**Tim Akers**
Tim Akers is a district sales manager for Westway Feed Products and was previously an agricultural loan officer for 14 years. He is a fourth-generation rancher who raises cattle in Grimes and Madison counties. He implemented a brush management program to control mesquite and huisache to improve pastures and increase stocking rates. He and his wife, Kristi, have two children.

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**Tryce Berend**
Tryce Berend owns and operates a small beef cattle herd in Somervell County and is the senior vice president at Interbank. He also helps with his family’s dairy farm in Windthorst. He and his wife, Katie, live in Glen Rose. They are expecting their first child.

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**Justin Cave**
Justin Cave is a fourth-generation farmer who grows dryland cotton, grain sorghum and hay in Martin, Dawson and Howard counties. He and his wife, Maddie, have two children.

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**Clayton Conway**
Clayton Conway has a small herd of registered Charolais and Charolais-cross cattle in Van Zandt County. He raises and markets purebred Charolais bulls to commercial cattlemen and women in Northeast Texas and Oklahoma. He also has a small feed business, Conways Cube & Mineral, LLC. Clayton and his late wife have two children and five grandchildren.

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**Jay Clark**
Jay Clark raises beef cattle and hair sheep on the family ranch in Brown County. He and his wife, Francie, also manage a special events venue—The Homestead at Clark Ranch. They have implemented a regenerative model emphasizing soil health, animal performance and improving ecosystem functions. They have three children.

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**Hailey Hayes**
Hailey Hayes is an agricultural science teacher and FFA advisor at Calhoun County ISD. She and her husband, Cassidy, grow corn and cotton in Calhoun County. They also raise show pigs for 4-H and FFA members to exhibit and have a small herd of American-cross cattle. She and Cassidy have one child.
Jaret Reaves
Jaret Reaves is an equipment sales representative for Zimmerer Kubota. He also has a cow-calf operation in Montague and Cooke counties. Jaret and his wife, Lisa, have two children.

Jarod Root
Jarod Root is a trauma orthopedic advanced practice provider who assists in the operating room with various surgical procedures. He started a cow-calf herd and directly markets his beef to the local community in Denton County. He also added 10 beehives to produce local, raw, organic honey. Jarod and his wife, Kara, have two boys.

Wesley Paben
Wesley Paben works alongside his parents on the family’s cattle and hay operation in Waller County. Wesley also served 15 years of active duty in the Marine Corps. He and his wife, Kathrine, live in Waller.

Austen White
Austen White is the fifth generation of White Farms in Wilbarger County. Austen and his wife, Rachel, have a cow-calf herd, run stocker cattle and grow hay, wheat and dryland cotton. They focus heavily on genetic traits to improve their cow-calf herd, and they use value-added marketing programs and retain ownership of their cattle in the feedyard. He and Rachel have one child.

Matthew Wolf
Matthew Wolf works for ever.ag, a brokerage firm that offers risk management services to dairy farmers and livestock producers. He also helps on his family’s farm in Archer County and has a small herd of registered Shorthorn cattle. Matthew and his wife, Kaley, have one child.