

June 2025 *Mission Friends Leader* Fun Facts and Prayer Requests

Missions Area: Cowboy Church

Concept Area: Church

Missionaries: Pat and Renee Alphin

5 Fun Facts about the Missionaries

1. Pat Alphin rode bulls in Mesquite, Texas, when he was young, and then rode in professional rodeos for several years.
2. Mr. Alphin started two cowboy churches in Texas.
3. It was Renee Alphin's idea to start a video ministry by recording bull and bronc riders so they could watch their rides and learn how to be better riders.
4. The Alphins are thankful for the help and support they receive from the Cooperative Program.
5. Mr. Alphin leads Bible studies for local ranchers.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for the Cody Cowboy Church as they continue to minister to young cowboys through their bunkhouse ministry.
- Pray that the cowboys who hear about Jesus will rely on Him every day.
- Pray for Pat and Renee Alphin as they look for new ministry needs around their area.
- Pray for the safety of the rodeo participants as they ride bucking bulls and broncs.
- Pray that the bunkhouse and video ministry will lead to conversations about Jesus.

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Cody, Wyoming, is a small town surrounded by mountain ranges. Cody is near the entrance of Yellowstone National Park and claims to be the Rodeo Capital of the World because it has one of the world's longest running rodeos. The Cody Nite Rodeo is the only place in the nation where a rodeo runs every night from June through August.

Cody is also home to festivals, special events, and the PRCA Cody Stampede Rodeo, a rodeo for professional cowboys. Many people in the area are involved in ranching and farming, and many people do a lot of hiking, fishing, and hunting. Tourists enjoy visiting Cody for the rodeos and outdoor activities in this beautiful area.