



# Siloam Missionary Homes

*"providing temporary missionary housing permanently"*

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## Up, Up, AND AWAY...

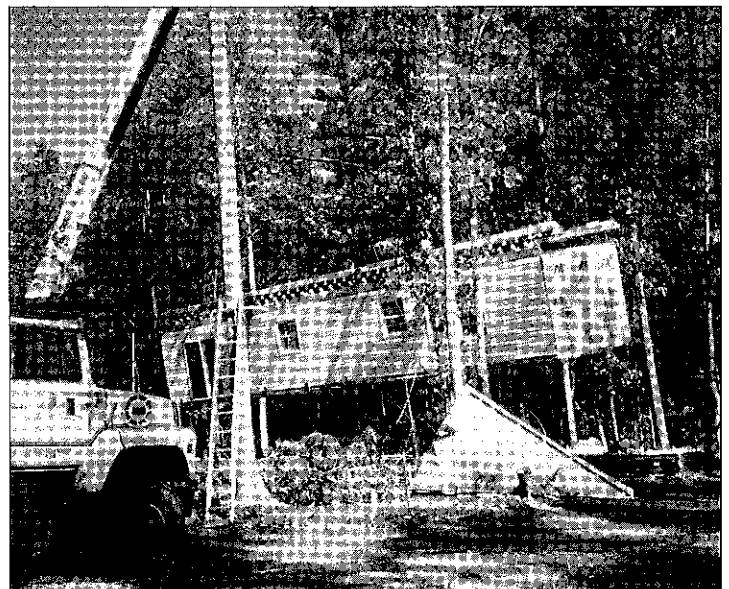
*W*e stood amazed as the trucks drove in with the first of two modular homes. Within six hours, the house was on the basement and the roof shingled! Both Joyce and I marveled at how quickly the house was completed compared to stick building. Now this house is finished and the Brunson family (missionaries to Turkey) have a home. A special "thank you" to all the people and churches who gave furniture, money, etc., to furnish this home. The walkout basement under this house will be made into another apartment. We are looking for helping hands to finish this home.

The second basement has been dug and the brick layers are putting up the basement walls this week. (They are behind schedule due to a lot of rain.) The next modular is ready for delivery. We look for completion of this house in early March and we have a family ready to move in the first of April. Please help us pray that it will be completed in time!

**HOW WE PRAISE THE LORD FOR PROVIDING ALL OF THE NEEDS FOR THESE HOME!**

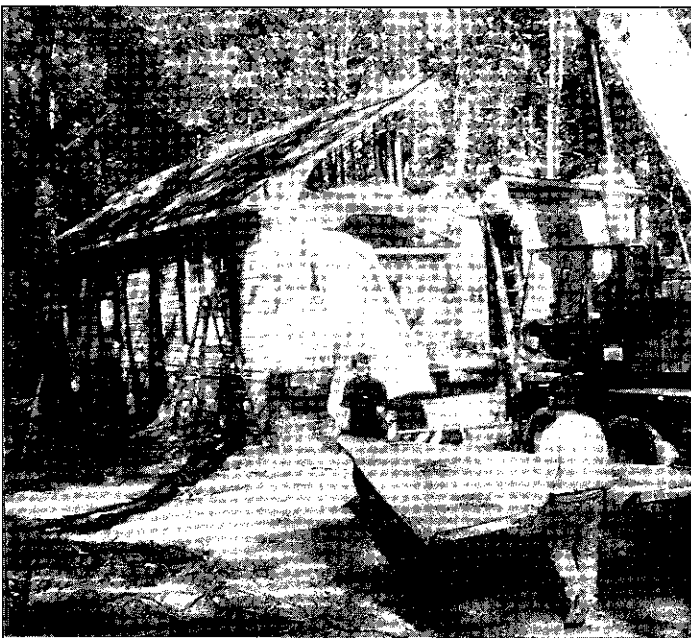


***We stood in awe as the crane operator picked up the second half and so carefully swung it over the first half and set it precisely into place.***



***It was amazing to see the first half of the house maneuvered between the trees and set onto the basement.***

***It took many willing hands and five weeks of work to finish getting the home for the missionary family to move in.***



## From the Director...

**T**he world breathed a sigh of relief when the clock struck 12:00 on January 1st and the lights stayed on! I know I did! We prepared for the worst and still have plenty of food and water!

