

TANNERS 2 MISSIONARY ACRES

Serving God's Servants



Happy February,

As we engage in strategic planning for the coming fiscal year at Missionary Acres, Proverbs 16:9 serves as the heart of our approach: "A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps."

While we carefully devise our plans, set goals, and prioritize projects, we rely on the Lord to direct every step forward. Your faithful prayers are invaluable as we seek His wisdom and guidance in this intentional season of preparation.

As director of Missionary Acres, Bryan spends much of his time in strategic planning and leadership to ensure this ministry continues serving retired missionaries effectively for years to come.

With our fiscal year, which runs from April through March, ending March 31, the team has been deeply engaged in preparing for the next fiscal year. Budget discussions will begin in the coming weeks, so the last month has been focused on prayerfully setting goals, sharing ideas across the team, prioritizing needs, and discerning which projects to pursue in FY 2026.

Among the key priorities emerging are:

- Additional home remodels to prepare for incoming residents and maintain our commitment to comfortable, accessible housing.
- Creating a "laundromat"-style shared laundry area for the team to efficiently clean bedding and towels from our guest spaces.
- Property improvements, including replacing aging road signs to enhance safety and welcome for visitors and residents alike.

These projects reflect our ongoing desire to steward the facilities well while anticipating growth in our resident community. We're asking the Lord for wisdom as decisions are finalized and for provision to move forward on what He deems best.

Praises

- Our recent ministry trip to Illinois was a blessing
- Bryan and Lisa were able to attend a couple's retreat here in Missouri. Jayme and the older kids watched everyone and held the fort down while we were away.
- Marcus learned to walk the day before his first birthday. He has so much fun walking around the house!
- An upcoming wedding in the Missionary Acres family.
- The kitchen went in at Lot 65!

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 Lot 37.
- 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.
- Wisdom for the Missionary Acres staff as they plan and prepare for the next fiscal year.

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Let's Keep In Touch



Missionary Acres Update

We praise the Lord for visible progress on our homes! The kitchen at Lot 65 was recently installed. Mike from Ole's Plane Old Woodshop in Minnesota came down with a crew, and they installed beautiful custom cabinets in the kitchen, laundry room, and bathrooms. Be on the lookout for a video walk-through of this house in the coming weeks—we're excited to show you how this new build has progressed. It'll make a wonderful home.

In some exciting community news, wedding bells will soon be ringing at the Acres! One of our residents (a widower) will be marrying someone already connected to the Missionary Acres community. Her parents were on staff years ago, and she's been a faithful volunteer at our yard sale. It'll be wonderful for her to join the Missionary Acres family later this spring. Please pray for this couple as they prepare for their wedding and begin life together in this special community.

Tanner Family Update

Earlier this month, we took a quick ministry trip to Alton, Illinois, where Bryan shared a refreshed ministry update with one of our supporting churches. It was a sweet time of fellowship.

Much of the preparation for this visit (and for upcoming church updates) involved Bryan pouring significant time into revamping our presentation materials. Since the last version was created during our deputation days, it was time for a complete refresh to reflect our current reality on the field.

He designed new slides that highlight ongoing projects, share meaningful resident stories, and dive into the heart of our calling here: serving and honoring those who have faithfully served the Lord for decades.

Bryan also took the opportunity to redesign our family prayer card. The previous one didn't include our youngest, Marcus, so this marks the fourth or fifth iteration over the years as our family has grown!

If you'd like one of our updated prayer cards, just let us know—we'd be happy to send one your way! (And if you're part of one of our supporting churches in the Pacific Northwest, we're looking forward to hand-delivering them during our visit later this spring!)

In other family news, we just finished our "birthday season"—five birthdays in three fun-filled weeks! Lots of laughter, ice cream, and family memories made it a sweet time of celebration.

~Bryan & Lisa Tanner & Family