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Dear Friends,

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May is always a difficult month for me and my family. Mercifully, our annual reminder of my son, Joshua's, death is past now and we can say that we did experience God's blessings this month, as always. For one thing, **we are thankful** that our Board of Directors meeting went well. The members received extensive reports on our activities in 2023 and seemed pleased. I always receive a **personal blessing** as I prepare such reports because I am reminded of all the ways God uses our ministry from year to year. **We are involved in helping so many people that I forget many of the projects we completed earlier in the year.** Our Board members and I are excited about being used by the Lord as much as possible in 2024. Of course, your continued financial support and prayers are what will make that possible. **Thank you so much for your faithfulness to Baca Valley Ministries.**

## Supplies for 5 days of VBS at Baca Valley Church in India



## Students received two meals in between studies with the Pastor



## Pastor Joseph's wife, Sunitha, was also one of the teachers



**We thank the Lord for Lansing Baptist Church.** They gave \$500 to sponsor 5 days of VBS in India. Three days were held at the Baca Valley Church and two days at one of the local satellite churches. The students were fed breakfast and lunch daily, studied English and the Bible, and received certificates and small gifts. **Please continue to pray for Pastor Joseph, his family, the ministry in Andhra Pradesh, and a visa for me to visit again soon.**

**Thank you for praying** for Pastor Aris in Philippines. The church there celebrated its 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary this month. We were able to help with the celebration and with construction of a fence across the front of the facility. We also **thank Sewell Valley Baptist Church** for again giving \$240 to sponsor another month of children's feeding stations in Philippines. Lord willing, Pastor Aris will visit us in USA in July for three months. There is a possibility that his wife, Connie, will be allowed to come with him. Before that, at the end of June, Brother Aris is planning to hold his annual VBS (in two parts, like last year). He is expecting 250 students at the main church and then 100 students in San Fabian where he is starting a daughter church. \$4 is needed for expenses of each child. **Please continue to pray for these needs:** \$1000 for VBS #1, \$400 for VBS #2, plane tickets for Brother Aris and his wife, \$1500 to construct fence on two sides of the church property, \$700 to install soffit on the parsonage, and \$7000 to buy a used van for the youth ministry. I know- WOW- that is a lot! I am a witness, though- for as long as I have known him, Aris Alfonso has not been afraid to trust God extensively, and the Lord has provided extensively (including his current church building and parsonage).

**Please continue to pray** for Israel and Ukraine. **We praise God** that \$6400 was again sent this month to Ukraine for humanitarian aid. We are not sure how long we can keep on helping at this level. **Much, much, much prayer is needed on Ukraine's behalf.** Starting on June 15, a Peace Summit will be held in Switzerland. More than 80 countries are planning to attend. President Zelensky has prepared a short video (6 minutes) where he talks about destruction in Ukraine and the need for such a summit. He is hoping that Russia will pay more attention to this large group of leaders than it has to Ukraine alone. President Zelensky is particularly asking the USA and China to get involved. You can watch the video on youtube [ToTheLeaders YT UkrSubs \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/ToTheLeadersYTUkrSubs). I think you will be interested. In any case, **please pray** for this summit.

In the name of Jesus, your grateful brother,

*Franklin Tuck Jr.*

*"Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee... who passing through the valley of Baca maketh it a well." Psalm 84: 5-6*

Projects	Needed	Each	Sponsor	Work
<b>Grounds, office building, and garage</b>				
1. Plant 10 willow trees along creek, erect 7 flag poles/flags of each country we work in, install dusk to dawn light at front of property, build wall around flag pole area for flower beds, fill flower bed with soil, install electrical supply to garage, paint outside of garage, replace garage doors, replace window in garage, replace roof on garage, update office computer, buy cordless telephone system, build new front porch on office building, paint outside of office building, build 2 bathrooms in office building, connect office building to sewer system, install drywall/electrical receptacle/shelving in office storeroom, install skirting around office building, buy new laptop for deputation, increase storage space in office, install laminate floor in office, buy new projector for deputation, buy refrigerator for office, buy microwave for office, install air conditioner/electric furnace/water heater in office, replace roof on office		<b>Total cost= \$20,500</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Pour concrete sidewalk from driveway to front porch	<b>2</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Replace windows in office	<b>2</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Replace floor in office	<b>1</b>			
5. Change drywall in office	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
6. Install vinyl siding on office	<b>1</b>			
7. Install floodlights for individual flags	<b>7</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
8. Install vinyl siding on garage	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1160</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
<b>Chapel</b>				
1. Finish electrical supply	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Finish vinyl siding	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
3. Power wash siding outside and block walls inside after flood	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
4. Install 2x4 studs to plumb upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Install wiring and receptacles	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
6. Install insulation in upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
7. Install light fixtures upstairs	<b>2</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
8. Install drywall on upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$350</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
9. Paint upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
10. Install insulation in roof	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
11. Install ceiling tiles upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
12. Install sub-floor upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
13. Install flooring upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$400</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
14. Install floor tiles upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
15. Paint downstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
16. Install light fixtures downstairs	<b>2</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
17. Replace roof	<b>1</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>		
<b>Joshua Tuck Memorial</b>				
1. Plant "Joshua's Tree"	<b>1</b>	<b>\$800</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Build stone wall	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Plant small flower garden	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Install memorial plaque	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Install bench	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Picnic &amp; Entertainment Pavilion</b>				
1. Bulldoze/Excavate area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1000</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Pour concrete in picnic & entertainment area (4 sections)	<b>4</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Erect picnic shelter (3 sections)	<b>3</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Build picnic tables	<b>30</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Erect entertainment area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Church construction- Andhra Pradesh, India</b>				
1. Foundation and pillars, sub-floor, walls, beams & roof, electric system, plumbing & water system, windows, doors, sanctuary chairs, pulpit, sound system, bathroom tile and fixtures		<b>\$17,625</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Road	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Labor & finishing touches	<b>1</b>	<b>\$2400</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
4. Church vehicle	<b>1</b>	<b>?</b>		
5. Install baptistry	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
<b>Church construction, Pangasinan, Philippines</b>				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, electrical system, plumbing, water system, windows, doors, ceiling, floor tiles, soffit		<b>Total = \$11,000</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Partition off 2 rooms (Zaldy & storage) in fellowship area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
3. Build fence both sides of property	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>		
<b>Parsonage construction, Pangasinan, Philippines</b>				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, windows, doors, ceilings, paint, electrical system, plumbing, water pump, porch, garage, tiles		<b>\$10,350</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Finish soffit	<b>1</b>	<b>\$700</b>		