



Siloam Missionary Homes

"providing housing to missionaries for a lifetime..."

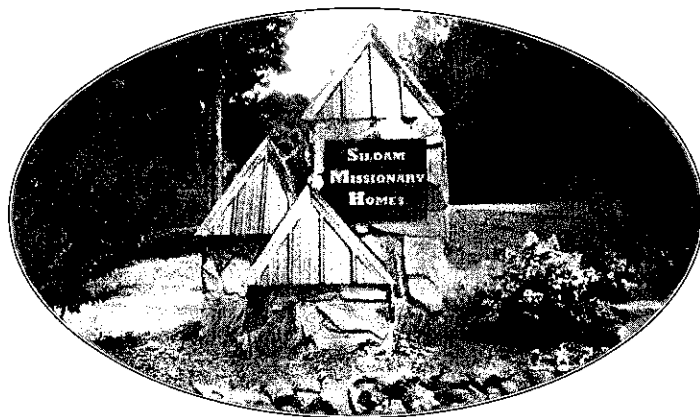
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Our New Logo: One Ministry, Many Facets

Nestled among the trees and rolling hills of Alamance County is a missionary village known as "Siloam." Siloam comes from the Hebrew word "to be refreshed." The ministry of Siloam is divided into the life of a missionary—from the time they are accepted by a mission agency, until they need to retire. We are planning to provide it all!

- ✓ **SHORT TERM HOUSING:** *Day to Day*
- ✓ **FURLOUGH HOUSING:** *Up to a Year*
- ✓ **EXTENDED STAY HOUSING:** *While still part of a mission board (up to 2 years)*
- ✓ **MK HOUSING:** *A transitional home for college age MK's—"a home away from home" (under construction)*



- ✓ **RETIREMENT HOUSING:** *For Missionaries of retirement age who have served 20 years or more (future goal)*

When you drive onto the Siloam Missionary Homes property, these towers will greet you at the entrance. These three towers represent "one ministry, many facets", all pointing toward heaven. It is the Lord who is to receive all of the honor and glory. This picture will be the new logo for Siloam Missionary Homes.

ISLEY HOUSE UPDATE

The roof is on, the doors and windows have been installed, and the rough in plumbing is almost complete. We continue to move ahead with this project as the Lord provides the laborers and finances. The next step will be to run the electrical wiring.

In the last newsletter, I mentioned that this home would be used as a starter home for college age MK's. We have had several inquiries from MK's already. Please pray with us about this much needed home. If you would like to help, please give us a call.



The Isley House will be a wonderful place for college age MK's.



PROJECT CORNER

*"Love isn't just a feeling in your heart,
it is work gloves in your hand"*

We are excited about our summer project for youth groups. This year's summer project is the Missionary Kids Park. After completion, the missionary kids will have access to a volleyball court, tennis court, basketball court, and an obstacle course on the Siloam property. We have already had some youth groups sign up and we are working on others. If you would like to contribute to this project it would be greatly appreciated.

PROJECT 1 - Pathway to Volleyball Court

A. 42 treated 4 x 4	.....\$212.10
B. 21 treated 4 x 6	.....\$106.05
C. 21 2 x 4	.....\$ 31.29
D. Mulch	.....\$ 80.00
E. 21 bags of cement	.....\$ 60.69
Approx. Total (incl. tax & misc.)	..\$597.47

PROJECT 3 - Drain Pipe/Road

A. Rock dust for road	.....\$306.00
B. Drain Pipe 12' x 8" (galv.)	...\$100.00
C. Rick / Rack (1 load)	.....\$100.00
Approx. Total (incl. tax & misc.)	..\$616.81

PROJECT 5 - Basketball Court

A. 24' x 24' x 4' conc. Pad	.....\$570.00
B. Paint for lines	.....\$ 50.00
C. Basketball Goal - donated	.....
D. Fence?
Approx. Total (incl. tax & misc.)?

PROJECT 7 - Obstacle Course Cost?

PROJECT 2 - Volleyball Court/Road

A. Sand for volleyball court	.....\$275.00
B. Rock Dust for road	.....\$320.00
C. Gravel	.....\$ 50.00
D. 2 Bags of cement	.....\$ 20.00
E. 10 Bales of straw	.....\$ 25.00
Approx. Total (incl. tax & misc.)	..\$841.11

PROJECT 4 - Main road down to

volleyball court	.....
A. Rock dust for road	.....\$733.50
Approx. Total (incl. tax & misc.)	..\$894.14

PROJECT 6 - Tennis Court

A. 50' x 100' x 4' conc. Pad	...\$4,692.00
B. Paint for non-slip finish	.....\$ 360.00
C. Paint for lines	.....\$ 100.00
D. Net & post\$?
Approx. Total (incl. tax & misc.)?

