

Dear Saints and Friends of Gabriel House,

It is July 13, 2008. Where has the time gone? Didn't we just celebrate the New Year?

Ted and I are still unpacking boxes and sharing things with others that we no longer have need of or room for. You should see the old Angel's Wing. It is beautiful. All of the little glitches that come with an older house, a fixer upper if you will, have been dealt with. This is Ted and my first owned house ever. A generous donor helped us make the \$5,000.00 down payment and the land owner accepted our offer and kept the payment at \$300.00 per month for the next almost 7 years. What a dream come true! Thanks to the help of construction groups from the US, groups who just stopped by to help haul boxes and furniture and groups of men from two local Christian discipleship programs the fixing, painting, hauling and putting away got done. Thank you everyone who was a part of it. You blessed us greatly.

We have two US summer interns Adria Murphy and Becky Wiggins. Adria is working on a degree in communications for the handicapped and Becky comes with much experience in childcare. We also have a volunteer from Monterey, Mexico, Sarai. Sarai has almost completed her degree in Early Childhood Education, What a blessing these three are. They work with the boys and the toddlers before lunch and help with the physical therapy of the children in the afternoon. They are answers to prayer.

Folks, once again we are struggling with our budget.

We need more funds coming in to meet the needs of the 38 children we serve. Giving is way down and our workers are suffering the brunt of an economic recession. This pay period they have only received 60% of their pay and there is another pay period looming on the horizon. We urgently need your help. Please prayerfully consider if you can give this month and in the months to follow.

Ted and I personally give one third of our own funds to Gabriel House but it is not enough. Social Security and a retired Army sergeant's pension is not a lot of moneyJ.

We answer to two governments on how we use the funds provided to us. We would be happy to provide you with a monthly breakdown of expenses upon your request if you would like to see what it costs to operate Gabriel House and how your contributions are used. We answer to God on how your contributions are used and they are spent with that in mind.

Please help the children if you can.

God bless you in the mighty name of Jesus,
Renie, Ted and the 38 Munchkins.
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