



# Siloam Missionary Homes

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

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## FAMILY CENTER COMPLETED! *By Larry George, President*

*"O, sing unto the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvelous things." Ps. 98.1A*

I wish I could bring each of you here and let you walk the halls of the new Family Center so you could see each miracle that the Lord used to provide this new facility. This is such an answer to prayer and I see the Lord everywhere. As I look out the window, I see missionary children at play. Last night, I walked into the library to see a missionary busy on his computer, hooked up to the new high speed internet.

Looking back over the past year, truly God has indeed done a marvelous thing in building the beautiful Family Center. This wonderful place has quickly become the hub of what's going on at SMH. Missionaries using the library, children and families playing ping pong and foosball in the fellowship hall. It's great to have the offices in the same building, too.

The Family Center has a library, with a state of the art high speed internet for missionary use, with plans for video conferences. There is a study area, two bunkrooms for work groups or overnight missionary housing. There is a great kitchen as well as a fellowship hall for dinners, games and ping pong. This not only helped fill the need for missionary families here but will open doors to the community. Lord willing, we will host many events, including the home schoolers (many of the missionary families home school), and having a breakfast for our local volunteer fire department and police. We have already used the building for 7 different work groups this summer.

Much time, effort and financial sacrifice went into planning and building this magnificent facility. Ground breaking was in May of last year. Building a commercial building required a special contractor and we used Covenant Builders, who did a great job. Because of the size of the facility and cost of material, we knew that once we got started, we had to finish it. We worked with an area bank and had a construction loan and line of credit equal to \$230,000. With over \$100,000 pledged, we began. The cost of material started to go up during the framing stages. OSB board went from \$8.00 to over \$22.00 a sheet. But we knew in our hearts this was God's will to build. Praise the Lord, we completed the building in record time and even with the rising cost of materials were able to build for \$57.00 per square foot, or \$348,000.00. Our insurance carrier figures the replacement cost would be \$762,500.00.

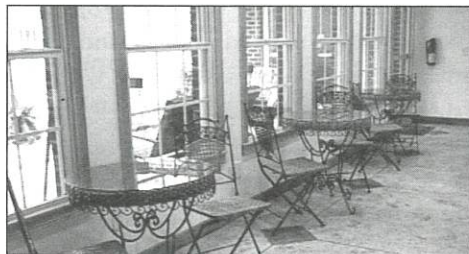
The Lord sure has been good to us and for that we are so thankful. In closing, please pray for God's provision as we work to pay off the loan. We have seen God do great things and know He will continue to bless. God bless each of you.



**The Front of the Family Center.**



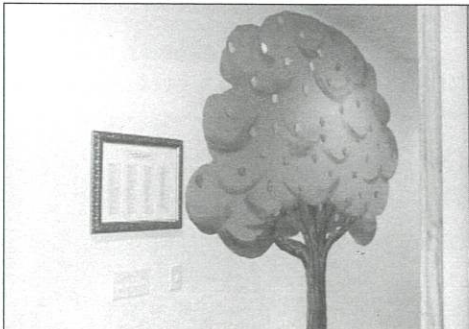
**Everything in our kitchen is a miracle of God.**



**You can sit and have a cup of coffee in Mitchell's Diner.**



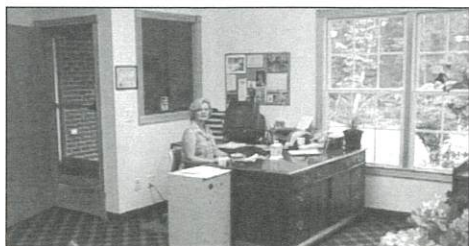
**Terri Morris reads a book to three of her children in the new library, Michael's Corner.**



**Our Donor's Tree mural greets you as you enter the building, with gold leaves representing those who have given to see this building finished.**



**Sara Morris, right, and Erica Isley, left, gave Terri a surprise birthday party while her husband was away traveling**



**Our new office is such a blessing with plenty of storage space.**

# Ready, ACTION!

By Richard Burlingham Jr.,  
*Director of Maintenance*

**T**hat's the way the summer started out. Someone yelled, "Action" and never said "Cut." We received our occupancy permit on the family center two days before the first workgroup arrived and we worked hard to get the rooms set up, finishing about 15 minutes before they pulled in!

From then on, and through the rest of the summer, it has been a whirlwind of activity around the mission. We have had a total of 7 groups this summer so far, and each one has done a great job.

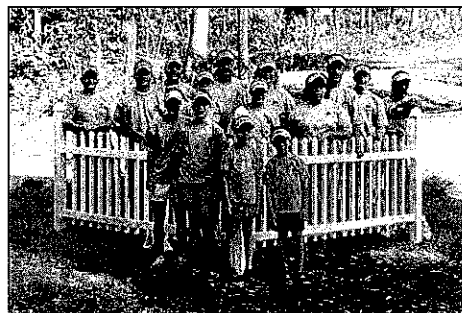
We were able to move into the Family Center, landscape the outside, add lighting around the new parking lot and driveway, add new fence along the front of the property, and paint the interior of one of the homes. I would like to thank each one that came this summer to help with these projects. Without willing servants like these, we would not be able to do these projects. It was great to see old friends and make many new ones this summer. God has surely given us many blessings here at Siloam this summer and we hope and pray that all those who worked on these projects were blessed as well.