I watched as television showed New Years around the world and all of the celebrations into the new millennium. My thoughts were many (of course, that is not unusual for me!). Lately, in my devotions, the Lord has been showing me the importance of living every day close to Him and seeking His Word. *"Thy word have I hidden in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."* Ps. 119:11

I am challenged as we reach into a new year. How can we reach out to missionaries and better meet their needs?

As I sit here writing, the brick layers are finishing the second basement. Praise the Lord! Lord willing, with good weather we can have the second modular delivered this month.

We have many projects and goals to reach this year, and need the Lord's guidance. We look forward to your involvement with us and ask for your prayers on our behalf.

Thank you for being partners with us as we encourage the Saints of the Lord.

—Larry George

## Coble House Dedication Planned



Siloam Missionary Homes is excited to announce plans for a dedication service in mid March for the homes given by Tom and Deborah Coble in honor of his parents, Mr. P.J. and Donna Coble. Watch for more details to come!

## Isley House Update

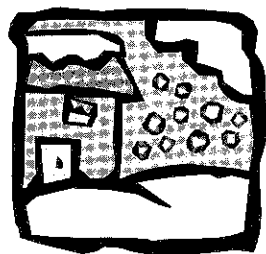
Funds continue to grow as SMH makes plans to begin construction of the Isley House. The health department has approved the site and preliminary drawings are complete. The Isley family has picked out the colors of the cape cod style house and the interior colors. The building site has been staked out and everything is on "go." Our plans at present are to clear the lot and start on the foundation later this month, weather permitting.

Tentative plans are for completion later this year. We will build as the Lord provides. Prov. 24:27 - "Prepare thy work without and make it fit for thyself in the field, and afterwards, build thine house." Are we not preparing the field?? Praise the Lord! Currently, we have about \$17,000.00 towards the \$85,000.00 needed. Isn't it exciting to see the hand of the Lord at work? Help us pray for the remaining funds. To God be the Glory!

## Projects for 2000

*I didn't want to use the word "work" projects, in case that might scare off anyone, but we do have listed many projects that we need to finish up this year. If you or a group would like to finance and do a project, drop us a note or give us a call. We'd love to involve you!*

1. Finish the Coble houses and landscaping
2. Finish the basement apartments in the Coble houses
3. Build another playground, including a jungle gym set
4. Build the Isley House
5. Complete some maintenance on our existing playground
6. Add some interior walls in the office building
7. Enclose the work shop and renovate into a project room
8. Complete landscaping around Burden / Love Chapel
9. Finish the entrance way sign and add lights
10. Put walls, windows and doors on the tractor shed
11. Add a ball field on the property (soccer, basketball, etc.)
12. Siloam Inn - continue development and planning



# WELCOME Snow Birds!

We praise the Lord for folks like *Jim and Barbara Bolhouse from Irons, Michigan*, who came here in October and November to help with projects here. I couldn't hide the keys to their motor home to keep them here, and they left right after Thanksgiving for Florida. The work that both of them did was so greatly appreciated. We look forward to their return next fall!

## IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU...

When a missionary family in transition seeks housing - either going to the field, or returning for a short stay, they face considerable expenditures that usually are not recovered, nor cost effective when considering the period of time involved (usually two to six months).

We believe that Siloam Missionary Homes has the answer. Because of you... a family can save approximately \$909.67 monthly, or \$10,916.00 per year. Your generous giving offsets these expenses. Think how much your gift is multiplied.

We have listed below a cost comparison. This comparison reflects rental of a three bedroom, two bath house in Alamance County. All costs are figured for an average family of four.

### REAL LIFE EXAMPLE

Start-Up Costs	Private Rental	SMH	Savings
First and last	\$1,400.00	\$ 0.00	
Security Deposit	200.00	150.00	
Utility Hook-up	250.00	0.00	
Furniture, appliances,			
Linens, supplies	1,500.00	0.00	
Total start up costs	\$ 3,350.00	\$150.00	\$3,200 savings

Monthly Costs	Private Rental	SMH	Savings
Rent	700.00	0.00	
Electricity	125.00	125.00	
Telephone	20.00	20.00	
Water/sewer	50.00	0.00	
Maint./Utility Fee	0.00	150.00	
Yard Care	25.00	0.00	
Garbage Removal	18.00	0.00	
Total Monthly	\$938.00	\$295.00	\$643 savings

