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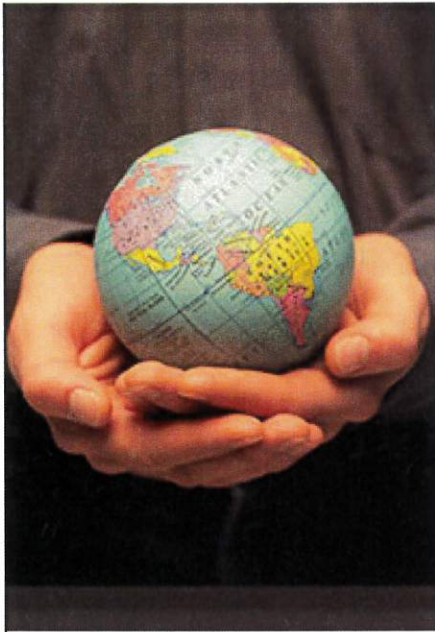
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### Be Patient....Enjoy the Journey

*Blessed is the man that endureth temptation;  
for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life,  
which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. James 1:12*

We have several projects in the making and need you. With summer work teams coming, we have much to do.

The bathhouse needs to be completed at the farm - electrical, insulation, plumbing and drywall.

The yurts need half-baths put in, water lines run, a 1,000 gallon tank installed, two toilets and two sinks put in.

We also need to build two 12x12 covered decks and

Having the patience of Job. Does that bring a smile to your face? I remember years ago when Joyce and I were first married and we were praying together and I heard her pray, "Lord, give us patience." I immediately interrupted her and said, "Wait!!! Don't pray that, Joyce, because God will hear that and bring trials into our lives. It's like wishing bad luck on someone." Sound familiar?

To endure temptation talks about enduring with patience. When I think about this, I am reminded about the number of things that missionaries staying here at Siloam face - waiting on paperwork to return to the field, making the arrangements to return, the doctor visits, buying materials they need...and the list goes on.

A lot of a missionary's time is taken up with waiting. For most of you that know me, to wait is painful. I have to help God, or so I am prone to believe. I worry that in waiting, supporters lose interest and may think I am being slack. After all, there has to be a quicker way, right? Remember the saying, "Hurry up and wait?" :)

I want to thank you for your patience with me. I know at times I get so busy at being busy that I forget to tell you. But Joyce and I love

walkways for the yurts.

We need to purchase another  
HV/AC unit for the other yurt.

Fence to put up

A chicken house to build

each of you and your part in the ministry of Siloam Missionary Homes.

We are entering our 23rd year, there has been so much done in developing this 33-acre campus and God has been so good, but many times God has put us in a waiting pattern so that He can use different people to help accomplish His will. What will that do? It brings the glory back to Him. This is one of the hidden treasures I have come to see in my life. Like a plane that is waiting to land and the air traffic controller puts you in a waiting pattern to land. "Patience please," I hear in my head as I run out the door to the next meeting, slopping my coffee as I run. Slow down, breathe and think, "Ok Lord, this is for you."

Hebrews 6:10 is Siloam's call to action. *"For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have shown toward His name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister."*

God is faithful, but He also wants us to not only endure, but to enjoy the journey.

This year we have many opportunities for you to be part of the work here at Siloam. **Every Tuesday and Thursday is for volunteers to come and help us with routine maintenance and projects.** This is a huge shot in the arm for our limited staff and it really encourages us too.

Ok, .....I could go on and on, but I, too, need to be patient. I encourage you to pray and ask God how He can use you to be a part this year. He has promised to help us.

I pray as we work, we can all enjoy the journey along the way. May the Lord bless each of you as we labor together in being that link - providing a wonderful place a missionary can call home.

Hoping to see you soon,

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