



Siloam Missionary Homes

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

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GIVING GOD THE GLORY

I can feel fall is in the air. The leaves are starting to change, the days are getting shorter. There seems to be so much to do before winter sets in. This morning in my Bible reading, the Lord impressed on me the importance of completing the task at hand. Winter is coming, the fields are white unto harvest.

Proverbs 6:8, *"(The ant) provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest."* Proverbs 10:5, *"He that gathereth in summer is a wise son; but he that sleepest in harvest is a son that causeth shame."*

I believe with all my heart that God has given us a small window of opportunity to reach the world for Christ. But, what are we doing?

At Siloam Missionary Homes, we are advancing the Gospel through the lives of the missionary families. By providing them homes, food and

encouragement, we can help them get to the field.

We have many ministry opportunities here for you to get involved in.

- *Help us fill Dad's Country Store with food and paper products*
- *Help construct a playground*
- *Remodeling projects*
- *Paint the exterior of Unit L*
- *Build an outdoor covered kitchen and re-side the storage unit*
- *Install a wood water stove*
- *Pressure wash the houses*

The list goes on...we need your help. Your labor of love will be a great encouragement to all of us.

Maybe you don't live in the area, but would like to fund a project. The windows of opportunity are open. Get involved today.

Retreats At Siloam Missionary Homes

Siloam Missionary Homes' 6,000 sq. ft. Family Center provides a great, worshipful atmosphere for your church retreat, with the small church in mind. We provide the place for the best retreat possible. Call 336-376-8200 today for details. Dates are limited.



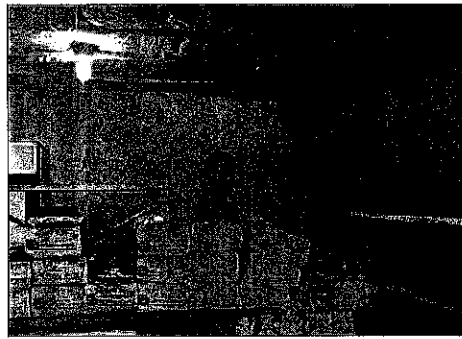
Have your Christmas Dinner at Siloam

We are excited to announce Christmas at Siloam. For a limited time, during the month of December, we open the doors of our Family Center for Christmas. During the past two years, we have provided delicious dinners for various groups and all of the proceeds help SMH minister to the missionary families that live here. Because of the large number of requests, we ask that groups have at least 15 people.

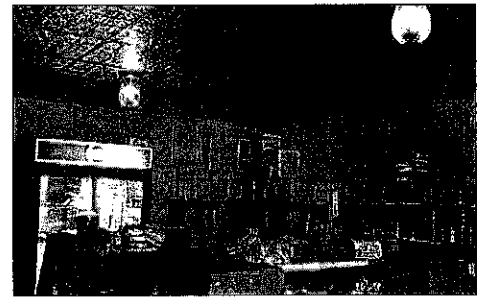
Come enjoy the sights and sounds of Christmas, where your meal will be a special celebration of missions around the world. *Call the office for details at 336-376-8200.*

It's Been A Great Summer!

Maple Grove Church from Topeka, Indiana, brought a group down for a week long project to finish Dad's Country Store. Last summer they built the store, but the ceiling had not been finished. In order to keep the store at a temperature that would help keep the food longer, the walls had to be insulated and a ceiling added so we could put in an air conditioning unit.



The ceiling before it was finished.



The finished ceiling with new lights. New shelves were also added to the store.



Hanging the ceiling.



Unloading the boxes of food donated by the church.



The Prayer Rock path before.

The second project that the Maple Grove group worked on during that week was to replace the sidewalk to the prayer rock. When Siloam Missionary Homes first purchased the property in Snow Camp, the entire property was wooded. One day as Larry and Grandpa Abbey (co-founder of SMH and retired missionary who is now with the Lord) were walking through the woods, they happened upon a rock that looked just like a prayer altar. After that, Larry and Grandpa came to that rock on many occasions to ask God for wisdom and direction as groundwork was laid to build this village for missionary families. This "prayer rock" sits next to the Burden Love Chapel and is a constant reminder of God's leading and blessing on this ministry.



