

# Tanners Missionary Acres

*Serving Respected Heroes of the Faith!*

*1 Timothy 5:17 worthy of double honour*

Hello,

We are praising God for good roads, and safe travels.

In every state we travel, we see cars in the ditch or wrecked on the side of the road. But praise God, we have not joined them.

As I write this, I've been reflecting on some close calls over the years. I remember one time when we came around a corner on an interstate highway and had to go from 65 MPH to 0 MPH in a very short distance. I thought for sure the tow truck behind us (a large flatbed truck with a load on it) was going to ram the back of our van. But praise God, the driver saw us at the last minute, hit his brakes, and headed for the shoulder. He stopped with his cab parallel to our van, and didn't hit us.

We've experienced many other similar instances over the years, where we avoided a crash by nothing short of the grace of God. We do not take this for granted. Nearly every time we get into a vehicle to travel, one of us will either pray, or we'll ask one of the children to pray for our safety. And we know we aren't the only ones praying for traveling mercies. We thank all of you who faithfully pray for the safety of our family as we're on the road. God hears those prayers, and we benefit from them.

We're currently back in the Pacific Northwest, where we'll be staying for the rest of this month. Our travels will take us to Oregon and Idaho in the coming weeks, before we start heading towards Missouri again in early June. We'd appreciate continued prayers for our safety.

## **Missionary Acres Update**

The Missionary Acres Resident Association held the May edition of their biannual yard sale. Praise God, that although some of the supply of items was lower than in previous years, they still had a profitable sale.

We praise God that a work group came at the beginning of May and worked hard on multiple projects around the Acres. Another group of volunteers is scheduled to arrive the first week of June. Please pray for their safety while traveling and as they complete tasks around the property.

It is such a blessing to the staff to have folks come along side us and work so hard for the benefit of the residents. We have many projects going on simultaneously and can always use a few extra sets of hands. If you or your church would like to make a trip to Missouri to volunteer for a few days, a week, weeks, or perhaps longer... please get in contact with us or Director Hemsworth ([director@missionaryacres.com](mailto:director@missionaryacres.com)). Mission trips can be very beneficial (you can read about some of the benefits in this post: <https://>

## *Praises*

- Bryan passed the water tests and is officially certified
- We introduced our ministry to two churches in South Dakota
- We were able to take the kids to Mount Rushmore while in South Dakota
- We arrived safely in Washington
- Another hard-working team of volunteers came to the Acres
- Jayme passed her finals and finished her sophomore year. She was approved for summer work and starts that shortly to pay for next year's room and board

## *Prayer Requests*

- Salvation for our children who are not yet saved
- Sally hasn't been sleeping or napping well since we arrived in WA
- Owen begins taking a new medication soon, please pray there wouldn't be crazy side effects
- The health and safety of the dear saints at Missionary Acres
- Safety on the roads and good meetings as we finish this trip
- Owen's insurance to approve a new canopy for his enclosed bed
- Additional staff members to join the Missionary Acres team, especially those with construction experience
- For more work groups to schedule (and arrive)
- To complete the remodel project for the Langdon family so they can move out of temporary housing

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### Tanner Family Update

While on the road, Bryan logged into the Missouri Department of Resources website and confirmed that he passed both the water distribution and water treatment exams he took last month, thus making him a certified operator in Missouri. Praise God! Missionary Acres has needed a second qualified person on staff for many years.

Bryan has already been able to put the new knowledge he learned in the water classes to good use. For example, right before we left Missouri, during one of the daily chlorine samples taken, Manager Ken Moon noticed that the residual amount was too low. Some troubleshooting ensued, and Bryan was able to correctly diagnose and repair the problem with the chemical pump and get the system back up and running in about an hour. We praise God that repairs could be made quickly, the system did not have to be taken offline, and the water supply to the residents was not interrupted.

While traveling, we have had the opportunity to present the ministry of Missionary Acres in a couple of new churches. The entire family was also able to sit down and get better acquainted with a pastor of a church that some of our friends have been attending for years. Please pray that there will be continued opportunities to meet new churches and build relationships as we travel.

We have heard it said many times that Missionary Acres is the "best kept secret." We desire to share this ministry with as many people as God allows and no longer have it be a "secret".

We genuinely believe in 1 Timothy 5:17-18:

*"Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine. For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward."*

It has been an honor to us to be able to serve at Missionary Acres, and we continue to look for others who would like to partner with us in serving the respected heroes of the faith who call Missionary Acres Home.

As mentioned earlier, we still have a few small trips planned during our time here. We're looking forward to giving updates in a couple of churches.

In addition, Bryan will be preaching in our home/sending church (Chewelah Baptist Church) on May 28th. As we mentioned last month, our pastor is retiring and moving away from the area. Please keep him and his wife in your prayers as they transition to a new season of life. Please also join us in prayer as the church continues the search for a new pastor. We appreciate the heart of the pulpit committee chairman who stated this past week, "God already knows who our next pastor will be; we just need to pray him here."

~ Bryan & Lisa Tanner & Family