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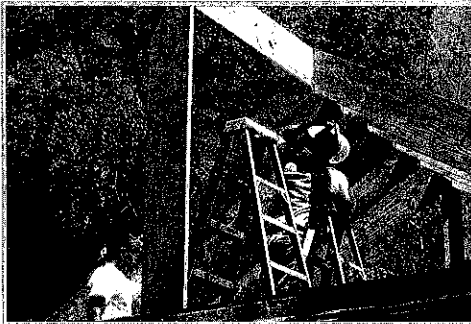
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"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your request be made known to God." — Phil 4:6

These words ran through my mind as Mike, Joyce and I were putting plastic on the roof of an already wet bathhouse at 10:00 pm. Sometimes we don't understand why, but God knows and wants us to talk to Him.



Maple Grove Church adult work team came in June to begin the task of remodeling the doublewide that was donated to Siloam last year into a bathhouse and assembly area for the volunteers that come and stay at Camp Glory Farm. It will be complete with a kitchen, showers and toilets, as well as a dining room. We praise the Lord for the group who came and worked so hard in the heat and for their investment into this project.

Do you need a project? Help us complete this before the end of the year! Call for details.

MISSIONS:

"A specific task with which a person or a group is charged. To send on or entrust with a mission."
Live Your Calling On Fire through Siloam Missionary Homes

I pray this newsletter finds each of you serving the Lord with gladness in your hearts. The above definition came from the dictionary and really, in a couple of sentences, explains what Siloam Missionary Homes is all about — God using you and me to collectively provide missions to the world.

The other day I was with Pastor Pat Fuller and he asked me to list three things by importance that Siloam Missionary Homes provides.

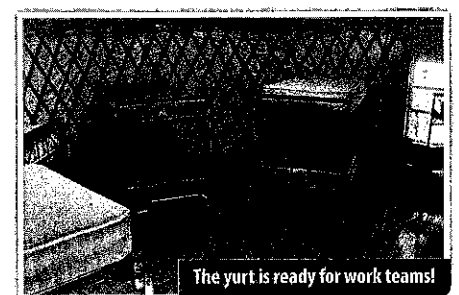
1. ***Wonderful, beautiful homes*** in a village setting, completely furnished and ready to move in. The missionary arrives here, tired and in need of a place of rest and to collect their thoughts. A place that is safe for their children to play and not have to worry who they are playing with. All the utilities are on. There is no need to put down large deposits to have the utilities turned on or have to run out and buy furniture — it's all here. Siloam has a beautiful food store where they

can get food to keep from running last minute to the supermarket. Since 2000, over 13 years, God has used His people to provide literally thousands of dollars of food to feed hundreds of missionary families. We also have the Treasure Chest with new and gently used clothing for families and the community.

2. ***Encouragement*** to missionaries and to our friends. When God called Joyce and me to start Siloam Missionary Homes back in 1992, we had a vision from the Lord to provide encouragement. When we stepped out of the truck that day and looked at 16.5 acres of total woods and no buildings out in the middle of nowhere, we asked, "Why here?" But in the Bible when Jesus was discouraged, we read that He would go out into the wilderness to spend time with the Lord and pray. A place of solitude. Every day I have people that come out here to tour the campus and one of the things they all say before leaving is, "This place is

so peaceful and restful." That is step one to encouragement and rest. You can't encourage discouraged people when they are tired, physically and spiritually. Siloam gives them the wonderful opportunity to unwind and allows them to be able to hear God speak.

3. ***Camp Glory Farm*** is a beautiful place where you can stay and volunteer your services to the Lord. Whether you bring an RV or tent, or stay in one of our Yurts in the Mongolian village, it's all about learning, sharing and then putting these practices into spreading God's glory to the world.



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Friendship's Sacrifice by H. Milton Wilder, *Missionary Pastoral Care*

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Recently, we've had such an influx of new families arriving at Siloam that it has been a challenge to learn which children go with which family! I'm still trying to master it, but it is always good to see them around the Siloam "village" having fun and making new friends with the other missionary kids. It's also a blessing to Betty and me to get to know the families and become friends with them. Having a missionary family for a meal at our house is one of the best ways we have found to get acquainted with them and for them to know us. Just last evening we had a wonderful time of fellowship and conversation around the dinner table at our house with one of our "new" families. (Did you ever think about how many times the Bible mentions people eating a meal together?)

It's amazing sometimes to think that we have come to know so many missionaries and now we can claim that we have friends "all over the world!" Right now, we have missionaries living at Siloam who have served or will be serving in Ireland, Ecuador, South Africa, Togo, Lithuania, Haiti, Hungary, Colombia, Philippines and Chile. Pray that we who serve at Siloam will know how to be good friends and meet the needs of the missionaries whom

God has trusted to our care while they are at "a place missionaries call home."

Once we've come to know them, when families leave Siloam, we miss the fellowship of their friendship. It's often difficult for the children to leave the new friends they have made. One young boy advised his friends not to be missionaries because you have to leave your friends. Another teenager was hard to live with at home because she had to leave her friends in another country.

We know, of course, that is part of the life of a missionary, but stop for a moment and imagine how you would feel to leave your loved ones, to leave friends at church, school, in the neighborhood and even at work and travel to where you know no one. After a time, you make new friends in another country and then a few years pass and you go through the process once more when you have to return to the States. Dealing with separation from loved ones and friends is one aspect of a missionary's life that we should include when we pray for them.

This is only one of the many sacrifices necessary to take the gospel of salvation in Christ to a world that needs Him. How much are we willing to sacrifice to pray, to give, to go and to care for those who are already going?

