CURRENT NEEDS LIST

- Disposable Plates  
- Mr. Clean
- Lysol Spray  
- Toilet Paper
- Bodywash  
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Shaving Cream  
- Paper Towels
- Apple Juice (no sugar added)
- Lysol Cleaner  
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Deodorant Spray (boys and girls)

THANK YOU!

Note: Our needs list is at www.galileanhome.org/get-involved.

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Latest Updates

I t is a beautiful sunny spring day here in Kentucky with a temperature of 70 degrees. But wait a minute...it is not a spring day in spite of what the weather is. It is February 4th and this is Kentucky, not Alabama or Georgia. Since before Christmas, our weather has been "spring-like." As I said last month, on Christmas day it was 70 degrees. Now, I was born at night but that wasn’t last night and I know what February can bring us. A few years ago we had an ice storm which put electric out in our area for two weeks and that was mid-February.

Anyway, many moons ago, on February 14th we had one of our boys pass away. His name was Tommy. We had just received 10-12 inches of snow. The ambulance could not even think of getting off Hwy 127 and traveling the hills before getting to the Galilean Home. I loaded Tommy in my dad’s truck and transported him down to the main highway, where the ambulance was waiting for me. As things happened, Tommy passed away that day. In order to transport him to the Home where we would have his funeral, the county had to send a road grader to clear the snow in order for the hearse to get to the Galilean Home.

So, February can be a funny, fickle month here in our parts. Believe it or not, I have not seen a single snowflake so far this winter. Because of the spring weather, there has been no school days missed due to snow or ice.

Speaking of school, our school attendance is right about 91%. We have seven young high school boys and one girl attending school and boarding here who are from the Bahamas Islands in the Caribbean. One boy and the girl’s parents, who are ministers, serve as house parents.

We have been blessed with more VS girls lately who come to volunteer for three months. Two girls arrived a week ago from Pennsylvania, one from New York and one from Ohio to serve a three-month volunteer service. Also arriving at the end of February is a team of VS girls from PA for two weeks to help with any work that is available. All the above girls are either Methodists or Amish. Our VS girls have always been the backbone of the Ministry. Really, without them, we could not function; I would never be able to estimate how many we have had over the decades and of course we get coreant help in as well as the girls.

OK, I get a lot of questions like this one. Jerry, how is your health? For a man who is just a little shy of 82 years, I think I can say my general health is like a 20-year-old man. But that would not be the truth as I won’t say that although I already did. After a six month battle with Cellulitis of my left foot, I can say it 100%, and as you read on back, 99.9% healed, but it took a long time to heal. Because of the strong antibiotics I was on, I did not have much of an appetite and ended up losing 30 pounds that I didn’t really need to lose. Now on this Thursday I have an appointment with my orthopedist.
surgeon and will need to make a big decision. Three years ago (maybe four) he told me he needed a total reverse shoulder replacement for my left shoulder. Well, I don’t do it as I didn’t have Sandy telling me I had to do it. But on her past birthday, Nov. 9, I fell in the parking lot of the Board of Life Café and landed entirely on my left shoulder which did not help my condition at all. Well anyway, by the time this newsletter is read, I will know what my plan will be in regards to my shoulder problem. Other than that I could say I am in pretty good shape for the shape I’m in.

Another thing I have been wrestling with is writing a book. I have had a lot of folks asking why I don’t write a book. Remember Sandy wrote two books. But it was easy for her. Our school secretary who has worked in our school for almost 27 years said she would help me with it. She would be ideal for the job. She would proof read it as it was written. The whole book would be about my adventures in Honduras. I have been there 38 times and I know I have more experiences on those trips than one book would cover. If I do it, it needs to be done ASAP while I still have a good memory of all that happened. Some funny, some serious, some dangerous, some life threatening, some sad, on and on and on! If I decide to do it, it will be a major undertaking, but if Sandy can write two books why can’t I? I’ll probably title it “My Happenings in Honduras.”

GET INVOLVED

Our volunteer program is a good way to give in and be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community. Women are very important part of what we do. You may be a part of our Saturday Bible study and other members of our team are working with our girls at the Angel House. We also need to raise our funds for our scholarship fund in the Blessing House, and other members of our team are working with us as we work in Honduras.

Please consider this and give our Volunteer Coordinator, Dawn Shulte, a call at 406.704.9457 or email her at dshulte@Gallieeanhome.org for more info.

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or something similar. Stay tuned for my decision. I’ll have a day or two of next month’s newsletter (March),

I have been highlighting some of our children every month. I just did Rosal, James and Elizabeth. Today, I will touch on George a little. George will be 50 this year and has been here for almost 36 years. His only handicap is he is mentally challenged to the age of about a 10-year-old. But if you arrive here and have a lot of anything to unload, he will jump in without being told and tackle the job. He is very obedient and never gives us trouble.

Also as I write, I hear the skid loader running as our men and a good friend from Indiana are working on the total renovation of the Blessing House. Mr. Jeffery is a building contractor and has spent a lot of time helping here over the years.

Remember all the Blessing House children, 22 of them, have been moved up to the Butchis House while construction continues on the Blessing House.

Some more good news! Just yesterday we received a $20,000.00 donation to install a new 300W generator at the Butchis House. Up until now that building did not have any backup electric and the 70W generator that is a supporter paid for should be here any day soon and installed as backup for the entire school, gym, school dining room and kitchen.

To say this is a busy place, would be the understatement of the century. Just stop by and say for yourself, never a dull moment. Lots of activity as it has been for many decades.

The only one missing is Worn and her people is everywhere. She made such a big impact on everything she was involved in that I find myself talking about her sometimes. She is everywhere.

She is the Gallieean Home. Now, all of this activity and business is only possible because of all the people who stand with us, some for 40 years or more. Being a non-profit 501(c)3 charity keeps us on our toes all the time. We have tremendous people working for us that help carry this huge load with the school, Board of Life Cafe, Trading Post, Angel House, Blessing House, gift’s store, etc.

We have 140 employees, including four great girls in the office. Of those, I have been with us 20 years. The office staff keeps things running smoothly, and their largest, most consuming job is keeping Papa’ Osas in line (that’s me, Papa’ Osa is Spanish for “daddy bear”).

Notice, if you’re interested in helping out in child care, kitchen duties, construction work or just hanging out, call Dawn at 406-797-4697 and she will lead you in the right direction.

Stop in anytime, even the midnight hour, and pull up a chair and we can reminisce about the “good ole days”. Remember them? I do.

Jerry, Dad, Papa’ Osa and Papa’ Osa

We would be honored to have someone come and share about our ministry with your church or organization.

Call 406.704.9452. Jerry is available on a limited schedule.

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