Greetings! We are living in unprecedented times, but to God be all the glory! I pray that in every way you may succeed and prosper and be in good health [physically and emotionally], just as I hope your soul prospers [spiritually]. John 2

I’ll be honest, I’ve never pastored a church or led a Christian Academy through a pandemic; but I suppose none of us have. I am certain this pandemic has caused some unique struggles for you, too. Thankfully, God is with us (Mt 1:23)! Through Christ, we will prevail and be stronger than ever. Hold on. DO NOT PANIC! This, too, shall pass. The Bible says, “For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.” Ps 30:5

As it concerns our Academy, we have followed closely to the guidelines set by our Governor and local county school board. So, as it is with most schools right now, we are not permitted to conduct person to person, in-class instruction. Our public school board implemented what are called NTI (Non-Traditional Instruction) days. This means, although the students are not on campus, they are still doing their studies from home and won’t have to make those days up in the summer. Thank God for that! Our Academy has never had to implement NTI days, so I had to create a system of off-campus instruction from scratch. It has been a daunting task, but I’ll have to admit, I have enjoyed the challenge. We have learned much through this dark season.

Our teachers are on call Monday-Friday, from 9:00-1:00 pm. They are making lesson plans for their students, contacting parents, tutoring over the phone and through video messaging systems. The students’ book work and tests are being scanned, or captured by camera, and then emailed, text, or sent to the Academy through an assortment of technological venues. Thanks to our advanced myschoolworx platform (a 100% cloud-based school management & parent communications app), all of our students’ grades and lessons can be submitted by their teachers and accessed by their parents with just a few clicks on a screen. It isn’t the same as being in the classroom, but we’re making the most of this very difficult time.

I am thankful to have such an incredible staff surrounding me. They have offered their input and advice, and as a team, we are moving forward with excellence and success. I am also thankful for Brother Jerry and Merv/Becky Martin’s unwavering support. May God bless them and their efforts to further Christ’s kingdom.

The Galilean Christian Academy offers an amazing education to children from all walks of life. Many of our students were chewed up and spit out by the larger public school system. The Galilean has given them a home and made them feel loved and valuable. It would be impossible to quantify the value of this Christian learning center. It is a beacon of hope in a dark world! Please, pray for us and, if God lays it on your heart to help us financially, feel free to do so.

Warm Regards,
David Lamb, Principal
Galilean Christian Academy

A Message From Our Principal
Another big blow to our existence is our ‘No Visitor’ policy. Remember, we are a faith based ministry and have been since the beginning and have always welcomed visitors.

We are also facing many other challenges. And for work teams, we usually host various work teams from all over the US, mostly during summer months. But they fall under the category of “visitors” so we have put a pause on them for now.

Our Blessing House renovation has also had to come to a screeching halt during this time. If it wasn’t for the current situation, we would have made leaps in progress toward this much needed renovation. And if all of the above had not happened, our largest and most vital situation would not even be an issue. But with the millions upon millions of people being laid off from coast to coast, our financial condition has been hit like never before.

Our volunteer program is a good way to dive in and be the hands and feet of Jesus in our ministry. Ladies 18 & older, if you feel you have the love and patience along with a good amount of flexibility to care for our family, we encourage you to apply. Volunteers are very important part of what we do. You get to care for our severely handicapped residents in the Blessing House, and other members of our family, as well as caring for our babies at the Angel House. We also need teacher’s aides for our academy, so there are plenty of areas in which to serve. We provide housing and basic needs, but do require at least a three-month commitment.

Please prayerfully consider this and give our Volunteer Coordinator, Dawn Shultz, a call at 606.706.4577 or email her at dshultz@galileanhome.org for more info.

GET INVOLVED

We have an email list! If you would like to sign up, go to our website at www.galileanhome.org or our Facebook page at facebook.com/GalileanChildrensHome.

MOM’S BOOKS

You can get both of Sandy’s books for just $20. *Faith, Hope and Room for One More* and *Precious in His Sight*

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When the going gets tough...the tough get going. We have a lot of hard working, Christian people who work for us, some for 30 years or more. We will roll up our sleeves and tackle the latest problem like we have done for over 40 years. Someday we will tell our grandchildren all about the coronavirus that swept over the world in 2020, and how this pandemic has affected the Galilean Home and other areas of our ministry. Our second hand store, The Liberty Trading Post, in Liberty had to close with the rest of the non-essential businesses. However, it was an essential part of the income here at the Galilean Home as well as six employees. The outlet for our overload of donations is a tremendous blessing to those around us in supplying secondhand supplies for the Liberty community.

Mom had started the business back in 1995. Over the years we were able to purchase the building (it was once a Kite-aid) and were able to even pay the mortgage off. The largest impact on our lives was the “No dining inside” allowed at the Bread of Life Café. We are only allowed to do carry-out orders and deliveries. This was a huge blow to our financial situation and a big dent to the local community. Since 1995, we have established ourselves as a premier place to eat and serve an average of 3,000 customers per week (and that’s with being closed on Sundays).

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