**The group completed a mulched walking path behind the new building.**



**The group surprised Larry with a brand new roto tiller sent down by Dave and Janet Johns.**



**Maple Grove teens and adults around a fence they put in the parking lot.**



**Bible Baptist teens tearing down the old fence.**



**The work group in front of the completed fence.**



**Pleasant Hill children helping parents plant and mulch around the front of the new building.**



**Using the tractor to place two large rocks in the middle of the new landscaping.**



**The ladies hard at work digging a trench for the electrical wire for the new outside lights.**



**Roselawn Mennonite Youth project to replace the mud and rocks with a beautiful courtyard behind new building.**



**1st ARP youth sanding a bookcase shelf.**



**Laying the flagstone in the courtyard was a team effort.**



**They had a craft and story time with the missionary kids.**



**Vicksburg Bible Church teens painted the interior of a house to get it ready for a new missionary family.**



# Thanks to Everyone!

• *Jim and Juanita Stone* for the 2 x 4's and sheetrock.

• *Lisa Harris* for the clothing.

• *Maggie Dejournette* for the clothing.

• *Pastor and Mrs. Tommy Love* for the chair, mattress and artificial tree.

• *Scott and Sara Briggs* for the dinner rolls for the pig pic'n.

• *Tami Brush* for the two swags.

• *Lou Ann Brush* for the oil paintings and Tupperware.

• *Teague Farm and Market* for the milk.

• *Dewey and Anna Rainey* for the barbeque, baked beans and slaw for the pig pic'n and for the Roundup.

• *Mary Viers* for the books.

• *Pleasant Hill Christian Church* for doing the landscaping.

• *James & Ann Hamby* for the piano, couch, and high chair.

• *Bobby Puett* for the mattresses.

• *Lindley Mills* for the grits, flour, corn meal, muffin mix, sugar and oil.

• *Danny Hudson and Hudson Cable Corp.* for the use of the Ditch Witch.

• *Robert Rich* for the silverware.

• *Ben and Faye Freshwater* for the groceries.

• *Ladelle Epes* for the food.

• *Robert Jones and Alamance Rescue Mission* for the bunk beds.

• *Sarah Zimmerman* for the green beans

• *John Reynolds* for the fresh vegetables.

• *Mount Olive Ladies Group* for the groceries.

• *Dave and Janet Johns* for the rototiller.

• *Rodney Wilson* for the couch and dining room table and chairs.

• *Doug and Pat Parker* for the books.

• *Ann Bowman* for the use of her cottage.

• *Dr. Lambeth* for the bikes and stove

• *Pastor Larry and Jan Cheek* for the microwave, sewing machine and ironing board.

• *William Holland* for the kitchen items

• *Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newell* for the dining room table and chairs

*Thanks to everyone who has given various items to make Siloam Missionary Homes a nice place for all of the missionary families.*



A donation was  
given in memory of  
*Rick Euwema*  
by *Betty Jo Sickler*.



**Macie taking her doll for a walk on the sidewalk of the Family Center.**

## Dear Coffee Club Members,



Every time I walk into the new Family Center, I have to breathe a prayer of thanks to our Heavenly Father. He doesn't just do things for us, He glorifies Himself by what He does. All of the glory belongs to Him for this marvelous gift.

It has been busy this summer with all of the groups, but it is wonderful to see all the progress that has been made. The photos can't even begin to show you everything that the groups did. How we thank them, and praise the Lord for bringing them to us!

Our family is doing well. We talk to Rachel by e-mail or by phone several times a week. It is hard to believe that she has been gone a month already. Today she began teaching her 5th and 6th grade students. It has been good to hear about what the Lord is doing in her life and what He is teaching her. She has already been involved in lots of ministry opportunities and will be busy this whole year. Please pray for her safety, and that she will be encouraged. She gets a little homesick sometimes.

Mike and Abbey have been a big help to us this summer with the groups and helping get the pig pic'n together. It is such a blessing to see our kids desiring to serve the Lord any way they can. I never take for granted that they are faithful in church, walking with the Lord, and raising Macie to know about Christ. What a wonderful thing it is to sit back and watch our children and grandchildren live their lives day by day. I thought with all of the other pictures in this newsletter, you wouldn't mind if I just slipped in one of Macie...she is so precious.

We have one new Coffee Club member to welcome, Barbara Talley. Thank you to each of you who so faithfully support us each month. You are a blessing to us. God bless each of you.

God bless you,

Your "Coffeemate," *Joyce George*

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