

TANNERS 2 MISSIONARY ACRES

Serving God's Servants



Hello Praying Friends,

It's hard to believe that March is nearly halfway over already. Along with flowers and growing grass, spring at Missionary Acres brings volunteers and work groups.

It's always a blessing to have these dear folks on site. As they tackle various projects, they help make a dent in the never-ending "to-do" list here at the Acres.

Volunteers play a crucial role in the operation of this ministry. Our volunteers come from different walks of life and have varying skillsets. Some may stay for just a few days, while others may spend multiple weeks or even months on site. Regardless of their background or the length of their stay, each volunteer brings unique gifts and talents that help keep Missionary Acres running smoothly.

From construction projects to landscaping, there's always something to be done. Their willingness to serve and hard work are greatly appreciated by all of us here at the Acres. But it's not just their physical labor that makes our volunteers so valuable. Their presence brings joy and encouragement to the full-time staff and residents. The friendships formed often last long after they leave – and many groups make return visits year after year.

We are so thankful for our all our volunteers – past, present and future. We simply couldn't do what we do here without them!

Missionary Acres Update

Missionary Acres is its own public utility, which means the staff is licensed with the state of Missouri and responsible for providing (and maintaining) the water and sewage systems to the houses. The task is a huge one, especially when considering the size of the property and aging infrastructure.

In the past several months, the team has dug up several hundred feet of old Orangeburg pipe and replaced it with PVC. They're currently tackling another section of the property.

While it's never fun to wade around in sewage, it's a necessary and important task. We want everyone to be able to flush their toilets and take a shower

Praises

- Baby Marcus is growing and developing well, and the family is finding a "new normal" with a newborn in the house.
- The Raines family is getting closer to full support. It'll be such a blessing to have them join the staff here!
- Several volunteers are scheduled to visit Missionary Acres in 2025!
- We get to pick up Jayme for a weekend later this month so she can meet Marcus.

Prayer Requests

- Salvation for our children who aren't yet saved.
- Spiritual growth for the family.
- Wisdom for Bryan as he serves as the Director here at Missionary Acres and juggles the many responsibilities that come with that position and as he leads the other team members here.
- Mr. & Mrs. Albright, our fulltime volunteers: both have been very sick lately, even hospitalized for a couple of weeks. They are back home again but still recovering.
- Mr. and Mrs. Harris: For continued strength as they continue to recover from hospital stays earlier in the year.
- Opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us.
- Health for the residents and staff at the Acres.
- Two new residents to move to the Acres in 2025.
- Owen's upcoming appointment at the movement disorder clinic

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Let's Keep In Touch



without anything backing up.

Of course, sewage pipe repair isn't the only project in the works. There's always a lot going on here at the Acres.

We have one volunteer couple currently here, with several more groups scheduled in the coming weeks and months. Here are some of the projects the team is hoping to tackle with our volunteers:

- Removing carpet from the stairs and entryway at Lot 70
- Cleaning up from the remodeling at Lot 70
- Beginning some minor demolition at Lot 15
- Sprucing up two bathrooms and a kitchen at Lot 15
- Painting at Lot 15
- Hanging and finishing sheetrock on the walls at the new build (Lot 65)
- Mowing and trimming around the property
- Replace multiple culverts across the property
- Rework the roads and ditches throughout the property
- And so much more

We'll also be completing work on Lot 54 – where our new staff members, the Raines, will be moving into when they finish deputation. It'll be such a blessing to have them here, so we'd appreciate your prayers for them as they raise the last of their support.

Finally, Bryan has been working hard on the office side of the ministry. The fiscal year ends on 3-31, so in addition to the regular bill paying and book balancing, he's preparing financial reports for the ministry and tackling year-end paperwork.

Tanner Family Update

Baby Marcus is already a month old. We're adjusting to life with a newborn and have resumed most of our regular activities. It always feels nice to find a new normal.

Owen has an appointment later this week in St. Louis at the movement disorder clinic. It'll be his first evaluation there since his long hospital stay last year, so we're looking forward to that. His strength and balance still haven't returned 100%, so it'll be nice to touch base with his care team about that.

Later this month, we're planning on picking Jayme up for a weekend so she can meet her new baby brother. It'll be so special to spend some time with all twelve of our kids together!

Thank you for your prayers!

With love,

Bryan & Lisa Tanner & Family