention. This was our third year at the conference and we were looking forward to telling our Christian brothers and sisters about Radical Riders. God continues to blow us away every year at this convention as we share the vision God has given us and how those in the body of Christ react. It is our prayer that they understand that vision and what RR is all about.

We closed out the season with the Dale House Project young people. Dale House reaches out to delinquent, neglected, and abused teenagers who cannot return home. Within the context of community living, their goal is to teach these youth the skills necessary to live independently. (<http://www.thedalehouseproject.org>). These teens spent the weekend with us snowboarding/skiing and learning how radical God is and how he wants to have a personal relationship with them.

Another radical winter season is in the books. We want to thank those of you who continue to pray for us and support us on a monthly basis. Without your help we could not do all that God has called us to do. Thanks!!

God Bless!!
Rob & Michele