Savings for a missionary family

6 Month Stay = \$ 7,053.00

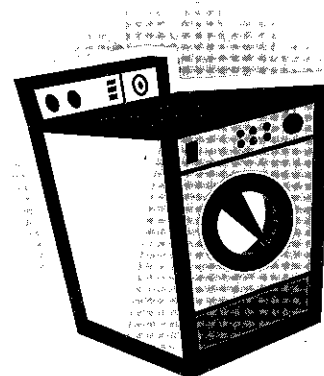
1 Year Stay = \$ 10,916.00

## A Grant Awarded!

*Siloam Missionary Homes was awarded a \$10,000.00 grant from a foundation on January 3, 2000. Ten percent of the grant will be used to start an endowment fund, which will be used for future maintenance and repairs on the homes here at SMH. The remaining \$9,000.00 will be used towards finishing one of the basement apartments. We thank the Lord for this provision and look forward to having another apartment finished!*

## Newsflash Update

In our last newsletter, we mentioned that we had a washing machine hose break and flood the downstairs of the director's home. We praise the Lord that within three weeks, the flooring had been completely replaced and we were able to settle back in. Our insurance company was very helpful and covered the damages. Thank you for your prayers on our behalf.



# Thank You!

HANK & GLORIA RADER for the tractor and attachments.

WAYNE & LAURA DECKER for the sofa, gas grill, turkey & ham.

SHARON SATTERFIELD for the cleaning supplies, towels and other items.

FRANCES LAYTON for the wing back chair, rocking chair, end tables & coffee table, night stand, pillows, rugs, lamps, dressers, bed frame, ceiling fan and curtains, bedspreads, etc.

DWIGHT AND PHYLLIS ZIMMERMAN for bringing the tractor from Tennessee to us.

WILLIAM WALLACE for the fire extinguishers and smoke detectors.

JAY & KIM McDOWELL for the truck and other miscellaneous items.

JOHN & MAXINE EMMERT for the van.

TABERNACLE METHODIST CHURCH for the furniture.

NEW COVENANT FELLOWSHIP LADIES for the canned goods and other items.

HINES CHAPEL CHURCH for the donation towards furnishings for the new house.

DICK & CLAUDIA BURLINGHAM for delivering all the fruit and vegetables and canned goods and all the folks at Maple Grove Bible Church for providing them.

VIRGINIA CRABB for the dining room table and chairs and lamps.

RONNIE & TAMMIE ISLEY for the deer meat and other items.

RICHARD & DOROTHY ROHRER for the vanity and other items.

JIMMY & SANDRA SMITH for the straw.

CHRISTIAN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP for the meat and cakes.

GLORIA RADER for doing the reupholstery of the couch and chair.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH for the kitchen items for the new house.

Dear Coffee Club Members,

As I write today, it is December 31st, the last day of the year.

Of course, by the time you get this newsletter, we will be well into January and hopefully all of the concerns about Y2K will be just a memory and we will wonder what all of the fuss was about???

We have enjoyed having both girls home for the holidays. The older I get and the more time Rachel and Abbey spend away from home, the more I realize how important family is. Rachel was only home for two weeks, and spent much of her time working on odd jobs around the mission property. We really appreciate all she did (a lot of painting, :)). She was really ready to return to Appalachian Bible College to see her friends. She is enjoying playing point guard on the basketball team this year, and it is good to go to her games to watch her play again! Abbey spent a lot of her vacation working at the restaurant that she's worked at for the past few years. She is paying her own tuition for New Tribes Bible Institute, and so needed to work also. She has to be back in Michigan on January 18th, and will begin her second semester there.

I wish I could bring each of you with me to visit the missionary moms who are living here. It is such a blessing to know these ladies and share a little in their lives. Two of our families have sons away at college, and it has been wonderful to watch as they were able to spend time together here this Christmas. Our newest family, Andrew & Norene Brunson, have two preschool age children. The other day as I was leaving the office to go home, I went past the playground and saw Norene sitting on the edge of the play area reading a book as her two children played on the swings and in the sandbox. One of Guller's boys, Neil, had a friend from school with him and they were playing ball in the grass. When I see things like that, it makes all the hard work seem very worth while!

We have had one addition to our Coffee Club since our last newsletter—Bethany Culbertson! God bless you all!

Your "Coffee Mate",  
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 \$

Please designate my one time gift for:

☐ General Fund or ☐ (specify project)

☐ George family tape "He's Been Faithful". \$ enclosed

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