

North Texas Expo Turns 10 Years Old on September 11, 2021



Since June of 2012 the North Texas Expo has not missed a beat, given up on moving forward nor stopped sharing the Love and Gospel of Jesus despite some unusual circumstances. No matter the challenge God has always made a way. He has always been faithful in His provision even when we were not sure how He was going to do it.

In 2014, we had 40+ mph straight line winds come off of Lake Grapevine at 4am on Saturday morning taking out 16 of our ten by ten tents. However, we prayed and put out an email to our team and volunteers showed up early with tents and helping hands. By the time the participants arrived at 10am you would never have known anything happened – well, except for the bent metal tent structure pile we had on the side of the road.

In 2015, Lake Grapevine was 26 feet high after receiving rain 22 of 31 days in May. However, God had an answer as our friends at Christ’s Haven offered us use of their facility including a pond, pavilion and horse riding barn and rink. Then in 2018, Lake Grapevine had its second 100 year flood in just three years and yes, again God already had us covered as our ministry partner Valley Ranch Baptist Church offered us their entire outdoor area to hold our outreach. This time we had no water option for boat rides, kayaking or fishing but instead we had a rockwall and zipline – two floods and two relocations is nothing for God to overcome. 😊



So when the pandemic hit in 2020, we prayed again for God to make a way and by His grace and mercy He did. That’s right our board with God’s foresight put together a top notch medical protocol plan that not only included masks, gloves and



sanitizing procedures but different time slots to limit our numbers onsite at one time. We had to figure out a new system, jump through lots of extra hoops and serve fewer participants. It stretched us a bit but we discovered the rewards of focusing more on the individuals. We even came up with a team motto: **FOUR THE ONE**, which simply means we are doing what we do for the One we serve, Jesus and for the one who comes to our events in search of Jesus and His light and love. In true God fashion it worked and we held all four of our Expos in 2020 – amazing the things God will do when His people pray!