

TANNERS 2 MISSIONARY ACRES

Serving God's Servants



Greetings from Missionary Acres! We trust this letter finds you well and rejoicing in the Lord's faithfulness.

This month, we wanted to share an amazing story of God's provision with you.

In November 2025, our management team at Missionary Acres faced a sobering reality: we were projected to end our fiscal year with a \$55,000 deficit.

The reasons were clear—and exciting. God had blessed us abundantly with skilled volunteers throughout the summer and fall, allowing us to make remarkable progress on long-awaited projects. For the first time in years, we had the labor to prepare five houses, with one more on pace for completion by the time our fiscal year ends in March. We're also nearing the finish line on the new home we broke ground for back in 2020.

Beyond housing, we tackled essential infrastructure improvements that had been needed for years: replacing well over 1,000 feet of sewer line, upgrading a major culvert project with more than a dozen new installations, adding multiple water meters, installing a vital French drain, completing some ditch work, and much more. These were necessary steps forward, but they came with real costs—supplies, rented equipment, and occasional contracted help.

As more laborers arrived and projects came to fruition, we rejoiced in God's provision of people and progress. Yet we also recognized the financial reality: we were spending significantly more than usual.

Then, in December, a substantial gift arrived unexpectedly. A faithful donor transferred stock to Baptist Mid-Missions, with instructions to sell it and direct the proceeds to Missionary Acres.

When we reached out to thank the donor, we learned the beautiful backstory: the planning had begun over a year earlier. This brother in Christ had prayerfully organized the donation long before we even realized the shortfall we would face. In fact, neither of us knew the exact need at the time the plans began. But God did.

What a reminder of His perfect foreknowledge! While we were faithfully pressing ahead, God was already orchestrating provision behind the scenes—prompting a sensitive heart to act in advance so the resources would arrive at precisely the right moment.

For the record, Missionary Acres does not typically run deficits. By God's

Praises

- Lots 65 and 66 are on track to be completed soon.
- We've recently had a couple of potential residents come to check out the Acres in person.
- God's provision is incredible! What an awesome God we serve.
- We enjoyed a wonderful Christmas together as a family and are looking forward to seeing what God does in 2026.

Prayer Requests

- Salvation for our children who aren't yet saved and spiritual growth for the family.
- Opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us.
- Safety and wisdom as the staff completes work on Lots 65 and 66 and begins work on additional projects.
- Healing for Lisa's big toe, she broke it at the very beginning of the year by accidentally knocking a bench over onto it.
- Wisdom as we plan our ministry trip for this spring. We will be driving a new route to Washington, and visiting a new church in Minnesota and a college in North Dakota that a couple of our teens are interested in.
- Safety as we drive to southern Illinois for a couple of short ministry trips in February.

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Let's Keep In Touch



grace, we've been able to set aside modest reserves year after year—enough to give us confidence to address these critical infrastructure needs without panic. We monitor our budget closely, forecast regularly, discuss finances monthly as a team, and report quarterly to Baptist Mid-Missions.

In November, as some projects expanded in scope and cost due to unforeseen complications, we experienced an unusual peace about it all. Then December revealed why: God had been working on the solution long before we saw the problem.

We Praise God for His provision!

Missionary Acres Update

We are gearing up to say goodbye to our full-time volunteer, Daniel Albright, who has **faithfully served** here since 2023. Daniel is following the Lord's leading to move to Colorado to be closer to some of his children. We are thankful for his time with us and pray God's continued blessings on him in this new chapter.

Lots 65 and 66 are nearing completion and will soon be ready for residents! We are actively looking for qualified individuals at or nearing retirement age who may be interested in living at Missionary Acres. If you know of anyone who could benefit from this unique community of retired missionaries, pastors, and Christian workers, please contact us—we'd love to connect with them.

The property recently celebrated its annual Birthday Party for Everyone, complete with an engaging white-elephant gift exchange and a delicious, shared meal. Events like these truly highlight the warm community spirit that speaks so loudly at the Acres—fellowship, laughter, and gratitude to the Lord who brought us all together.

Tanner Family Update

Our family is currently in the midst of planning a trip to the Pacific Northwest! We plan to leave toward the end of April and return to the Acres in late June or early July. During this time, we'll be visiting both new churches and current supporting churches in multiple states across the Midwest and Pacific Northwest.

We're especially looking forward to being at our sending church, Chewelah Baptist, for their anniversary Sunday in May. It'll be wonderful to reconnect with friends and family in Washington.

Lord willing, we'll also be visiting a college along the way that our son Jeffrey is interested in attending after he graduates high school in 2027. We're thankful for this opportunity to explore options prayerfully as he looks ahead to the next chapter and follows God's direction for his future.

Please pray for wisdom as we work through the logistics of traveling with 14 people—schedules, transportation, accommodations, and all the details that go into a trip like this. We are trusting the Lord to guide every step!

~Bryan & Lisa Tanner & Family