In closing I would like to thank all the workers who have given of their time to help us with the fellowship hall, basement apartment, and the Isley House. Without your help it would be harder to keep these projects going. Once again, thank you.

— Russell Catron

Fran Cochran,
missionary to
Venezuela,
stopped by for
a couple of
days to visit,
and he and his
wife, Jan,
helped work
on the staff
apartment.



Lee and Sharon Gebben, friends from Faith Fellowship in Irons, MI (shown here with Lois) worked hard around the property doing odd jobs. Thanks!

THANK YOU!!!

- **Lee & Sharon Gebben** — *We could have never gotten it done without you!*
- **Right Touch Interiors** — *for the carpet donated for the fellowship hall.*
- **The ladies groups from Graham Presbyterian Church and 1st ARP Church of Burlington** — *for all of the paper products.*
- **Pastor & Happy Hinton** — *for the oriental area rug.*
- **Carolina Supply** — *for the gas wall hung water heater for the Isley House.*
- **Pastor Tim & Mary Ann McGee** — *for your hospitality, meals and a place to stay during our trip to Michigan in February.*
- **Orv and Loreen Kropf** — *for a great time of fellowship and your hospitality during our trip.*

Mother's Garden



In the Burden/Love Chapel yard, you will see brick walkways, a fountain with the sound of splashing water, a park bench, blooming flowers, all surrounded by a white picket fence. We call this wonderful place "Mother's Garden," a place where each of us can envision our own mothers and grandmothers toiling in the soil, laboring to make the garden a place of beauty.

At our annual pig pic'n on April 22, 2001, Siloam Missionary Homes will be dedicating this garden in loving memory of Mrs. Betty Barber. Betty and her husband, Curtis, supported SMH through the coffee club. Curtis has also helped with finish grading around two of the homes on the property.

We consider it a real privilege to have known the Barbers and see their desire to serve the Lord. Betty is the mother of Pastor David Jackson, who serves as vice president on the board of directors of Siloam.

HIGHLIGHTS

HOSTESS



Greetings from Siloam. A lot has been going on here since I last wrote you. I would like to start by thanking all of you who sent items and gave money to help us finish the fellowship hall and bunkroom. It has helped tremendously. We had the carpet donated and have had almost enough money to purchase the materials for the drop ceiling, so Lord willing we will be able to finish the fellowship hall in the next couple of weeks.

One big project we will be doing in the next few months is going through the duplex apartments and updating all of the furniture, wallpaper, etc. We always try to keep the homes looking nice for new families that come in. So, as you can see, we will be very busy about the Lord's work in the upcoming months.

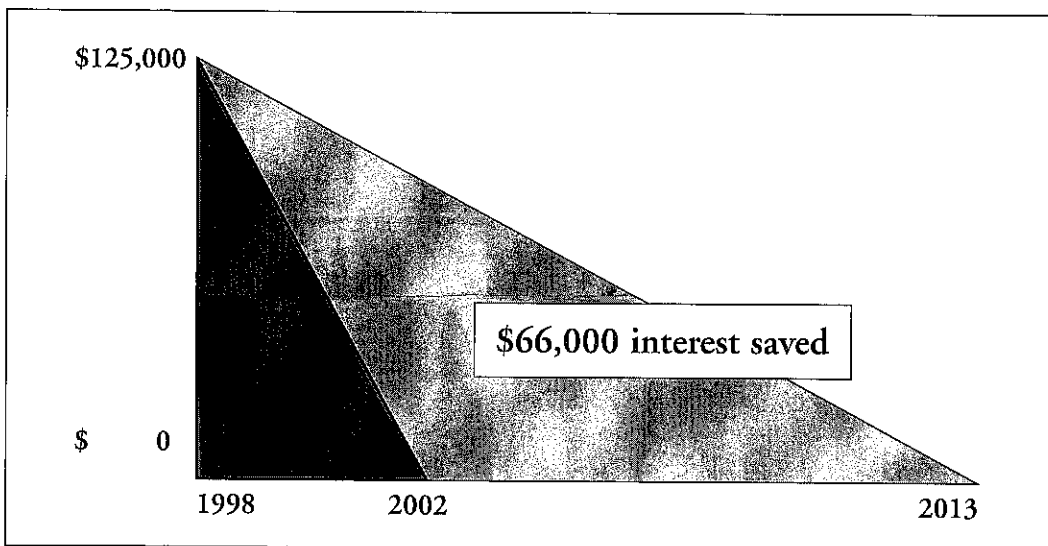
Some items we are in need of are listed below. If you can help with any of these, let us know. We are thankful for all of your prayers and support. God bless you.

