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Joy Jar Blessings

In 2022 our theme at Siloam was "Serve with Joy." In order to try to stay focused on that theme, we asked our staff and missionary families to write short notes as they received blessings throughout the year and then put them in the Joy Jar in the library. We are going to share some of them in each newsletter so you can get a glimpse of some of the "joy" going on here at Siloam. We continue the Joy Jar this year as well.



I am thankful for all of the opportunities to be able to do things I would normally not be able to do, including helping up at the barn and driving the tractor (glad I didn't kill Kendric on that thing).

I am thankful for the amazing place we have gotten to stay at this past year, and for all the friendly people I have met here.

"He daily leads us with benefits." It would be more than enough to just live here at Siloam, but the extra built-in blessings just keep piling up; good, reliable internet, loving attentive staff, workout room to strengthen my back, printer access so we don't have to drive out to town for copies. As our work brings us in close contact with much suffering and the evils that grieve God's heart and destroy those He loves, these clear evidences of God's presence in kindnesses, goodness, sacrificial giving, provision are like spring flowers coming through the snow's crust. The gifts God blesses us with are part of His answer to a prayer.

*— first prayed by Moses and recorded for us in Ps. 90:14-17 **"Satisfied in His 'hesed' love fortifies us to labor in the trenches."***

URGENT NEED!



We recently discovered a manhole sized opening in the ground in our main parking lot.

Upon further inspection that hole revealed a much larger cavity that had developed under our parking lot. The drainage pipe that was installed when the main office building was constructed had suffered a catastrophic failure and created a sinkhole, which continues to grow every time it rains. We have already pursued a claim with our insurance company, but this type of issue is not covered by our policy. If we end up needing to buy the materials directly from a supplier, the pipe alone will be close to \$20,000, not including the excavation, removal, and reinstallation of the new pipe.

Would you prayerfully consider assisting Siloam Missionary Homes with this financial need? We know that God was not surprised when this hole appeared and we trust that He will be glorified as the provision for this need is met.

Missionary Care is More Than a House

Missionaries come to Siloam Missionary Homes with a variety of needs. Missionary Care is more than supplying a house for a missionary family to stay in while on “home assignment” or “furlough.” Betty and I came to this well-established ministry 15 years ago and have seen how it has met the needs of missionary families in so many ways. Let me name a few in which Siloam has played a significant part.

- Siloam has been a place of healing in family relationships, physical healing, mending marital difficulties and attending to problems with children. Sometimes children of missionaries have difficulty leaving the friends they have grown up with on the mission field. Being at Siloam with other children from similar situations helps them cope.

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- Having SMH as a location from which to visit churches and individuals that support their ministry or to seek support is a blessing. Missionaries have a place they can call home for a while, coming and going as they have need.
- Missionaries staying with us have family members they need to visit, perhaps parents who are ill or

whom they have not seen in years because of their overseas ministry.

- Several families have stayed with us who had to leave the field because of threats to their safety, an emergency evacuation or a security breach, with only a few hours to pack what they could and leave the country. Siloam provided the families a safe place to “breathe” again, such as one family escaping from armed conflict on the street in front of their house overseas.
- Siloam’s location near top-ranked hospital facilities has allowed a number of families to get the medical help they needed. A family with a child who had a heart defect came to stay here and found they were only a few miles from the location of one of the best heart surgeons in the U.S. who provided care.
- Siloam was here to help when a missionary couple’s infant son died due to a birth defect while they stayed with us.

These are a few examples of the help SMH provides to missionary families. We are here to listen, pray with, encourage and provide care in whatever ways we can. When you support Siloam through your prayers, gifts and volunteering you are making a difference in meeting the needs of missionaries, helping equip them to make known the gospel message of Christ.

H. Milton Wilder, *Missionary Pastoral Care*

FARM DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 29
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM



- ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS
 - PETTING ZOO
 - FOOD
 - CRAFT & PLANT VENDORS
 - ENTERTAINMENT
 - SILENT AUCTION & YARD SALE
- SILOAMHOMES.ORG/FARMDAY

On April 29th, we are having our second annual FARM DAY. This year we hope to add a few more things to make the experience even more exciting. We will have a petting zoo, “pictures with the farm babies,” food and snacks for sale, vendors, hay ride, and trolley ride. This year we are adding a SILENT AUCTION as well as a KID’S AREA. There will

also be yard sale during the event. We would love to have you join us that day.

More information can be found on our website. Currently, we are looking for more vendors and quality items for the Silent Auction (please contact Michael at the office for more information at the office). Thank you again for making

Camp Glory Farm a ministry option for our families here at Siloam. It definitely is making a difference in the lives of our kids here on campus. If you would like to donate to this ministry, please be sure to let us know! Because of what Jesus accomplished,

Rachel George,
SMH V.P.

