

Siloam Missionary Homes

A place missionaries call home

Dear Friends.

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I praise the Lord for your faithfulness to give and support missions.

Yesterday, a missionary came to see me about his van. He is living here, raising the funds to build a church in his country. The transmission went out of the car he has, and it was going to be expensive to fix, putting him in a real dilemma to travel. Because of the generosity of God's people, we were able to give him a car. This morning I had the wonderful privilege of giving him the keys. I am going through a "One Month to Live" journal, "Your thirty-day companion to a no-regrets life" by Kerry & Chris Shook. That has made me re-examine my life. I would like to share this quote - "You get to choose how to spend that little dash of time between the two dates of you're earthly existence. What are you spending yours on? Are you living the dash, knowing fully who you are and why you are here? Or dashing to live, hurriedly spending precious time chasing things that really don't matter to you?" The psalmist prayed, "Teach us to number our days and recognize how few they are; help us Lord to spend them as we should." Wow, what a knife to the soul!

In 2013 through God's blessings, Siloam has provided homes for 19 families -Argentina, Ecuador, Brazil, Germany, Bolivia, Uganda, Australia, Columbia, Togo, Gambia, Central African Republic, Lithuania, Philippines, Indonesia, Hungary and the US. 16 countries! A home for missionaries that have committed to a no-regrets life. What a blessing to know that each of you are a link by helping us provide homes for missionaries. Years ago, my pastor came out to visit. At the time, Siloam had one duplex, 16 acres and an office over a garage. My pastor went to the office window and pulled up the blinds. Looking out he said, "Larry, tell me what you see." Looking out, I could envision more homes, a chapel, family center, children playing, a mission hub of activity. I was almost breathless with excitement!! Pastor then turned to me and said, "Remember it's not ours - its God's, to accomplish the Great Commission." Now almost 20 years have passed since we stood in that window, but daily I am reminded that Siloam Missionary Homes belongs to God. We are the tools He uses to build this place for a time and then we will be gone. How quickly time has gone and the days are going faster! Yet there is much to do!

A missionary once told me that if God gives you two of something, give one away. Matt. 5:41,42 "And whatever compels you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks you, and from him who wants to borrow from you, do not turn away. " Attached is our financial report for 2013 and our planned budget for 2014. The cost of replacing furnaces and growing pains is expensive, yet God provides. For over 22 years, God keeps us on our knees. But, not it's about me. Together we link arms. This year we will start Siloam Volunteer Corps (SVC) where we can plug you into Siloam's mission hub. We will be making plans to develop a retirement village for missionaries, pastors and volunteers like you. Imagine serving daily and encouraging each other! Would you move here?

Use your dash of time to bring all the honor and glory to Jesus. Thank you for your continuing support for Siloam Missionary Homes. 2014 is going to be the best year yet. "LIVE YOUR CALLING ON FIRE." Be a part. Call me, I'm waiting to hear how God is blessing you.

Larry George, President



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