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For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)

When I was a young child all I wanted for Christmas was a new bike. But the economy wasn't at its best and my dad's job as a salesman didn't allow for a lot of extras that year. My parents and grandparents told me there wasn't money for a new bike that year. My response – "That's OK, Santa will bring it." I was young and still had that child-like faith that a *mythical being* would provide. But shouldn't that simple faith, in a very real God of course, be part of our lives as believers? We cannot allow the cynicism of our society to rob us of our faith in God, especially at this time of year when we celebrate the most beautiful birth mankind has ever seen and the hope of salvation that birth brought into this world.

God is good and has shown Himself faithful this year by meeting or exceeding our needs. Here are just a few highlights of God's goodness throughout this year.

- The purchase, delivery, and set up costs for the 30th Anniversary House were fully funded by generous giving from faithful supporters; we were also able to get dealer pricing for the house.
- The house was safely delivered to the property and is on site awaiting the final building permits to go ahead and set the house. The septic upgrade was approved and completed as well.
- A group has stepped forward to raise funds to furnish the new house.
- Our farm manager, Kendric Peoples, was married late this summer to Noah Tyre, a former intern here at Siloam.
- We were able to provide housing for 26 families this year.
- God provided strength and healing for missionaries and staff this year as we faced COVID, surgeries, and other health issues.
- Several work teams came this year and we were able to complete a massive structural repair on Unit E, update the Wreck Center and the Treasure Chest, and begin the update to the front entrance of the property.

We wish we could share all that God has done this year, but there is just not enough space in one letter to do so. But we do ask that you would rejoice with us in all that God has done. Our faith increases as we have opportunity to trust Him even in sometimes chaotic circumstances.

Please pray for the missionaries. Several of them are in the process of transitioning to a new field of service and it seems that conditions and processes change on almost a daily basis. The uncertainties around the world present challenges for families trying to make plans to go overseas as well as those who will be remaining here in the United States.

The board and staff would like to thank you for being a part of the work here at Siloam. Whether through your financial gifts or prayers, you too are being used to minister to these precious saints who are obedient and faithful in their service to Him. We do not do this work alone. We lean on your support and prayers and on the almighty hands of our great God.

We are grateful for the words of Paul in I Thessalonians 5:24, "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." This work we do together here at Siloam Missionary Homes is His work. We praise Him for what He has done this year and we look forward to the work He will do in 2022 and beyond. May God richly bless you during this most wonderful Christmas season!


Michael Gay, Director,

for all of us at Siloam Missionary Homes

