## January 17, 2008

Dear Friends of Siloam Missionary Homes,

Greetings in the wonderful name of our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ. We had a great and fruitful year in the Lord. In 2007, SMH provided homes for 37 adults, 46 children, and more than 40 overnight guests. We had 64 dinners or retreats in our Family Center. One of the highlights of the year was our annual pig pic'n in September.

In our last newsletter, I mentioned that we were praying that God would lay it on the hearts of people to support the ongoing work of Siloam. Since August, we have received over \$15,000.00 in special gifts of \$1,000 or more. And, we have had several join the coffee club, to support the ministry on a monthly basis. Several churches have also begun supporting Siloam regularly. Even though we have yet to reach our goal, we continue to pray for the support needed for our 2008 budget (see attached).

A few of the many projects that were done in 2007 are:

Began a new missionary home

Remodeled one of the homes

Built the new playground

Put in a new driveway for units J & M

Put new carpet and ceramic floors in another home

## **New Faces**

Pastor Milton and his wife, Betty, are joining us as "associate missionaries." They will minister as "Missionary Pastoral Care." Their ministry is to help our missionary families in prayer and fellowship. Over the years, we have seen Siloam grow and double in size, with 12 families and many children. We could see the need to pray and spend more time with them, be an encouragement. Since Wilbur Abbey passed away, we have prayed that God would raise up a couple that would have the time and experience to help us minister. Our thoughts and hearts continued to go back to the Wilders, a couple who deeply love both the Lord and missionaries. God has answered our prayers. Please pray for Milton and Betty, as this is quite a transition for them after 37 years as Pastor of Hines Chapel Church. We encourage you to consider supporting them. You can send your tax deductible gift to Siloam - just let us know it is for them. Lord willing, they will be with us by summer.

*Henry Hagood*, who built the oak kitchen cabinets in the Family Center, as well as other projects around Siloam, will join our maintenance staff on February 1. He will be working with Mike on buildings and grounds. He will be a tremendous asset to the ministry.

In December, an independent finance review committee met to go over the operations of Siloam. They determined that SMH is in good standing and has good business practices in place. They also put together a few recommendations for the board of directors to review during their annual board meeting on Jan 19<sup>th</sup>. This report is available upon request.

In closing, we would like to thank you for being part of our missionary family. It is such a privilege to serve and we ask that you continue to pray for us. May God continue to bless you in 2008.

Because of Christ,

Larry George

President

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