Our theme this year is *'Live your Calling on Fire.'* I would like to encourage you to once again ask God how He can renew your heart to help Siloam Missionary Homes do just that. We praise the Lord that everyday He provides the thousands of dollars it takes to keep this campus of 14 homes and all the facilities along with 5 staff families, numerous volunteers, and over 30 missionary children and the farm functioning. We had a spring drive to help offset this and we praise the Lord, it helped, but the need continues. We pray every day for you in our prayer time and thank the Lord for how He chooses to provide though you, our partners.

Remember to pray every day for us. Pray, and thank the Lord for our partnership. May the Lord keep your heart and mine burdened with the needs that will enable us to stay focused on missions here at Siloam Missionary Homes, with love and encouragement. We receive e-mails daily from missionaries needing a place to call home. There is no place like Siloam Missionary Homes anywhere that we know of that is doing what God is doing here. Sending forth missionaries encouraged, refreshed and ready to reach the world for Jesus Christ!

God is so faithful, He proves Himself everyday. He is using each of us as instruments of His. May He always receive all the honor and glory for what He is doing here at Siloam Missionary Homes.

It's because of Him,

Larry George, *President*



BCA 8th Grade working in the garden



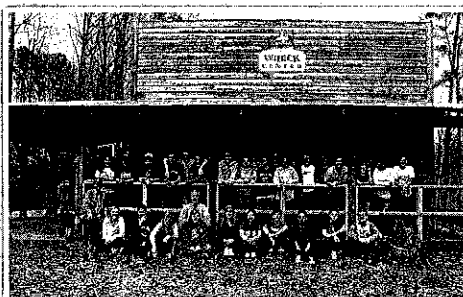
BCA 8th Grade weeding around the campus



BCA 8th Grade cleaning up ice storm debris



BCA 8th Grade painting the fence



BCA Sr. Hi Work Day



4H Club cleaned Dad's Store



4H Club cleaned the Burden/Love Chapel



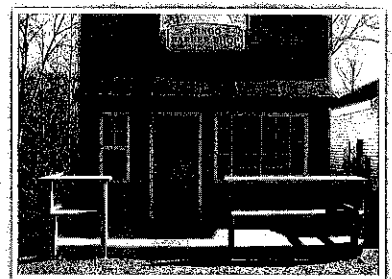
Missionary fellowship with Riverside WMU, who provided pizza and a movie



Christian Bible Fellowship youth work day — cleaning up the property



Christian Bible Fellowship with farm animals



Mingo Barber Shop



Pleasant Garden Church putting down stone in patio



Pleasant Garden Church washing windows



Pleasant Garden Church taking down storage shed damaged in ice storm



Pleasant Garden Church doing electrical work on Mingo Barber Shop



Missionary men and staff morning prayer meeting



Family Farm Weekend — Pony Rides



Family Farm Weekend — Alpaca Shearing



Family Farm Weekend — Craft Time



Family Farm Weekend — Mingo Barber Shop Dedication



Family Farm Weekend — Fun



Family Farm Weekend — Church Service



Family Farm Weekend - Honoring Congressman Howard Coble



Bath House Remodel — Maple Grove Church tearing off the roof



Maple Grove Church — tearing down the ceiling



Maple Grove Church — trusses going up



Maple Grove Church — securing trusses



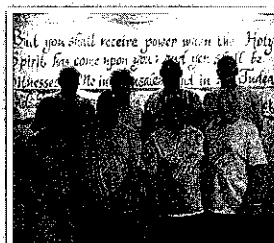
Maple Grove Church — roof decking



Maple Grove Church — friendships



Maple Grove Church — in the kitchen



Maple Grove Church — work team



Maple Grove Church — Iced coffee — so refreshing!



Maple Grove Church — the roof is gone



Maple Grove Church — taking measurements for trusses

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FROM BETTY'S KITCHEN

*Here's a great recipe for summer time.
Hope you enjoy.*

EIGHT-LAYER SALAD

- 1 head iceberg lettuce
- 1 head romaine lettuce
- ½ lb. bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 1 small purple onion, chopped or sliced
- 1 (10 oz.) pkg. frozen English peas, thawed
- 1 med. Sweet red pepper, sliced or chopped
- 1 (8 oz.) can sliced water chestnuts, drained
- 1-cup sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
- ¾ cup mayonnaise
- ¾ cup sour cream



Tear lettuce into bite-sized pieces. Layer first 8 ingredients in order as listed into a large salad bowl. Combine mayonnaise and sour cream, stirring well; spread over top of salad to sides of bowl to seal the edges. Cover and refrigerate up to 24 hours. Yields 12 servings.

Dear Coffee Club Members,



Things have been busy, as usual, around Siloam's campus over the past few months. I remember my mom telling me years ago that when she and my dad left for Brazil for the first time as missionaries, that a sweet lady approached her with some needlework. She said, "This will give you something to do besides sitting under a tree reading your Bible." When telling me this, my mom laughed and said, "I wish I would have had time to just sit under a tree and read my Bible!" And, so we carry on the tradition of staying busy in the Lord's work here at Siloam!

A couple of weeks ago, during Communion at our church, as I sat and held the bread and the juice in my hand, I thought about the sacrifice that the Lord Jesus made for me. But, not just for me, but also for the whole world. Tears filled my eyes as I thought about the work that we do here at Siloam – providing a place for missionaries to call home. That it is because of the Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus Christ that what we do here makes a difference to people groups around the world. I am so blessed.

Please pray and ask the Lord how you can get involved in meeting the needs of missionaries by partnering with Siloam Missionary Homes. God bless each of you this summer.

Your "Coffeemate,"

Joyce George
Office Manager and Co-founder
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