Meet Our Newest Staff Member



We are thrilled to introduce our newest staff member, John Williams. He comes to us with an extensive background in construction and the commercial sign industry. We are grateful for his skills as well as his desire to be obedient to God's calling to serve here at Siloam. He has joined our maintenance staff with a primary focus on buildings and structures. John is originally from Florida but has been in North Carolina for several years now. He has a lovely wife, Brandi, and three beautiful children. We have already been blessed by his gracious spirit and hard work. We look forward to having him here on staff for many years to come.

Thank You Notes:

"Thank you so much for receiving us here with so much love and kindness! This place is a great and amazing blessing in our lives. May the Lord continue blessing you, your families, and your ministry."

With love, David, Aline, Ben & Gabe"

It's Baby Season!

It has been an exciting time at Camp Glory Farm. Many of you know that this time of year we have our lambs and kids born. Even though we have been doing this for 10 years, each new birth is still an amazing experience. This year we have a total of 20 babies; six kids and 14 lambs. Kendric was especially busy this year during "baby season" due to me having foot surgery. So much was learned, and I know that the farm is in excellent care with her overseeing it.

As I write this letter to you, one of my missionary kids stopped in. We chit-chatted about the farm and she shared how meaningful it has been to her personally. She said, *"It really is a place of refuge for me. When I've been upset or just needed a break, it has been my special place to go."* Hearing her share her excitement of how she is a part of the farm ministry, once again, confirms how important it is to have Camp Glory Farm.



Motivation – a Biblical Perspective

Do you ever struggle with being motivated on a given day or while working on a given project? Whether you are in full-time Christian ministry or work in some other field there are times when you just don't "feel" like doing what needs to be done. As believers we have a simple remedy available to us – biblical perspective.

"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord, you'll receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ." Colossians 3:23-24

Every action we perform in a given day has value because it can be done to glorify Him. Even the simplest of tasks can be done in a way that honors and glorifies the King of kings. Praying for others. Performing an act of kindness. Forgiving someone who has hurt you. Mowing the grass. Cleaning the car. The list goes on and on. These all have spiritual value when we apply biblical motivation. So, when you wake up in the morning and don't "feel" like getting up and starting the day, remember this: Work hard. Serve Christ. For His Glory, not mine.

HONORARIUMS & MEMORIALS

In Memory of...

Jimmy Strickland, Joe Seay
by Elaine Welch

Larry Fogleman
by Judy & Charles Mills

Gale Nagy by Brittany Dietz

Rev. Lester Stanley by Larry & Nettie Apple

Zane Miller by Riverside Baptist Church

Nancy Gay by Alan & Laurie DeYoung,
and Armin & Georgia Nelson

In Honor of...

Ronnie & Doris Ward, Kathy Seay,
Sandra Stickland, Larry & Joyce George
by Elaine Welch

Ray Soyars by Syntha Group

Dear Coffee Club Members,



I've always heard "getting old is not for sissies...." But it seems that the past few months have been filled with the results of age beginning to creep up.

In October, Larry ended up having a partial knee replacement after stepping down off of a ladder incorrectly. He recovered pretty quickly compared to a lot of the stories we heard about knee surgeries, so we were thankful for that. He says that he is pain free now, which is a blessing.

Once he recovered, I decided to check out an old shoulder injury that had begun to give me quite a bit of pain. After my MRI, the doctor told me I had two torn tendons and needed surgery. So, on February 2nd, I underwent shoulder surgery. My recovery from that is going pretty well and I am doing physical therapy twice a week. I am so grateful that this kind of procedure is available to us....at another time in history or in other places, I would not be able to get relief and heal from this. So, I praise the Lord.

Today, we will say goodbye to one of our missionary families who are returning to their ministry in Tanzania. We grew to love them and will miss them...that is one of the hard parts of what we do here at Siloam. But we are thankful that they were able to come and rest here. They commented to Rachel yesterday that this is the first time that on furlough they were able to have a home of their own and how much that meant to their college age daughters who were able to come "home" to visit. Thank you for helping make this possible for families like this one.

As always, thank you for supporting the ministry. It makes an enormous difference! If you are not a supporting partner, would you prayerfully consider becoming a financial partner? Your prayers are vital to the ministry, as well. God bless each of you!

Your "Coffeemate," Joyce George

MY LOVE GIFT: I would like to join the Coffee Club with a monthly pledge of

☐ \$15 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ Other \$_____ (Please send my Coffee Club cup.)

One Time Gift \$_____

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DONATION FOR (check appropriate box):

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☐ Michael and Valerie Gay ☐ Rachel George ☐ Larry & Joyce George
☐ Milton & Betty Wilder ☐ Daniel Sieg ☐ Kendric Tyre

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