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Dear Friends,

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Well, we are off to an **exciting start of a new year**. My wife and I did finish the holiday season with our children and grandchildren gathered at our house to share great food and special love for each other. Only Isaiah and his wife, Jessie, were missing. They were busy delivering our ninth grandchild, Isaiah Avery Tuck. **The Lord has blessed me with simply a wonderful family**. As I often say, the best things in my life were gifts from God and not of my doing. I especially could not have endured this year's health problems without back-up from my wife and children. From buying me a lift chair, to taking me to doctor appointments, to putting shingles on my roof, to cleaning up my messes, to cooking my favorite sweet potato casserole, to sharing tears of pain, **they have supported me faithfully**. And now there is light at the end of the tunnel. **Beginning February 11, Lord willing**, I will be treated by a specialist who can sedate me for needed procedures. **Please pray for mercy, safety, and success**.

Blessing of Christmas dinner with family lasts all year



Isaiah Avery 12/23/24



Children Christmas gifts



**Thank you for praying** for Pastor Joseph Nanneti and the Baca Valley Church in Andhra Pradesh, India. **Thank you for also praying** for Pastor Aris Alfonso and the Bethesda Independent Baptist Church in Urbiztondo, Philippines. **With help from Big Sewell Baptist Church**, Brother Aris was able to give Christmas gifts to 238 children in the main church and 98 children in the satellite church location. **With help from Sewell Valley Baptist Church** the youth group continued to carry out weekly feeding stations in 15 locations, including the satellite church. **We thank God** that the Joshua Tuck Scholarship Fund was able to cover another semester of Bible college for Sister Camille Neves. She will be finishing her third year already. We also added \$20 to \$40 that was collected for Annalois Alfonso. Annalois has resumed her college studies in Philippines and is doing well. **Please continue to pray** for Annalois, Camille, and the ongoing projects that Brother Aris is working on. Aris' congregation gave \$1,000 to finish soffit on the parsonage. Now he is **praying for** \$1,500 to finish fencing in the church lot; \$7,000 to build onto the front entrance; \$20,000 to buy a lot in San Fabian; and \$12,000 to build the daughter church.

**Thank you for praying** for all the church workers and all our other friends in Ukraine. **We thank God** that we were able to send more than \$3,000 humanitarian aid to the three churches in Ukraine at the end of December. This was **miraculous** because the pledge for monthly donations of that amount ran out in November. We are **praying** for that donor to resume helping Ukraine in 2025. We were able to still send our usual amount because of the generosity of a retired couple who live near Chicago. They have given many thousands of dollars to Ukraine since the beginning of the war. Now it is time to send whatever money we can for the humanitarian work that will be done in February. **We are hoping** that between the couple just mentioned, and several other donors, we will be able to collect our usual gift of \$3,382 that the three churches in Poltava will need to work in February. Our ministry has one donor who regularly gives \$300/month to Ukraine. We see many greedy persons around us in society today, but there are still many generous, loving people also. **It is my privilege and joy** to work with such people through my ministry. **More good news-** the Salvation Church became involved with a ministry from Netherlands that delivers mobile housing to people whose homes were destroyed in the war. This ministry offered to donate and erect a two-story modular building in Poltava that would house about 25 families displaced by the war. The prerequisite was that Salvation Church would buy a plot of land, pour the necessary concrete pad, and pay for all utilities to be established. This preparation cost would be about \$40,000. **After much prayer**, the leaders of Salvation Church borrowed money to buy the land, and construction of the pad/ utilities/building is almost finished. **We thank God that \$5,000 was given** this month to help with this project. **Please pray** for payment of this debt.

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 garage window, 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, replace insulation/ceiling tiles in office		<b>Total cost=\$21,675</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 roof on office	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1500</b>	<b>Yes</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>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>		
3. Plant small flower garden	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>		
4. Install memorial plaque	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>		
5. Install bench	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</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>		
3. Erect picnic shelter (3 sections)	<b>3</b>	<b>\$750</b>		
4. Build picnic tables	<b>30</b>	<b>\$75</b>		
5. Erect entertainment area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</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, install baptistry		<b>\$18,375</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Road	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Church vehicle	<b>1</b>	<b>?</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, partition two rooms in fellowship area		<b>Total = \$11,500</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Build fence around entire 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>\$1,000</b>		