- Color TV for fellowship hall — (32" with remote)
- VCR for fellowship hall
- Sheet sets, blankets & pillows — (single size) for bunk room
- Shower curtain, rug, towels & wash cloths for bunk room bath (blue)

— Iva Catron

Faithful Servants

I Cor. 4:2 *"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."*



Siloam Missionary Homes makes every effort to be good stewards of the money that the Lord provides through you and others. Since 1994, when we as a board borrowed the funds needed to pay off the land and build the first duplex, we made the decision not to borrow any additional money, but to build all future projects debt free.

Since that time, everything built or being built is done by this method. We praise the Lord that the original mortgage has been widdled down to about \$73,000. Our goal is to be debt free in 2002. This will save \$66,000.00 in interest alone, and also lower our monthly budget by \$1,033.00 Please pray that our goal can be met. A special thank you to all of you that give regularly towards debt reduction. We see the light at the end of the tunnel!



CHAPLAIN CHALLENGE

Fellowship

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son, Jesus Christ." I John 1:3

I believe the emphasis of this verse is that we should be joined together in Spirit together in fellowship with the Father and the Lord Jesus.

We may get together in fellowship just to work together, or just to have fun together, or just to share burdens together. We need to do that. But, truly, our greatest need is to be joined together in fellowship with the Father and with His Son and in the Word.

"Got any rivers you think are uncrossable?"

Got any mountains you can't tunnel through?"

GOD specializes in things thought impossible,

And He can do what no other power can do.

Faith, mighty faith the promise sees

That looks to God alone;

Laughs at impossibilities,

And shouts, "It shall be done!"

Thanks for joining us in this fellowship!

— Wilbur Abbey,
SMH Chaplain

Stanton Hall



Jerry & Ruth Stanton

We are now completing one of the walkout basements into a fellowship hall for the missionaries here. This 26' x 52' building has a kitchen, two bathrooms, and a bunk room for overnight guests and work groups. We praise the Lord for Orv Kropf of Goshen, Indiana, who was able to ship ceiling panels to us by way of Supreme Corp. We also would like to thank Right Touch Interiors for the carpet, and Frank Martin for the soda machine. This building should be completed by mid April. Please pray for laborers to finish the ceilings and to build overhead kitchen cabinets.

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Stanton were charter contributors to Siloam Missionary Homes. Even though Mr. Stanton passed away several years prior to the ministry beginning, Mrs. Stanton sent funds out of the Stanton Scholarship Fund. Through the years, she sent letters of encouragement to us. We are honored to be able to name the new basement hall in their memory. Their children continue to carry on the Stanton legacy by supporting this project and the ongoing ministry of Siloam Missionary Homes.

This building will be dedicated during our annual pig pic'n, which is scheduled for Sunday, April 22, 2001.

Dear Coffee Club Members,

I don't know if it is safe to say that "spring has sprung" yet, but I know the sun is shining, the daffodils and even some of our fruit trees are blooming! It is so wonderful to be able to get back outside after the cold winter goes away.



Yesterday afternoon as I was walking from the office back to our house, three of the MK teens and Russell were playing basketball, and the Brooks family and another MK was up in one of the playgrounds playing croquet. It thrilled my heart to see the interaction going on among the missionaries living here. It is such a blessing to be a part of making these things possible for these wonderful families.

On the home front, things have been busy, too. Abbey is taking some time off of college and will be home for a while. It is good to have her here again! Rachel is on spring break for the next 10 days, so we hope to have some good family time with them both home. Larry and I have been doing quite a bit of traveling, and have seen many of you. We will be doing some more traveling the first part of April, too.

We have a couple of new coffee club members. Thank you, Debbie Shanklin and Jack and Betty Lloyd for your support! And, thank all of you who so faithfully support this ministry each month. God bless you all!

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 \$ _____

Please designate my one time gift for:

☐ General Fund or ☐ (specify project) _____

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

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