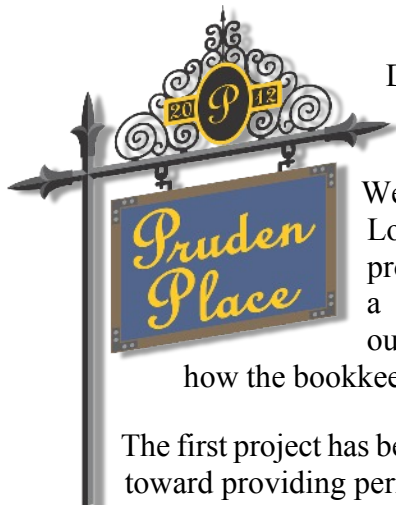


Winter 2012

Dear Friends,



We start the new year looking forward to what the Lord has in-store. Bible Basics has three major projects in the works. One will reach people in a physical way, the next will be a spiritual outreach, and the last will be a major change in how the bookkeeping is done here at the mission headquarters.



The first project has been in the works for two years now. Bible Basics has been working toward providing permanent housing for as many people as possible in the country of Haiti. We are getting closer to being able to purchase and ship the first container of six houses. We have almost enough money. Rev. Drake has done the research to determine who will get the first of the houses and the type of house we would like to supply, but we have run into a roadblock that only the Lord can knock down. The roadblock is on the Haiti end of the shipping process. Many relief shipments sent to Haiti are held at the port where they sit for many months waiting for the very high import duties to be paid. Please pray with us that a solution to the shipping problem would be found and that the rest of the money we need would come in.



The Togo radio project is still in the works. We have been working on designs for the studios that will need to be built. There are still many hurdles to overcome. We will need staff to run and manage the radio station and a radio engineer to keep the equipment up and running properly. We also need the funds. Although we don't have figures at this point, we do know that the costs will be significant. Please remember the Togo project in your prayers. With so many items to be worked out, only the Lord is able to direct us in the best, most efficient course. He is the only one who can see the entire project from beginning to end.

For the past twelve years Bible Basics has been using an accounting program that was custom written for us by a long time friend of the mission. At the time the program was exactly what we needed to keep track of all of the detail we need. This program was part of the accounting system that worked well when we had just a few families on staff. Now the staff has grown by three or four fold. We have added the ministries in Honduras and India and will be adding Togo. The current system keeps track of a staggering amount of detail about where every dollar comes from and goes to, but it requires a lot of manual entry into a whole slew of spreadsheets. This not only requires hours and hours of work but it tends to lead to errors that require more time to straighten out for everything to balance. Eugene Priddy, my mom Sharon, and I are in the process of switching over to a commercially available piece of software that will reduce the workload once it is implemented. The word "implemented" hardly conveys the amount of time involved in making sure we have it set up correctly. It needs to supply all of the detail we currently get for our records and the audit without the endless hours of data entry the current system requires. Please pray that the Lord would guide us in the path that leads us to a working accounting system that reduces the workload.

On a personal front, Leanne, Daniel and I have been doing well. Daniel is halfway through his first year of school. He has learned a lot about social interaction that will serve him well next year in kindergarten. The education about following the rules has been slow in sinking in but he's doing better. Leanne has been enjoying the three hour break she gets during the day while he is at school. Daniel is a high energy extrovert and Leanne is not, so the break during the day has been a good time for Leanne to decompress. Through the use of some Christmas gifts I was able to complete a project that I have been wanting to do for a while. We now have a new wind rated garage door that doesn't have cracks in it and isn't patched together with wood and angle iron.



Daniel & His Cousins

The next project will be to use the gift cards we got for Christmas to install a water softener. We are hoping this will help with the skin problems Daniel has at times, along with all of the other benefits of having soft water.

Thank you, to all of you who sent in extra support during the Christmas season. It allowed for Leanne and I to get our only full paycheck of 2011. While the Lord has been supplying our needs, finances have been really tight. Our support level was up to about 77% but we lost about 20% percent of that at the end of 2010. The level has recovered somewhat and is now at about 64%. Despite the financial situation in the rest of the world, God's economy is working. We are praying that the Lord would direct us to other sources of support that would allow for a little more breathing room. Please consider whether you might be used of the Lord to be one of those sources. May God bless you throughout the new year.

In His Service,

Brett & Leanne

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