

Tanners Missionary Acres

Serving Respected Heroes of the Faith!

1 Timothy 5:17 worthy of double honour

Hello Prayer Warriors,

If you follow us on Facebook ([facebook.com/tanners2ma/](https://www.facebook.com/tanners2ma/)) then you know it finally happened to us. We have been so blessed as we have traveled across the country multiple times over the past few years for ministry without ever having a breakdown. Well, we finally had our first.

After leaving Lewiston, ID to drive back towards Missionary Acres, we noticed a bad shake when coming down a steep grade. Since it was mostly when braking above 60 MPH, we assumed it was going to be a brake problem and hoped to make it back to Missouri before having to worry too much about it. The second major mountain grade changed our minds very quickly, and we knew we were going to have to stop.

Bryan pulled over and visually inspected the vehicle, checked the brakes for excessive heat, and then noticed that all four tires had bad inside cupping to the point where almost no tread was showing on two of the tires. So we turned around and headed to the nearest tire shop.

The bad news was that at least one of the tires was separating, but because of the wear, we really needed four new tires. Praise God, the shop had them in stock, installed them, performed an alignment, and we were only delayed about 5 hours. There was also a park right across the street for the kids to play at while the work was getting done.

After leaving that shop, we noticed that the van had a good alignment, Bryan could let go of the steering wheel and the car would go straight, but the steering wheel was turned to the side quite a bit. So, the next morning, we went to another shop to get the steering wheel straightened out and to replace the two trailer tires. They'd gotten beat up quite a bit when we were bouncing down the road the day before. We were delayed another couple of hours.

So long story short, our return trip to Missouri included six new tires, two alignments, and about 7 to 8 hours of delays over two days.

But God – these might be my two favorite words in the Bible. Just do a quick search some time and you might see why! – God blessed us so much throughout the whole process.

First, we didn't have a blow out on the highway, which could have caused additional damage, a tow truck, and a lot more delay. The supplies we needed were in stock at both stores we stopped at. Both places were able to work us in relatively quickly. And since we went to the same franchise, we didn't have to pay more for the second alignment.

Also, we still made all our planned stops on the way home – we had pre-paid all of our hotels on the return trip because by doing so we were able to get better pricing, and we made each one. In addition, the old tires on the van probably only had 10,000 miles left on them, so we got most of the life out

Praises

- We are back at the Acres after our trip to the Pacific Northwest
- Jayme's summer work program is nearly half over and we get to see her for a week in August
- Bryan's Dad and Stepmom spent a long weekend with us here in MO
- Owen began his new medication and so far we haven't noticed any negative side effects
- Sally is sitting up and starting to scoot on her belly

Prayer Requests

- Salvation for our children who are not yet saved
- Sally to get back into a better sleep schedule - changing time zones was hard on her
- Owen's insurance to approve a new canopy for his enclosed bed
- Wisdom as we complete the paperwork to file for guardianship for Owen since he's now 17
- For safety working during the hot summer
- The health and safety of the dear saints at Missionary Acres
- Additional staff members to join the Missionary Acres team, especially those with construction experience
- For more work groups to schedule (and the ones that are scheduled to arrive without any problems)
- To complete the remodel project for the Langdon family so they can move out of temporary housing

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of the old tires. And, thanks to the generous love offerings of the churches we visited on this trip, all the funds we needed to purchase new tires were available to us. Not that we wanted to spend the money that way, but praise God, we weren't stuck putting these purchases on a credit card or having to call others for help.

Even as we were a little frustrated going through the situation, we couldn't help but think, God is so good, this could have been a much worse. We have been so blessed through all our travels, even this trip with the problems.

True, we do the best we can to have our vehicles checked regularly and we keep up on the normal maintenance. But having worked in the automotive industry, I can promise you that there are no guarantees when traveling. Things just go bad or break sometimes. But God has spared us from a lot of potential problems along the way, and we are so thankful for that.

One of the last messages I preached during this trip was from James 1. Verses 2 and 3 say, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience."

We got to try this out on our trip home. And you know what, in an odd kind of way, we did find a lot of joy in our struggle this trip. I know that might seem like a small thing given some of the challenges others are going through, but it was a real trial for us, and God took care of us the entire time. Praise God.

We also came home to a refrigerator that had lost power (we assume for a month or so) and a broken washing machine. But God took care of those things as well. We really do serve a mighty Savior!

Missionary Acres Update

We are back working at Missionary Acres again. Last week was a good example of you never know what you are going to work on. Bryan replaced a small ramp for a resident, diagnosed a screen door issue, repaired a frost free faucet, cleaned ditches, pulled wire between two buildings, wired one of the buildings, had Jeffrey help cut some low tree limbs across the property (to make mowing easier), made repairs to a shower, moved some equipment around, trimmed some weeds, mowed a section grass next to the highway, and performed some other small maintenance around the property.

The staff is working on a remodel and a new construction still this year. We have a couple additional work teams scheduled this year. Please pray that we can make some real progress on the projects, but also pray for safety as it gets hotter, as we will have a lot of folks working in different areas. We have some trees around the property that are rotting and should be removed. It is dangerous cutting down trees when the base is deteriorating. As we work on these types of tasks – and others too – please pray the God will keep us safe.

Tanner Family Update

We were blessed to have Bryan's Dad and Stepmom over for a visit during Father's Day. What a blessing it is to connect with family. The kids had a lot of fun with the grandparents and are already asking when we can go to Texas and see them. Now we are working towards getting into a normal summer routine.

It has been a challenging month for our family, but God... We have a lot to be thankful for. We thank each of you for praying with us, and for us, as we go through this journey. We thank God for each and everyone of you. And we thank you.

~ Bryan & Lisa Tanner & Family