



Siloam Missionary Homes

A place missionaries call home

July 16, 2009

And let us consider one another to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:24-25

Dear Friends,

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I pray today that this letter will encourage you in the Lord and that God will continue to bless you. I know He is blessing me! It is hard to believe that the first half of 2009 is already gone.

For me, I am reminded of the time many years ago as my family was traveling from Michigan to Florida for vacation, my two girls were sitting in the back seat and would ask, "Are we there yet?" To make time go by quickly, Joyce and I would make a list for them to mark off the states as we went through them. When we finally crossed the state line into Florida, Rachel and Abbey were disappointed to know that we still had to travel for 4 more hours. Seeing their faces in the rear view mirror, I quickly rolled down my window and said, "Can you smell the ocean?" Soon, we would cross the international waterway and catch a small glimmer of the ocean and know we were almost there. I then would turn towards the familiar road to the condo and they knew we were there.

Our journey in life in so many ways is like our vacation trips. Using milestones and catching glimpses along the way. I think about how the Apostle Paul encouraged people through his writings to keep pressing forward – "I press toward the mark" (the goal, our destination, heaven).

God has truly blessed us this year. Yes, we have hit potholes and slowed for detours and construction, but we continue on God's plan for the ministry.

Some "mile markers of praise..."

- ◀ Our radio program, A Place Missionaries Call Home, on WTRU Radio has resulted in over 120,000 hits to our website
- ◀ Our missionary homes are full and the list of applications continues to grow
- ◀ We praise the Lord for the hundred of boxes of food that have been provided for our food pantry for the missionary families
- ◀ Praise for completion of the entrance way
- ◀ Praise for the work that has been done on Papa's Workshop
- ◀ Praise for new tile floors, countertops and kitchen back splashes in three of our homes
- ◀ Praise for a donation that paid off our line of credit and enabled us to pay down the debt some

We do have so much to be thankful for! One of our pressing prayer requests is that the Lord would provide for us to pay off the entire debt of the ministry. I believe this would honor the Lord to not be in debt. All of the projects that have been done or are being done, have been with "designated" funds.

Some projects that we would like to see completed this year are:

- ◀ Papa's Workshop
- ◀ Several decks need repairs
- ◀ Replace aging light poles
- ◀ To put tile in the kitchen and dining area of the Isley House

Future goals:

- ◀ Pay off the existing debt of \$317,905.01
- ◀ Create a long term endowment for upkeep of the facilities
- ◀ Black top the roads and driveways
- ◀ Multi-plex facility for year around play area for missionary families

I close by thanking you for your prayers and financial support. We would love the opportunity to share what God is doing here at Siloam Missionary Homes. I leave you with this passage in I Thess. 5:24, 25 *"He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it. Brethren, pray for us!"*

Because of Christ,



Larry George
President