Putting brick pavers in place for the new sidewalk to the Prayer Rock.



Completed sidewalk to the Prayer Rock.



Maple Grove Church group photo.

The second work group to arrive was Bible Baptist Church from New Milford, Connecticut. They also had two projects going on at one time – to build a deck and to re-paint the fence along the front of the property.



During their week at Siloam, Bible Baptist youth got involved in an out-reach. They teamed up with a local pastor who is planting a Spanish speaking church. They made snow cones and cotton candy, put on a puppet show and played soccer. The pastor gave a Gospel message, and several of the Hispanics who attended raised their hands for salvation.



PIG PIC'N IS A HIT!



The missionaries lent a helping hand to put up the 60 x 100' tent to get ready for the pig pic'n.



Music, s'mores and testimonies around the campfire – a great way to start the week



The completed deck with railings is a wonderful addition to this missionary home.



Framing the deck on the Rev. Stanley Building, a one bedroom apartment.



The group took turns washing, scraping and painting the fence.



Bible Baptist Church group photo.



We had a great crowd who attended, enjoying the music and bbq.



The Master's Quartet provided wonderful gospel songs.



A Community Choir backing up Squire Parsons

*A special gift was given by
Virginia Vick in loving
memory of Bonita Cumbie.*

What Vacation Means to Me

BY ABBEY RICH, FAMILY CENTER HOSTESS

Wow! What a summer! 3 kids is quite the change for our family! David is a great baby and sleeping through the night. Preston is "all boy" (*I wonder where that bruise came from today...*) and Macie loves to play outside barefooted or just boss Preston around.

We had a great summer here at Siloam. We had several retreats and dinners, work groups and of course, the pig pic'n. What a good time we had together, but boy did we ever need a vacation! We packed up the trailer with a TON of stuff, put the grandparents on a plane, threw the kids and my sister in the van and headed for Florida. We did a whole lot of "nothing," which was wonderful once we arrived!



It gave me a new appreciation for our ministry. I hope that as missionaries head to Siloam to be able to relax and be together as a family after the amazing stress of being overseas, they will be as excited to see their house here as we were to smell the ocean air! And most importantly, that they will look at each other when the time comes to leave, as we did, and say, "Okay, we are ready to go back and minister where God has called us!"

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Dear Coffee Club Members,

As you can see, we have had a busy, busy summer. Work groups, retreats, missionary families, meetings...we are so blessed! As I look at our calendar for the rest of the year, it will continue to be busy. We are so thankful that God is using this place to reach so many people. Please pray that we will always be sensitive to what God is doing around us and that we will be willing vessels to His honor and glory.



Would you please remember our daughter, Rachel, in your prayers? By the time you receive this newsletter, she will be recovering from surgery on her shoulder. She hurt herself at work, and has been off for several weeks. She is also asking the Lord to give her a different job that will give her more time to get involved here at Siloam.

Macie, Preston and David continue to be the joy in our lives as we watch them grow and learn. Hardly a day goes by that Macie doesn't say something that just makes us laugh. Preston is such a "boy" and hardly ever doesn't have some kind of bump or bruise on him. David is laughing and talking baby talk — it won't be long till he is trying to keep up with his brother and sister.

Mike and Abbey have worked hard all summer, feeding and working with the work groups, doing daily maintenance on the homes and yards, and organizing dinners and retreats. There is no greater joy that to know that our kids are involved in the Lord's ministry with us.

We are so encouraged when we have individuals or groups join the Coffee Club to help us provide homes for the missionary families. We have had one new member since our last newsletter — the Ixthus Sunday School Class from Bear Creek, NC. God bless you!

Thank you for faithfully standing with us.

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.)

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